

The ASPN/PSEF Combined Pilot Research Grant Submission Deadline - December 15, 2009

The ASPN and the PSEF have arranged joint funding for pilot research to be undertaken by ASPN members. Up to \$10,000 will be available for funding in this competition. This is in place of the previous ASPN pilot grant program of the last two years. We urge you to submit proposals for this enhanced funding.

Preamble

Seed Grants are now being offered by ASPN for young investigators. The grants are meant to support either basic or clinical research related to peripheral nerve disorders. The purpose is to provide start up funding for early-phase projects which are not yet competitive for national funding such as NIH or CIHR. The submissions will undergo peer-review by a research grant committee, chosen by the ASPN council. Depending on the amount of money available, one or several grants will be offered per year.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicant must be a member (candidate, active or associate) of ASPN. The proposed research must pertain to peripheral nerve disorders, but can be either basic or clinical.

The applicant should be within the first 5 years of their initial or academic appointment to an institution. Residents or fellows who are starting their appointment in the granting year are also eligible, in which case the application must be accompanied by a letter from the division/department head verifying appointment.

Applicants who already hold major grant funding from national organizations (such as NIH and CIHR) as a Principal Investigator (PI) are excluded from applying.

The Grant Application Guidelines are available online at

http://www.plasticsurgery.org/Documents/Medical_Professionals/research/2963-PSEF-ASPN-Pilot-Research-Grant-Guidelines-FINAL.pdf

All applications must be submitted online through proposalCENTRAL. Please visit the ASPN/PSEF website for the link to the ASPN/PSEF application in proposalCENTRAL at

http://www.plasticsurgery.org/Foundation/Research_Grant_and_Fellowship_Applications.html
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