This FOA does not limit the number of applications UCSF can submit, provided the applications are for different types of equipment. The LSP, in conjunction with the Research Resource Program, is serving as central coordinator in order to avoid unnecessary duplication of instrument requests.

**Internal Deadline:** 11:59 PM, Tuesday, March 13th, 2018

**PLEASE FORWARD THIS ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL APPROPRIATE FACULTY AND RESEARCH ADMINISTRATORS**


**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER:** PAR-18-600

**PURPOSE:**
- To provide for the purchase or upgrade of a single item of expensive, specialized, commercially available instruments or integrated systems that cost at least $50,000.
- There is no maximum price requirement; however, the maximum award is $600,000.
- Types of instruments supported include, but are not limited to:
  - X-ray diffraction systems
  - NMR spectrometers and mass spectrometers
  - DNA and protein sequencers
  - Biosensors
  - Electron and confocal microscopes
  - Cell-sorters
  - Biomedical imagers

**ELIGIBILITY:**
- A Major User group of three or more investigators who are Program Director(s)/Principal Investigator(s) (PDs/PIs) on three distinct active NIH research award in an area of basic, translational, or clinical research. (The requirement is one award per investigator, with more awards per investigator allowed. An award given to multi-PDs/PIs is counted only once towards fulfilling this requirement.)
- Once this eligibility requirement has been met, additional users with active NIH research grants can be added as Major or Minor Users.
- PDs/PIs of NIH training or fellowship grants (i.e. T and F mechanisms) are not eligible to be Major Users.
- Investigators with funding from sources such as other federal agencies (e.g., NSF, DoE, DoD), private foundations or academic institutions can be added as Major or Minor Users provided they are engaged in basic, translational or clinical research and demonstrate a substantial need for the instrument.
- Major Users can be researchers within the same department or from several departments, divisions or schools at the applicant institution, or from nearby or regional institutions.
- To demonstrate the clear need for the requested instrument, the projects supported by NIH research grants should together require at least 75 percent of the Accessible User Time (AUT).
- Major Users supported by NIH grants should together require at least 35 percent of the AUT.
BUDGET AND PROJECT PERIOD:
- Minimum cost: $50,000;
- Maximum Award (there is no limit on maximum cost): $600,000
- Project Period: 1 year

IMPORTANT: The Research Resource Program, with assistance from the Research Development Office, will help with these items. Specifically, these include:
  1) The institutional letter of support must now reflect a greater level of sustained support from the institution; and
  2) There is a requirement for an “S10 Table”, which will list all of the awarded UCSF S10s along with significant pieces of associated usage information.

DUE DATES:
- INTERNAL: 11:59 PM, Tuesday, March 13th, 2018
- Please note PIs may submit directly to the LSP; RMS does not get involved unless and until you are nominated
- Sponsor: Thursday, May 31st, 2018

Submit the attached Letter of Intent (LOI) by 11:59 PM, March 13th, 2018 to:
limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu

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