

The Scleroderma Foundation Research Grant Program



About the Scleroderma Foundation and the Research Grant Program

The Scleroderma Foundation is the leading nonprofit supporter of scleroderma research, funding up to \$1 million in new grants annually to find the cause and cure of scleroderma.

The Foundation is interested in fostering the development of innovative and high quality research by new and established investigators in fields related to systemic sclerosis (SSc, scleroderma.)

The Scleroderma Foundation is a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization serving the needs and interests of persons with scleroderma. The Foundation's 22 chapters and 170 support groups help carry out its mission of support, education, and research.

Two distinct research grants are offered — the Scleroderma Foundation New Investigator Grant and the Scleroderma Foundation Established Investigator Grant.

*The Scleroderma Foundation's **New Investigator Grant** is for promising new investigators who hold faculty or equivalent positions and who wish to pursue a career in research related to systemic scleroderma. This grant will support promising research that is likely to lead to individual research project grants and is designed to facilitate the entry of promising new investigators into this area of research. Applicants may request up to \$50,000 per year for up to three years not to exceed \$150,000.*

*The Scleroderma Foundation's **Established Investigator Grant** is for established investigators both inside and outside the field of SSc research who wish to propose pilot studies to obtain preliminary data dealing with a highly innovative and/or highly relevant theme related to SSc. This grant will support pilot research that is likely to lead to more substantial research pilot grants from federal or non-federal sources. Applicants may request up to \$75,000 per year for up to two years not to exceed \$150,000.*

Grant Application Procedures

- *The application receipt deadline is September 15th annually.*
- *Proposal reviews are conducted in November*
- *Announcement of awards are made in December*
- *Grants begin in January*
- *Eligibility: Applications may be submitted by domestic nonprofit organizations, public and private such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories. Foreign organizations and institutions are only eligible for Established Investigator Grant. New Investigator Grant may not be used to support thesis or dissertation research or fellowship training. Applicants must have a doctorate degree in Medicine, Osteopathy, Veterinary Medicine, or one of the sciences and must have completed a postdoctoral fellowship by the grant award date. Applicants for Established Investigator Grant must have been a Principal Investigator on grants from either the Scleroderma Foundation or other national, private or government agencies.*
- *For more detailed information and application procedures, please visit www.scleroderma.org or call the Scleroderma Foundation at 800-722-4673. You may also email tsperry@scleroderma.org*

