

Science Funders

Prospect	Annual Deadline	Area of giving
Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation	Beckman Young Investigators: August 6, 2018 Post-Doc Fellowships: September 6, 2018 Beckman Scholars: Invitation Only	The Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation provides grants to researchers and non-profit research institutions in chemistry and life sciences to promote scientific discoveries, and particularly to foster the invention of methods, instruments, and materials that will open up new avenues of research.
Burroughs Wellcome Fund	Many programs offered with varying deadlines	The Burroughs Wellcome Fund's grantmaking strategies support biomedical scientists at the beginning of their careers and areas of science that are poised for significant advancement but are currently undervalued and underfunded. BWF has programs which support primary and secondary students, science and mathematics teachers, institutions, and academic scientists: postdoctoral-faculty bridging awards and faculty awards.
Heising-Simons Foundation	The Heising-Simons Foundation does not accept unsolicited proposals. Invitation only.	The goal of the Foundation's Science program is to support fundamental research primarily in the physical sciences. We believe that basic research, when done strategically, has the potential to innovate, elevate, and revolutionize humanity's knowledge and understanding of the universe. Across its funding, the program employs three major approaches: enabling basic scientific research, connecting key stakeholders, and communicating scientific results.
Howard Hughes Medical Institute	Most HHMI grants are awarded through competitions that have a formal invitation and review process.	As one of the world's largest philanthropies, HHMI's chartered purpose is the advancement of knowledge within the basic sciences and the effective application of that knowledge for the benefit of humanity. This funder supports biomedical research, and science education.
Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation	Does not accept unsolicited grant proposals. Inquiries via email accepted.	The Moore Science Program seeks to advance basic science through developing new technologies, supporting imaginative research scientists and creating new collaborations at the frontiers of traditional scientific disciplines. The foundation advances understanding of emerging scientific fields by funding research to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advance our understanding of the world by asking new questions • Enable new science through advances in technology • Break down barriers and cultivate collaborations • Enhance society's understanding of the joy of science
Simons Foundation	Deadlines vary by program	The Simons Foundation's mission is to advance the frontiers of research in mathematics and the basic sciences. The foundation supports institutional grants, fellowships, and projects through academic institutions, and, with the launch of the Flatiron Institute in 2016, aims to advance scientific research through computational methods, including data analysis, modeling and simulation.
Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	Applications are accepted on an on-going basis	Support for basic scientific research lies at the core of the foundation's mission. In each of the science grantmaking programs, the Foundation seeks proposals for original projects led by outstanding individuals or teams, which exhibit a high degree of methodological rigor, which have a high expected return to society, and for which funding from the private sector, government, or other foundations is not yet widely available. The foundation also supports fellowships. Current science programs include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chemistry of Indoor Environments -Deep Carbon Observatory - Microbiology of the built environment -Sloan Digital Sky Survey
John Templeton Foundation	Applications are accepted on an on-going basis	The Science & the Big Questions Funding Area supports innovative efforts to address the deepest questions facing humankind such as 'Why are we here? How can we flourish? What are the fundamental structures of reality? What can we know about the nature and purposes of the divine?' Themes within this program area include Fundamental Structure and Laws of Nature, the Nature of the Divine, The Nature and Potential of the Mind, Religion and Spirituality in Human Experience, and Live, Love, and Virtue
Whitehall Foundation	Letter of Intent Annual deadlines: January 15, April 15, October 1	This funder focuses exclusively on assisting basic research in vertebrate (excluding clinical) and invertebrate neurobiology in the United States. Investigations should specifically concern neural mechanisms involved in sensory, motor, and other complex functions of the whole organism as these relate to behavior. The overall goal should be to better understand behavioral output or brain mechanisms of behavior.