

AAID Foundation Research Grants Guidelines Tool

Use this tool to help you complete your application for an AAID Foundation Grant.

I. PURPOSE

The American Academy of Implant Dentistry Foundation (AAIDF) Research Grants Program is intended to provide limited support for meritorious dental implant research projects which includes, but are not limited to the following purposes:

- To conduct research that determines the feasibility of a larger research project.
- To develop and test new techniques and procedures.
- To conduct small clinical or animal research projects.
- To analyze grant data.

II. ELIGIBILITY

Investigators from any scientific discipline whose research projects relate to dental implantology and are at any stage of their career may apply for a grant. These grant awards are also appropriate for those changing areas of research fields to dental implant research or resuming research careers.

Applicants for a Large grant may request up to \$25,000 to fund a project for up to a two-year grant period. Successful applicants who require additional time to perform the proposed research may request an extension of the grant period without additional monetary support. The grant is nonrenewable. However, grantees under this program are encouraged to apply for a regular Research Project Grant to a Federal agency, e.g., the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation, the Veterans Administration, or the Department of Defense, to maintain continuity in their studies.

Students are eligible for a grant award up to \$2,000 for research projects. Funding for approved projects (up to \$2,000 requested) will begin in January of the following year. An additional \$500 payment for travel reimbursements to an Annual Meeting to present project findings may be requested after the project is completed.

The Foundation reserves first right of refusal on all papers resulting from the approved/funded project.

III. REVIEW AND AWARD

A review committee with representation from academic, clinical and research oral implantology will determine the overall quality and scientific merit of each grant application. Applications will be evaluated in accordance with the NIH Enhanced Score Review Criteria:

- Significance and scientific merit of the proposed project;
- Characterization as an innovative and/or pilot project that provides a basis for more extended research;
- Applicant's potential for carrying out the project;
- Qualifications and background of the investigator;
- Contribution of the investigator to the field of implant research and
- Adequacy of the justifications presented for budget requests.

A Grant evaluation process will take place in Summer/Fall of the grant application year, and all applications will be brought to the AAID Foundation Board of Directors for final approval. Grant Award Winners will be notified in December of the grant application year. Funding of approved projects will begin with the first of four installments in January of the following year.

How to Apply

Grant applications to the AAID Foundation are accepted through an online program. You will need to prepare supporting documentation so the files are ready to upload when you begin the application. Documents should be uploaded in PDF format. All required documents must be uploaded to the application prior to the deadline. The deadline for grant submission is updated yearly and is listed on the AAIDF webpage.

Please plan plenty of time to complete this application and upload all required documentation.

Grant Timeline Process

- The deadline for grant submission is listed on the AAIDF grants webpage. Late applications will not be accepted.
- Grant Award Winners will be notified in December of the application year, and awards will be distributed beginning in January of the following year.
- The grant is distributed in four equal installments across the two-year grant period.
- Before the final installment is issued the grantee must supply full expenditures and grant narrative reports.

Application Tasks & Required Documentation

In order to apply for an AAID Foundation Research Grant, you will be required to provide information on your institution or program, the personnel involved in the principal investigation, and a complete project proposal. You will complete the following application categories before sending in your submission:

1. Eligibility

In this section, you will tell us more about what your goals are to determine if you are applying for a large grant, or a student grant.

2. Applicant Information

Here you will identify the Principal Investigator (PI) for your project and enter his/her credentials and contact information. You will be required to upload the PI's curriculum vitae (CV).

3. University/Institution Information

You will be required to enter your University or Institution's information, including:

- mailing or facility address,
- administrative contact for grant disbursements, and
- tax affiliation number (if you have it).

4. Key Personnel

In this section, you can add up to 4 additional collaborators, or indicate that you are working alone on the project. You may upload CVs for your collaborators as a part of this task.

5. Research Project Details and Explanation

You will provide a title, abstract and detailed explanation of your research project and objectives. Your abstract should be no more than 500 words. Your detailed explanation should address:

- Specific Aims (no more than one page),
- Significance of the Project in terms of long-term objectives, and
- Experimental Designs and Methods used (no more than 10 pages)
- Expected Project Timeline

Lastly, you will upload a complete bibliography (use MAM manual style format, 10th edition).

Disclosure of Additional Support

Here you will indicate whether or not you are receiving additional support for your project. Disclose any additional support you and/or your colleagues have or are expecting to receive. Include all Federal, non-Federal, and institutional grant and contract support. This includes but is not limited to:

- 1. active support,
- 2. applications and proposals pending review or funding, and
- 3. applications and proposals planned or being prepared for submission.

Project Budget

You will complete the 2024 AAIDF Research Grant Project Budget Proposal Form and submit along with your application. This can be accessed on the AAIDF website or downloaded straight from the online program and uploaded along with other required documentation.