



Request for Preproposals

Northwest Regional Center of Excellence for Biodefense and Emerging Infectious Diseases

Investigator - Research Project

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The NWRCE is an NIAID/NIH funded research center dedicated to the development of scientific knowledge, datasets, and countermeasures against biothreat agents and emerging or re-emerging infectious diseases. The NWRCE is part of a national network of eleven such centers with related missions. Each center consists of multiple investigators leading individual research projects which work synergistically to advance the aims of the center and national program. Currently, the NWRCE is looking to add another investigator and project to its center.

The NWRCE focuses on three key areas; Gram-negative pathogenesis, innate immunity, and product development/advancement. Current projects conduct research on one or more of these areas, and are supported by five technical cores (nwrce.org). Organisms eligible for study are the NIAID class A – C priority pathogens (select agent research at the University of Washington can be supported at the NWRCE's central laboratory).

At this point, preproposals are being accepted for review. In one to two pages, applicants should describe a research plan that is compatible with the mission of the NWRCE and integrates well with existing projects and cores. Proposals should provide details of the first year of study of a project of up to three years in scope, with direct costs of \$200,000 - \$300,000 per year. Also include a current NIH Biosketch. Promising applicants will be invited to submit full proposals.

Web resources:

NWRCE:
nwrce.org

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<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/LABSANDRESOURCES/RESOURCES/RCE/Pages/introduction.aspx>

Category A – C priority pathogens:

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov/topics/biodefenserelated/biodefense/research/pages/cata.aspx>

Submit electronic applications to:

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