

ASFA Intramural Research Funding Program

Application for Funding

Introduction

As part of its 2018-2021 Strategic Plan, ASFA would like to enhance its research infrastructure and activity. ASFA also recognizes the difficulty its members have in obtaining funding for research projects related to apheresis from other sources. To this end, ASFA is pleased to announce a funding opportunity for research projects conducted by its Committees and Subcommittees.

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The ASFA Intramural Researching Funding Program (AIR-FP) seeks to support research projects conducted by ASFA Committees and Subcommittees that will enhance the development of ASFA's research infrastructure and capacity. ASFA has designated up to \$32,000 to deploy through this intake and expects to support four projects at \$8,000 each.

Example project activities include, but are not necessarily limited to the following:

- Expenses related to enhancing participation in a registry study
- Clinical research assistant time to with project-related activities such as IRB applications, patient enrollment and data entry
- Biostatistical and data analysis support

Application Criteria & Evaluation

The applications must be sent on behalf of ASFA Committees or Subcommittees. The Project Leader must be a member of the submitting Committee or Subcommittee.

All applications meeting the eligibility criteria will be reviewed by a committee comprised of representatives of the ASFA Past Presidents Advisory Council, the Journal of Clinical Apheresis Editorial Board and the ASFA Allied Health Committee. The Review Committee will rank the applications in terms of funding priority.

The Review Committee will recommend the applications for funding to the ASFA Board of Directors. The ASFA Board of Directors will make the final approval of the funding decisions.

Review criteria will include, but will not necessarily be limited to, the ability of the project to:

1. Enhance ASFA's general research infrastructure
2. Foster networking among ASFA members interested in research
3. Provide a path for possible future funding from sources external to ASFA

Project Accountability & Reporting

Brief status reports will be due twice annually, coinciding with in-person meetings of the ASFA Board of Directors at the ASFA Annual Meeting (April/May) and in the Fall (October/ November). Reports will be submitted through the Chair of the ASFA Research Committee and are required for as long as the project is active.

ASFA will reimburse project costs upon submission of invoices and/or receipts by the project team. All reimbursements will be reviewed and approved by ASFA's Executive Director and ASFA's Treasurer. The project budget will be tracked by ASFA Head Office. It is expected that the projects costs will be incurred over no more than one year from the time of the final funding decision.

ASFA reserves the right to withhold reimbursement of project expenses if the expenses do not align to the approved project budget, or cancel further reimbursements if the project is not demonstrating progress towards its stated goals and objectives.

All requests for reimbursement for project expenses must be submitted by December 31, 2019.

Key Dates

- Application Deadline: September 21, 2018
- Review of Proposals: October 2018
- Notification of Outcome: November or December 2018

Application Submission

Please submit your application via email to asfa@apheresis.org by September 21, 2018 by 8:00pm Eastern Time.

Questions

If you have any questions regarding this opportunity please contact:

American Society for Apheresis
asfa@apheresis.org
604-484-2851

2018 AIR-FP Application Form

Project Leader Information

Name:

Title:

Institution:

Address:

City, State:

Institution:

ASFA Committee or Subcommittee:

Project Team

Please list all members of the Project Team in the table below and attach CVs for each team member to this application form.

Name	Institution

Project Description

Please describe in detail your project considering the following:

- What are the goals and objectives of the project?
- How will the successful completion of your project enhance and sustain ASFA's research infrastructure?
- Upon successful project to completion, what are the anticipated next steps along this line of research?
- How will your project be managed and how will members of the project team be held accountable?

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