Limited Funding Opportunities:
2024 Pew Biomedical Scholars Program
*2024 Searle Scholars Program
2024 Mallinckrodt Grants

These are limited submission opportunities. The HSC may nominate one applicant per program announcement. Please follow instructions below to be considered for nomination.

The Institution is invited each year to select one candidate each for a few highly distinguished awards targeted to outstanding early career investigators – specifically, the Pew and Searle Scholars Programs and Mallinckrodt Research Grants program. Each target faculty in the first 1-4 years of their initial tenure track appointment, and offer $60-100K/year grants for 3-4 years. Please see the table below for information specific to each opportunity. While the grants are modest in size, they carry very high prestige, and can greatly enhance the early careers of the recipients more than the monetary value would reflect. For example, among Pew Scholar alumni alone there are already 3 Nobelists, multiple Lasker Award winners, and large numbers of National Academy members and Howard Hughes Investigators.

Please encourage your outstanding junior faculty to apply for these opportunities. There will be a rigorous internal selection process followed by significant mentoring for the selected candidate to craft the most competitive proposal. The deadline for internal nominations is April 7th. *Disclaimer: The Searle Invitation and Instructions are pending receipt. Please note that any updates made by Searle from previous process will be communicated directly to the chosen applicant at that time.

HSC Nomination Process:
Interested applicants should complete the Early Career Biomedical Research Limited Submissions application via the following REDCap form https://redcap.uthscsa.edu/REDCap/surveys/?s=CJYMCKX8DL. Applications are due no later than Friday, April 7th, 2023. Application packet consists of:
• NIH format biosketch or full academic CV

If only one application packet is received, he/she will be the candidate to submit a full application on behalf of the university. If more than one internal nomination is received, the nominations will be submitted to the special review committee for final candidate selection. Questions about this opportunity should be emailed to SOMResearch@uthscsa.edu

2024 Pew Biomedical Scholars Program
First faculty appt. must be on or after: 6/12/2019
Amount: $75K x 4yrs
Deadline: Full application due 9/7/2023

The Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences provides funding to young investigators of outstanding promise in science relevant to the advancement of human health. The program makes grants to selected academic institutions to support the independent research of outstanding individuals who are in their first few years of their appointment at the assistant professor level.
An award of $75,000 per year will be provided to the sponsoring institution for use by the Scholar over the four-year period, subject to annual review of the Scholar’s progress. The funds may be used, at the discretion of the Pew Scholar, for personnel, equipment, supplies, or travel directly related to the Scholar’s research as to best advance their research and career. Not more than $12,500 of the annual award may be used for the Scholar’s salary (including benefits).
Eligibility
Candidates must have been awarded a doctorate in biomedical sciences, medicine or related field. As of September 7, 2023, run an independent lab and hold a full-time appointment at the rank of assistant professor. (Appointments such as research assistant professor, adjunct assistant professor, assistant professor research track, visiting professor, or instructor are not eligible). Must not have been appointed as an assistant professor at any institution prior to June 12, 2019, whether or not such an appointment was on a tenure track. Time spent in clinical internships, residencies, in work toward board certification, or on parental leave does not count as part of this three-year limit. Candidates may be nominated by their institution two times in total. ALL applicants must be nominated by their institution and must complete the 2024 online application.

For additional eligibility and other program information, please visit: https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/projects/pew-biomedical-scholars/program-details

*2024 Searle Scholars Program
First faculty appt. must be on or after: 7/1/2022
Amount: $100K x 3 yrs
Deadline: 9/30/2023

The program makes grants to selected academic institutions to support the independent research of outstanding young scientists who have recently joined the tenure-track faculty. Eligible applicants are expected to be pursuing independent research careers in biochemistry, cell biology, genetics, immunology, neuroscience, pharmacology, and related areas in chemistry, medicine and the biological sciences. The Searle Scholars Program does not ordinarily support purely clinical research but has supported research programs that include both clinical and basic components.

Eligibility
Candidates should have begun their first appointment as an independent investigator at the assistant professor level on or after July 1, 2022. This appointment must be their first tenure-track position (or its nearest equivalent) at an invited institution. Final HSC candidate application must be received via the Searle Scholars Program’s online submission system by September 30, 2023.

For additional eligibility and other program information, please visit: https://searlescholars.org/
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2024 Edward Mallinckrodt, Jr. Foundation – Mallinckrodt Grants
If nominated, anticipated application deadline: August 1, 2023
Award: $60,000 per year for three years

The Edward Mallinckrodt, Jr. Foundation is a private foundation that funds basic biomedical research in St. Louis and throughout the United States. The mission of the Foundation is to support early stage investigators engaged in biomedical research that has the potential to significantly advance the understanding, diagnosis, or treatment of disease. Funds are designed to provide support to move the project forward to the point where R01 or other independent funding can be obtained.

Eligibility
Applicants should be faculty members who hold M.D. and/or Ph.D. degrees, and in the first to fourth year of their tenure track faculty position and not have current R01 funding.

For more information, please visit: http://www.emallinckrodtfoundation.org/Guidelines.html