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FLINN FOUNDATION Seed Grants to Promote Translational Research

APPLICATION OPENS: Aug. 1, 2024

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Benefits

- \$100,000 grant over 18 months.
- Opportunity to compete for follow-on funding.
- Membership on Arizona's Bioscience Roadmap Steering Committee.
- Connections with research and industry experts.
- Quarterly check-ins and workshops on product development and commercialization.
- Referrals to programs and resources.

Eligibility

- PI must be employed by Arizona-based, nonprofit academic- or medicalresearch institution or health system.
- Proposed product and/or process must address a clearly defined, compelling clinical need.
- Project team must have blend of skills (e.g., scientific, clinical, engineering, business, regulatory) to meet proposal goals.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Sept. 26, 2024



"We recognize that even highly experienced research teams encounter challenges, and we're dedicated to supporting their success. The Flinn Foundation offers funding, guidance, and essential connections to help elevate our state's most promising projects."

Tammy McLeod, Ph.D. PRESIDENT AND CEO, FLINN FOUNDATION

"The Flinn seed award was instrumental in allowing us to advance our screening for a lead compound for our first in class COPD therapeutic. Along with their advice and encouragement, we are on our way towards translation with the formation of our new company."

Julie Ledford, Ph.D. UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA



How to apply

Apply at **flinn.org/seedgrants**. Application will require letter of support from Vice President of Research or their designee, project summary, and slide deck with required elements. PI must have, or be working with their institution on, an agreed path for licensing or ownership of the project's IP.

Proposals will be evaluated by an independent review committee of academic and industry experts appointed by the Flinn Foundation. Constructive feedback will be offered to applicants.

Diversity drives innovation. While diversity is often used in reference to race, ethnicity, and gender, we understand it to also include diversity in one's background, life experiences, skill set, and self-identification. We encourage all to apply. "We moved from what was a research project in an academic lab with no knowledge of the business or the regulatory aspects to a medtech startup with a credible pathway to market largely due to the support from the Flinn Foundation."

Jitendran Muthuswamy, Ph.D. ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY



Key dates

- Aug. 1, 2024: Application opens
- Aug. 8, 2024: Applicant info session on Zoom
- Aug. 22, 2024: Virtual
 office hours
- Sept. 19, 2024: Virtual office hours
- Sept. 26, 2024: Application deadline (5 p.m.)
- **Mid-December 2024:** Grantee notification







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