
Solutions for Environmental Exposure-influenced Disease (Seed)

Program Application Guidelines

The application should include the following sections:

Cover Page (1pg)

- Title
- Contact PI (Include: organization, department/division, address, email, phone number)
- Co-investigators (including name of mentor if the mentor is not the PI or Co-PI)

Relationship of proposed research to the IEHS mission (1pg)

Project Summary/Abstract (30 lines of text)

Project Narrative (Three sentences)

Specific aims (1pg)

State concisely the goals of the proposed research and summarize expected outcome(s). Discuss the impact that the results of the proposed research will exert on the IEHS research mission, as well as plans for future extramural grant applications (include funding agency) based on the proposed pilot work.

Research Strategy (5pgs)

- Approach – Describe the overall strategy, methodology, and analyses to be used to accomplish the specific aims of the project. Address potential problems, alternative strategies, and benchmarks for success anticipated to achieve the aims.
- Significance & Innovation – Outline what is significant about this proposal and approach. Explain how the proposed project will improve scientific knowledge, technical capability, and/or environmental health solutions.

Budget Justification (1pg)

Review criteria

A review committee will examine each application for:

- Significance of the work
- Novelty/innovation of the research idea
- Soundness of the methods
- Relevance of the proposed work to address environmental health *solutions*
- A genuine multidisciplinary team and/or new collaboration being formed
- Potential for the project to lead to future external funding or a commercialization opportunity
- Feasibility of the project goals being accomplished within the one-year project period

We invite you to submit recommendations for one or two reviewers who hold expertise in the focus area of your application to complement our peer review process. These reviewers must be outside of UNC and have no conflicts (specifically, no collaboration on manuscripts and/or grant submissions in the past 5 years).

Applicants are limited to two submissions (an original submission and one resubmission) per application. Resubmissions should include a 1 page “Resubmission Summary” section, detailing amendments and improvements to the original application.

Please submit the completed application by **the date specified in the RFA** to:

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Please include the RFA number in the subject line.