Fiscal Year 2021 Hearing Restoration Research Program (HRRP) Reference Table of Award Mechanisms and Submission Requirements

Award Mechanism	Eligibility	Key Mechanism Elements	Funding	Submission Deadline
Focused Research Award (FRA) Go to: Program Announcement General Application Instructions Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: W81XWH-21-HRRP-FRA	Independent investigators at all academic levels (or equivalent)	 Pre-application is required; application submission is by invitation only. Supports promising research that will accelerate drug discovery and therapeutic development for hearing restoration after military-relevant auditory system injury or accelerate advances in the assessment, diagnostics, and treatment of auditory dysfunction. Must address one or more of the FY21 HRRP Focus Areas. Funding Level 1 supports exploratory, high-risk/high-reward research that is in the earliest stages of idea development. Funding Level 2 supports the advancement of more mature research toward clinical translation. Funding Level 2 may include a pilot clinical trial component where limited clinical testing of a novel intervention is conducted to inform the feasibility, rationale, and design of subsequent clinical trials. It is the responsibility of the applicant to select the funding level that is most appropriate for the research proposed. The funding level should be selected based on the stage and maturity of the research, rather than the amount of the budget. Tinnitus or vestibular-related research is excluded. 	 Funding Level 1: Maximum funding of \$250,000 for direct costs (plus indirect costs). Maximum period of performance is 2 years. Funding Level 2: Maximum funding of \$1,000,000 for direct costs (plus indirect costs). Maximum period of performance is 3 years. Funding Level 2 with Pilot Clinical Trial Option: Maximum funding of \$1,250,000 for direct costs (plus indirect costs). Maximum period of performance is 3 years. 	Pre-Application (Preproposal): July 28, 2021 5:00 p.m. Eastern time Application: November 30, 2021 11:59 p.m. Eastern time