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The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) - part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) - supports research at external academic and research institutions across the world through funding opportunities, including grants. NIAID has a long-standing interest in, and commitment to, global health and international research on infectious diseases and immunology. In support of this interest, NIAID has released a new Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the International Research in Infectious Diseases (IRID) program (<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-23-023.html>).

IRID supports researchers in low- and middle-income countries (as defined by the World Bank: <https://datahelpdesk.worldbank.org/knowledgebase/articles/906519-world-bank-country-and-lending-groups>) who do not currently have NIH-funded awards or contracts for research projects. NIAID intends to fund seven to eight projects under this program, with each application allowed a maximum budget of \$125,000 annually in direct costs and a maximum project period of five years. Diseases of interest include but are not limited to tuberculosis, malaria, HIV/AIDS, parasitic diseases, vectors and vector-borne diseases, drug resistant pathogens, zoonoses, and other emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases. Development of basic, immunological, microbiological, biostatistical, bioinformatics, genomics, epidemiological, data management, and clinical research capacity is encouraged.

IRID opened for applications on July 2, 2023 and will close on August 2, 2023, at 1700 hours local time of the applicant organization. There will be two other opportunities for applicant organizations to submit their applications: August 2, 2024 and August 1, 2025. Additional details - including specific eligibility, application requirements, review processes, and other information - can be found at <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-23-023.html>. Please feel free to circulate this information widely.

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