

***Fiscal Year 2021 Epilepsy Research Program (ERP)***  
***Reference Table of Award Mechanisms and Submission Requirements***

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<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></p> <p>W81XWH-21-ERP-IDA</p>	<p><b>Level I:</b> Investigators <b>at or above</b> the level of postdoctoral fellow (e.g., research associates, fellows, medical residents, or equivalent) but <b>below</b> the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent) at the time of the application submission deadline.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mentor(s) required.</li> </ul> <p><b>Level II:</b> The Principal Investigator (PI) must be an independent investigator <b>at or above</b> the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent) at the time of the application submission deadline.</p>	<p><b>Intent:</b> To solicit novel, innovative research to understand the magnitude and underlying mechanisms of post-traumatic epilepsy (PTE).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Level I:</b> Applicants can be from any field or discipline and must write the project narrative and other application components, with appropriate guidance from the mentor(s). The mentor(s) must possess qualifications, background, and experience in PTE research.</li> <li>• <b>Level II</b> is intended to support a more mature, hypothesis-driven research project. Applicants can be from any field or discipline.</li> </ul> <p><b>Applicants should select one of the Focus Areas below:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Innovative Research</li> <li>• Markers and Mechanisms</li> <li>• Epidemiology</li> <li>• Longitudinal Studies</li> </ul> <p><b>While not required, applications to either Funding Level I or II are encouraged to provide relevant preliminary data.</b></p> <p><b>Clinical pharmacologic trials are specifically discouraged.</b></p>	<p><b>Level I:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum funding of <b>\$300,000</b> for direct costs (plus indirect costs).</li> <li>• Maximum period of performance is <b>3</b> years.</li> <li>• Indirect costs may be proposed in accordance with the institution's rate agreement.</li> </ul> <p><b>Level II:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum funding of <b>\$500,000</b> for direct costs (plus indirect costs).</li> <li>• Maximum period of performance is <b>3</b> years.</li> <li>• Indirect costs may be proposed in accordance with the institution's rate agreement.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Letter of Intent):</b></p> <p>June 14, 2021 5:00 p.m. Eastern time (ET)</p> <p><b>Application:</b></p> <p>July 21, 2021 11:59 p.m. ET</p>

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<p><b>Quality of Life Award</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> W81XWH-21-ERP-QOL</p>	<p><b>Level I:</b> Investigators <b>at or above</b> the level of postdoctoral fellow (e.g., research associates, fellows, medical residents, or equivalent) but <b>below</b> the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent) at the time of the application submission deadline.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mentor(s) required.</li> </ul> <p><b>Level II:</b> The PI must be an independent investigator <b>at or above</b> the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent) at the time of the application submission deadline.</p>	<p><b>Intent:</b> To support research that better understands or improves the quality of life and care for individuals living with the symptoms of PTE, as related to the ERP’s mission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Level I:</b> Applicants can be from any field or discipline and must write the project narrative and other application components, with appropriate guidance from the mentor(s). The mentor(s) must possess qualifications, background, and experience in PTE research.</li> <li>• <b>Level II</b> is intended to support a more mature, hypothesis-driven research project. Applicants can be from any field or discipline.</li> </ul> <p><b>The following Focus Area must be addressed as part of the application:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quality of Life</li> </ul> <p><b>An application that proposes research outside of this Focus Area will be withdrawn.</b></p> <p><b>While not required, applications to either Funding Level I or II are encouraged to provide relevant preliminary data.</b></p> <p><b>Clinical pharmacologic trials are specifically discouraged.</b></p> <p><b>Animal research is prohibited.</b></p>	<p><b>Level I:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum funding of <b>\$300,000</b> for direct costs (plus indirect costs).</li> <li>• Maximum period of performance is <b>3</b> years.</li> <li>• Indirect costs may be proposed in accordance with the institution’s rate agreement.</li> </ul> <p><b>Level II:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum funding of <b>\$500,000</b> for direct costs (plus indirect costs).</li> <li>• Maximum period of performance is <b>3</b> years.</li> <li>• Indirect costs may be proposed in accordance with the institution’s rate agreement.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Letter of Intent):</b></p> <p>June 14, 2021 5:00 p.m. ET</p> <p><b>Application:</b></p> <p>July 21, 2021 11:59 p.m. ET</p>

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<p><b>Research Partnership Award:</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> W81XWH-21-ERP-RPA</p>	<p>The initiating PI must be an independent investigator <b>at or above</b> the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent) at the time of the application submission deadline.</p> <p>Each named Co-PI must be <b>at or above</b> the level of assistant professor (or equivalent) at the time of the application submission deadline.</p>	<p><b>Intent:</b> To create an avenue for collaborative research partnerships between/among investigators to address a research problem or question in a manner that would be unachievable through separate efforts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Level I</b> is intended to support preclinical or pre-validation research.</li> <li>• <b>Level II</b> is intended to support research that requires access to a patient cohort for a prospective study and must be the focus of the application.</li> </ul> <p><b>Applications must include clearly stated plans for interactions between/among the partners. The plans must include communication, decision-making, allocation of resources, coordination of research progress and results, and sharing of data among all investigators and organizations participating in the project.</b></p> <p><b>Applicants should select one of the Focus Areas below:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Markers and Mechanisms (Funding Level I only)</li> <li>• Epidemiology (Funding Level I only)</li> <li>• Longitudinal Studies (Funding Level II only)</li> </ul> <p><b>Preliminary data to support the feasibility of the research hypothesis (or hypotheses) or objectives are <i>required</i>.</b></p>	<p><b>Level I:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum funding of <b>\$1,300,000</b> in total costs.</li> <li>• Maximum period of performance is <b>3</b> years.</li> <li>• Indirect costs may be proposed in accordance with the institution's rate agreement.</li> </ul> <p><b>Level II:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum funding of <b>\$3,100,000</b> in total costs</li> <li>• Maximum period of performance is <b>4</b> years.</li> <li>• Indirect costs may be proposed in accordance with the institution's rate agreement.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Letter of Intent):</b> June 14, 2021 5:00 p.m. ET</p> <p><b>Application:</b> July 21, 2021 11:59 p.m. ET</p>

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