

## UCSF May Submit 2 Applications, 1 per Program

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**Recording of UCSF Keck Foundation Research Program Information Session:**

<http://lecture.ucsf.edu/ets/Play/d95abdb1443649d09a19bd87be1bca221d>

### WHAT:

- The W.M. Keck Foundation Medical Research Program
- The W.M. Keck Foundation Science & Engineering Program
- (<http://www.wmkeck.org/grant-programs/research>)

**Note:** You will identify the program for which you believe your project is most appropriate. Science & Engineering applications should prioritize technological impact in engineering/science fields rather than advancing medical research.

### PURPOSE:

- To advance the frontiers of medicine, science, and engineering to benefit humanity by supporting pioneering high-risk/high-impact research projects

### ELIGIBILITY:

- Senior or early career investigators performing basic (not clinical) research
- Projects must be distinctive, novel, pushing the edge of the field or questioning the prevailing paradigm
- Support is for pioneering biological, science, and engineering research and the development of breakthrough technologies, methodologies, and/or instrumentation
- Projects should fall **outside** the mission of public funding agencies, demonstrating that private philanthropy, generally, and the W.M. Keck Foundation, in particular, is essential to the project's success

*Keck is looking for high-risk, novel, unique projects that have potentially transformative, large, broad impact across many fields. Proposals should not be disease-specific, and should not be federally fundable (unless possibly by a Pioneer or New Innovator award).*

### BUDGET AND PROJECT PERIOD REQUIREMENTS:

- Budget: \$1m
  - A compelling case must be made for funding in excess of \$1m. Requests exceeding \$1m could affect competitiveness.
  - Not allowed: indirect costs, tuition, PI support exceeding 10% annual salary or renovation costs exceeding 10% of total request
- Project period: typically 3years, though 2 is acceptable
  - Rationale must be provided if 4 years are requested.

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## QUESTIONS:

- Regarding the W.M. Keck Foundation: Suzy Beemer, Executive Director, Corporate & Foundation Relations, 415.514.2612 or [suzy.beemer@ucsf.edu](mailto:suzy.beemer@ucsf.edu)
- Regarding the internal review process: Kristin Dolan, Research Development Specialist, 415.502.1666 or [limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu](mailto:limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu)

## DUE DATES:

- October 18, 2016 **(10am): Internal deadline**
  - Please note PIs may submit directly to the LSP; RMS does not get involved unless and until you are nominated
- November 18, 2016: PI notified of internal first-round selection, potential candidacy
- December 5, 2016: Deadline for revised pre-proposal for first round nominees
- February 2017: PI notified of selection to submit full Phase 1 application
- April 2017: Check with your department's RMS team for date by which they need application before foundation submission
- April 3, 2017: Drafts due to Suzy Beemer
- April 27, 2017: Final version due to Suzy Beemer
- May 1, 2017: Keck Foundation Phase I application deadline
- July 15, 2017: Keck Foundation invitations issued for Phase II proposals
- August 15, 2017: Keck Foundation Phase II proposal due, if invited
- September or October 2017: Proposal presentation to Keck officers (if Phase II invited)
- December 2017: Awards announced

Submit the following in ONE PDF file by **10am, October 18, 2016**, to: [limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu](mailto:limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu)

1. Limited Submission Pre-proposal Cover Sheet with signatures (form attached to email)
  1. NIH Bio-sketch (5-pg. max., including publications)  
(<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch-blankformat-Forms-D.docx>)
  2. 1-page maximum concept paper\* providing the following:
    - Overview of the research proposed emphasizing any *unique aspects* and pilot studies; describe how the project is distinctive, novel, transformative, pushes the field
    - Brief description of the key personnel and methodologies
    - Brief justification of the need for *Keck support specifically* (as opposed to federal funding)
    - Estimated budget broken down, if possible, by major areas, e.g., personnel, equipment, consumable supplies, etc. (Budgets can be brief, rough approximations at this stage.)
    - Other germane details (e.g., background to put the research into perspective, description of the institution's prominence in the field, etc.), space allowing
- \*Concept paper requirements, no exceptions:**
- 12-pt font and 1-inch margins, 1 page maximum.
  - Avoid illustrations; use all available space for text
  - If a reference is necessary, abbreviate it as, e.g.: (*Science*, 323, 45, '11)

*Sent by on behalf of the Research Development Office (RDO), Limited Submission Program (LSP)*