## Fiscal Year 2018 Department of Defense Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Program Reference Table of Award Mechanisms and Submission Requirements

Award Mechanism	Eligibility	Key Mechanism Elements	Funding	Submission Deadlines
Therapeutic Development Award Go to:  Program Announcement General Application Instructions Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: W81XWH-18-ALSRP-TDA	Independent investigators at all levels	<ul> <li>Pre-application is required; full application submission is by invitation only.</li> <li>Supports post-discovery, preclinical development of therapeutics for ALS</li> <li>Preliminary data, including identity and purity of an identified bioactive compound(s), are required</li> <li>Types of efforts that will be supported include:         <ul> <li>Confirmation of candidate therapeutics obtained from screening or by other means</li> <li>Validation of lead pharmacological agents up to IND submission</li> <li>Optimization of potency and pharmacology, studies of formulation, stability, and production methods based on Good Manufacturing Practices</li> <li>Investigational New Drug (IND)-enabling studies</li> </ul> </li> <li>Collaboration with industry is encouraged</li> <li>Clinical trials are not allowed</li> <li>Does not support screening or development of screens or models</li> <li>New! The following option, with additional funding for qualified applications, is being offered:</li> <li>Therapeutically Relevant Marker Option supports development of markers that will improve the drug development process in parallel with the main therapeutic advancement effort.</li> <li>Applicants must submit a Therapeutically Relevant Marker Statement that clearly describes how the marker is quantifiable and has potential to improve the efficacy of the therapy development process.</li> <li>Application to this option is not a requirement for TDA submission</li> </ul>	Maximum period of performance is 2 years.  Maximum funding of \$1,000,000 for direct costs for the standard award.  Maximum funding of \$1,250,000 for direct costs for submissions under the Therapeutically Relevant Marker Option  Indirect costs may be proposed in accordance with the institution's negotiated rate agreement.	Pre-Application (Preproposal): June 22, 2018 5:00 p.m. Eastern time Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.  Application: October 11, 2018 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time

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		A TDA application requesting the higher level of funding that does meet the specified criteria may be funded at the lower level		
Therapeutic Idea Award Go to:  Program Announcement General Application Instructions Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: W81XWH-18-ALSRP-TIA	Independent investigators at all levels	Pre-application is required; full application submission is by invitation only.  Supports new ideas aimed at ALS drug or treatment discovery that are still in the early stages of development  Preliminary data are not required  Types of efforts that will be supported include:  Exploitation of pathways known to be relevant to ALS for the purpose of improving treatment and/or advancing a novel treatment modality  Development, modification, and use of novel high-throughput screens and model systems to define or assess lead compounds  Projects that focus primarily on investigating the pathophysiology of ALS are outside of the scope of this announcement Characterization of mechanisms for the purpose of identifying new targets is outside of	Maximum period of performance is 2 years.     Maximum funding of \$500,000 for direct costs.     Indirect costs may be proposed in accordance with the institution's negotiated rate agreement.	Pre-Application (Preproposal): June 22, 2018 5:00 p.m. Eastern time Preproposal is required; Application submission is by invitation only.  Application: October 11, 2018 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time

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