

**Fiscal Year 2026 Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs  
Bone Marrow Failure Research Program (BMFRP)  
Reference Table of Award Mechanisms and Submission Requirements**

Award Mechanism	Eligibility	Key Mechanism Elements	Funding	Submission Deadline
<p><b>Idea Development Award</b></p> <p><b>Go to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program Announcement</li> <li>• General Application Instructions</li> </ul> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b> HT942526BMFRPIDA</p>	<p><b>Early-Career Investigators:</b> Independent investigators less than 10 years from their first appointment.</p> <p><b>Established Investigators:</b> Independent investigators 10 years or more from their first appointment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports innovative ideas and high-impact approaches based on scientifically sound evidence to move toward the vision to understand and cure bone marrow failure (BMF).</li> <li>• Research <b>must</b> address at least one of the FY26 BMFRP Focus Areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Find effective BMF treatments and cures</li> <li>○ Understand the causes and progression of BMF diseases</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Proposed research should include a well-formulated, testable hypothesis based on strong scientific rationale and evidence that the applicant can complete the proposed work.</li> <li>• Hypothesis-generating correlative studies to existing clinical trials/studies are <b>encouraged</b>.</li> <li>• Applications should describe the project's translational potential.</li> <li>• Preliminary data is allowed but <b>not required</b>.</li> <li>• <b>Clinical trials are not allowed.</b></li> <li>• <b>Preproposal submission is required; application submission is by invitation only.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The maximum allowable funding for the entire period of performance is <b>\$800,000</b> for total costs.*</li> <li>• The maximum period of performance is <b>3</b> years.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Preproposal):</b> August 5, 2026 5:00 p.m. Eastern time</p> <p><b>Application:</b> November 4, 2026 11:59 p.m. Eastern time</p>

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<p><b>Investigator-Initiated Research Award</b></p> <p><b>Go to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program Announcement</li> <li>• General Application Instructions</li> </ul> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b></p> <p>HT942526BMFRPIIRA</p>	<p>Independent investigators at all career levels.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports studies that further develop mature ideas, expand upon key discoveries, and advance research or patient care for individuals with BMF disease.</li> <li>• Research <b>must</b> address one of the following FY26 BMFRP Focus Areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Find effective BMF treatments and cures</li> <li>○ Understand the causes and progression of BMF diseases</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Emphasis on research approach and impact.</li> <li>• Correlative studies to existing clinical trials/studies <b>encouraged</b>.</li> <li>• The application should describe the project's translational potential.</li> <li>• Applications may propose studies enabling empirical, product-driven and product-focused accumulation of data to support an Investigational New Drug application to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.</li> <li>• <b>Partnering Principal Investigator (PI) Option:</b> Up to two investigators may collaborate on a single application, each of whom will be recognized as a PI and receive a separate award.</li> <li>• <b>Preliminary data is required.</b></li> <li>• <b>Clinical trials are not allowed.</b></li> <li>• <b>Preproposal submission is required; application submission is by invitation only.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The maximum allowable funding for the entire period of performance is <b>\$1,250,000</b> for total costs.*</li> <li>• The maximum period of performance is <b>3</b> years.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Preproposal):</b> August 5, 2026 5:00 p.m. Eastern time</p> <p><b>Application:</b> November 4, 2026 11:59 p.m. Eastern time</p>

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<p><b>Resource Development Award</b></p> <p><b>Go to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program Announcement</li> <li>• General Application Instructions</li> </ul> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b></p> <p>HT942526BMFRPRDA</p>	<p>Independent investigators at all career levels.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports the development of a multiomic atlas generated from well-annotated human BMF samples, with omic data derived from marrow specimens.</li> <li>• Research <b>must</b> address the following FY26 BMFRP Focus areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Develop durable resources for the BMF community</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Applications must demonstrate availability of and access to necessary data, human samples and/or cohort(s).</li> <li>• <b>Data resource sharing plan is required.</b></li> <li>• The resulting dataset should serve as an open-access, durable resource for the BMF research and clinical communities and is expected to facilitate key discoveries that advance the understanding of BMF diseases.</li> <li>• <b>Preliminary data is required.</b></li> <li>• <b>Clinical trials are not allowed.</b></li> <li>• <b>Submission of a letter of intent is required prior to full application submission.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The maximum allowable funding for the entire period of performance is <b>\$1,250,000</b> for total costs.*</li> <li>• The maximum period of performance is <b>2</b> years.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Letter of Intent):</b> October 7, 2026 5:00 p.m. Eastern time</p> <p><b>Application:</b> November 4, 2026 11:59 p.m. Eastern time</p>

\*Total costs include direct and indirect costs.