

2024 CALL FOR LETTER OF INTENT SUBMISSIONS – MP3 INITIATIVE SEED GRANTS

The goal of the MP3 Initiative is to facilitate and grow basic and applied infectious disease research across scales at Emory University, from molecules and pathogens within hosts to populations and pandemics. The main way in which the initiative will accomplish this is to provide sizable seed grants to interdisciplinary teams of researchers, to provide proof-of-concept and preliminary results for subsequent applications for research grants, program grants, center grants and training grants. An explicit requirement of funding through this program is therefore the subsequent submission of extramural grants. Importantly, to fully establish interdisciplinary research programs, seed grants are only awarded to teams of researchers from different schools at Emory University. Furthermore, partnerships with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Carter Center are strongly encouraged. ***For this cycle, special priority will be given to proposals with teams of researchers who plan to submit subsequent program or center grants.***

Due Dates

- Letter of Intent Due: January 15, 2024
- Invitation for Full Application: February 5, 2024
- Full Application Due: April 5, 2024
- Award Notification: June 5, 2024
- Funding Begins: September 1, 2024

Project Eligibility

- Proposals must specifically address cross-scale infectious disease dynamics; grants will not be awarded for research within one scale of biological organization.
- Proposal must build on new collaborations or research directions.

Applicant Eligibility

- Consist of three faculty members from at least two different units (e.g., SOM/ ECAS/RSPH and RSPH/ECAS/ CDC)
- Hold a Doctor of Medicine (M.D.), Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) or equivalent degree.
- Faculty teams must include at least one junior faculty member.
- Lead PI can only have 1 active MP3 award as a Lead PI/Co-PI.
- Be qualified to conduct and mentor a program of original research within their own laboratory

Funding: Budget Maximums

- \$200k - \$250k for teams of 3 plus faculty

Funding: Duration

- Up to 2 years (9/1/2024 – 8/31/2026).

Requirements: The principal investigator(s) must:

- Commit to submitting subsequent extramural grants. *Special priority will be given to proposals with teams of researchers who plan to submit subsequent program or center grants.*
- Submit progress reports and respond to subsequent requests for updates on any outcomes.
- Present the progress and results of the project as requested.

All applicants must apply through our online grant portal.

[MP3 LOI Portal](#)

For more information please contact Todd Swink at tswink@emory.edu. You can also visit our [website](#) for more information including active awards and their abstracts.