



Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to share a list of upcoming research funding opportunities from private and industry sponsors. If you are planning to apply to any of the opportunities listed here, and would like to work with SRG on proposal development, please complete the External Funding Request form at <https://www.bmc.org/external-funding>. All applications must be submitted through Sponsored Programs Administration (SPA). LOIs and applications are due to SPA 5 business days prior to the sponsor deadline. We have also included a list of upcoming Limited Submission Funding Opportunities and instructions for this process at the bottom of this email.

March 2026 (and beyond) **Foundation** Funding Opportunities Calendar

Sponsor	Mechanism	Area	Description	Amount	Deadline Sponsor	Deadline SPA	Notes
METAvisor	Multiple mechanisms available	Cancer, OBGYN	<p>METAvisor Translational Research Award: Funds discovery and early phase basic, translational, and clinical research designed to address critical problems or barriers to progress in the field of metastatic breast cancer.</p> <p>METAvisor Early Career Investigator Award: Funds research that specifically addresses the mechanistic understanding, diagnosis, and/or treatment of metastatic breast cancer.</p> <p>METAvisor Quality of Life Research Award: Funds research that address issues relating to quality of life or side effects of treatments.</p>	\$200,000 - \$450,000 over 2 years	3/1/2026 (Anticipated) *LOI	2/20/2026	<i>Please see website links for full descriptions, funding amounts, and project periods.</i>
Craig H. Neilsen Foundation	Investigational Grants	Spinal Cord Injury	This funding intends to support research to improve understanding of psychosocial issues and provide insights needed to develop	\$300,000 over 2 years	3/6/2026 (Anticipated)	2/27/2026	

			approaches that improve the lives of people affected by spinal cord injury.		*LOI		
Gastric Cancer Foundation	Early-Stage Research Funding	Cancer, Gastric	The Gastric Cancer Foundation provides early funding for projects that show promise to facilitate the development of new treatments for gastric cancer.	\$100,000 over 1 year	3/10/2026 (Anticipated)	3/03/2026	
Brain and Behavior Research Foundation	Young Investigator Grant	Psychiatric Disorders	The BBRF Young Investigator Grant provides support for the most promising young scientists conducting neurobiological research. Research must be relevant to serious brain and behavior disorders such as schizophrenia, mood disorders, anxiety disorders or child and adolescent mental illnesses.	\$70,000 over 2 years	3/12/2026 (Anticipated)	3/05/2026	
Neuroendocrine Tumor Research Foundation	Multiple mechanisms available	Neurology	Accelerator Awards: Designed to fund groundbreaking projects with the potential for transformative advancements in neuroendocrine cancer research and treatment. Investigator Awards: Designed to fund investigators and teams with the tools to study neuroendocrine cancers in innovative and transformative ways. Pilot Awards: Designed to fund pilot/feasibility studies.	\$90,000-\$800,000 over 1 to 4 years	3/17/2026 (Anticipated) *LOI	3/10/2026	Please see website links for full descriptions, funding amounts, and project periods.
The Sontag Foundation	Distinguished Scientist Award	Cancer, Brain	Funding to launch the careers of extraordinary scientists with the potential to make a significant impact in the field of brain cancer.	\$750,000 over 5 years	3/18/2026	3/11/2026	
Prostate Cancer Foundation	PCF Challenge Awards	Cancer, Prostate	Supports transformational, cross-disciplinary prostate cancer research to accelerate progress towards the reduction of death and suffering due to recurrent or advanced prostate cancer.	\$1,000,000 over 3 years	3/21/2026 (Anticipated)	3/13/2026	
Ovarian Cancer Research Alliance	Multiple mechanisms available	Cancer, Ovarian	Collaborative Research Development Grant: Provides funds for research projects that may involve several investigators within one institution or collaborations between groups in multiple institutions. Collaborative Research Development Grant – Microsoft AI for Health: Provides research funds for ovarian cancer and/or related gynecologic cancers research projects using AI or machine learning.	\$100,000-\$900,000 over 1 to 3 years	3/26/2026 (Anticipated) *LOI	3/19/2026	Please see website links for full descriptions, funding amounts, and project periods.

[Health Equity Research Grant](#): Provides funding for research that promotes equity, inclusivity, and evidence-based approaches to overcome barriers faced by marginalized communities.

Charles H. Hood Foundation	Child Health Research Awards Program	Pediatrics	The intent of the Child Health Research Awards Program is to support newly independent faculty, provide the opportunity to demonstrate creativity, and assist in the transition to other sources of research funding. Grants support hypothesis-driven clinical, basic science, public health, health services research, and epidemiology projects focused on child health.	\$200,000 over 2 years	4/1/2026 (Anticipated)	3/25/2026	Please note that research projects that focus on pregnant women and their fetuses will not be considered responsive to this RFA.
The Elsa U. Pardee Foundation	Elsa U. Pardee Foundation Grant	Cancer	The foundation funds research to investigators proposing research directed toward identifying new treatments or cures for cancer.	no amount limit - over 1 year	4/30/2026	4/24/2026	
The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research	Parkinson's Disease Therapeutics Pipeline Program	Neurology, Parkinson's	This program seeks to advance therapeutic development through pre-clinical and/or clinical testing of approaches addressing unmet needs of people with Parkinson's disease (PD). The program is set up to benefit therapeutics with clear potential to prevent, stop, or delay disease progression or to reduce the burden of daily symptoms.	\$250,000 to \$2,000,000 over 1 to 3 years (pre-clinical or clinical)	Rolling *LOI	4/16/2026	<i>The Therapeutics Pipeline Program is only open to industry and industry-academia collaborations.</i>
TMCity	TMCity Grant	Neurology	The Foundation seeks to support research in neurocognitive healthcare and treatments for brain-related ailments.	up to \$250,000 over 1-2 years	Rolling *LOI	5 business days before submission	
Arnold Ventures	Causal Research on Community Safety and the Criminal Justice System	Community Safety	This program seeks letters of interest to conduct causal research projects of policies, practices, and interventions related to community safety and the criminal justice system.	\$500,000 over 3-4 years	Rolling	5 business days before submission	
Colorectal Cancer Alliance	Multiple mechanisms available	Cancer, GI	Young Investigator : Aims to attract early career faculty with original ideas into the field of colorectal cancer research, thereby recruiting and supporting the next generation of CRC research leaders. Senior Investigator Accelerator Award : Funds potentially transformative ideas that will accelerate the translation of new therapies and technologies to the bedside by the end of the proposed research.	\$200,000-\$500,000 over 2 years	Rolling *LOI	5 business days before submission	<i>Please see website links for full descriptions, funding amounts, and project periods.</i>

[Pilot Accelerator Award](#): Supports investigators who propose potentially transformative ideas without extensive preliminary data but articulate a clear hypothesis and translational goals.

[Team Science Accelerator Award](#): Supports team science that brings together academia and industry to accelerate CRC research to curative science.

Food Allergy Fund	Innovators Research Grant	Immunology, Food Allergy	The foundation seek award grants to the researcher or team of researchers who demonstrate the most innovative approach to identifying what causes food allergies or an improved treatment.	\$250,000. over 2 years	Rolling *LOI	5 business days before submission
Nuttall Women's Health	XXcelerate: Turning Existing Research Into Impact for Women	Women's Health	XXcelerate is committed to ensuring that clinical research findings are valid and relevant for women by funding existing and/or on-going clinical research that rigorously examines outcomes in women.	Budget limited to the project scope over 3 years	Rolling *LOI	5 business days before submission

March 2026 (and beyond) Industry Funding Opportunities Calendar

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Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (BIPI)	Investigator Initiated Studies (IIS)	Cardio-renal-metabolic diseases, dermatology, and mental health	This opportunity supports clinical and health outcomes research focusing on cardio-renal-metabolic diseases, dermatology, and mental health, including schizophrenia, PTSD, digital therapeutics, and major depressive disorder, with an emphasis on under-represented populations. Exploratory and proof-of-concept studies are encouraged.	TBD	Rolling	5 business days before submission	
Boston Scientific	Investigator Sponsored Research (ISR) Program	Multiple areas: GI, Cardiology, Oncology, Neurology, and Urology	This global ISR grant program is open to qualified researchers who are interested in conducting research that addresses evidence gaps and unmet needs. Areas of interest: Endoscopy, Interventional Cardiology /Structural Heart, Interventional Oncology, Peripheral Interventions, Neuromodulation, Urology, Rhythm and Electrophysiology.	TBD	Rolling	5 business days before submission	

Upcoming *Anticipated* Limited Submission Funding Opportunities Calendar

Limited submission refers to external funding opportunities for which the sponsor restricts the number of applications an institution may submit. Some of the opportunities listed below are anticipated, and official sponsor deadlines may not have been announced yet. The BMC internal limited submission process will take place in advance of the sponsor deadlines once BU widely disseminates each opportunity.

BMC investigators who are interested in any of these opportunities should contact the program manager of Strategic Research Growth, Carolina Giudice, at carolina.giudice@bmc.org to express their interest and receive instructions on potential next steps. Please note that expressing interest does not guarantee that an application will be selected to move forward. If you are unsure whether your grants are managed by BU or BMC, please consult the [BUMC Home Institution Finder](#).

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Association of American Medical College	Herbert W. Nickens Faculty Fellowship Program	Equity	This award recognizes an outstanding assistant-level faculty member who demonstrates leadership potential in their efforts to promote equal opportunity in medical education and access to quality health care; demonstrates efforts in addressing educational, societal, and health care needs of underserved populations in the United States; and is committed to a career in academic medicine.	\$25,000 one time	1/30/2026	3/3/2026 *LOI	2/20/2026	
Breast Cancer Alliance, Inc.	Breast Cancer Alliance - Young Investigator Grants (YIG)	Cancer, breast	This award helps advance the careers of young breast cancer researchers who do not yet have their own major grant support, but who design and conduct their own independent research projects.	\$125,000 over 2 years	1/23/2026	3/31/2026 *LOI	3/24/2026	
Breast Cancer Alliance, Inc.	Breast Cancer Alliance - Exceptional Project Grants (XP)	Cancer, breast	This award recognizes creative, unique and innovative research related to breast cancer.	\$100,000 over 1 year	1/23/2026	3/31/2026 *LOI	3/24/2026	
W.M. Keck Foundation	Keck Foundation Research Program - December cycle	Biological, engineering	The W. M. Keck Research Program seeks to benefit humanity by supporting Medical Research and Science & Engineering projects that are distinctive and novel in their approach , question the prevailing paradigm, or have the potential to break open new territory in their field.	\$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000 over 3 years	TBD	5/1/2026 *LOI	4/24/2026	
The Pew Charitable Trusts	Pew-Stewart Scholars for Cancer Research	Biomedical	The program is a national initiative designed to support promising early career scientists whose research will accelerate discovery and advance progress to a cure for cancer.	\$300,000 total over 4 years	4/1/2026	5/14/2026 (Anticipated) *LOI	8/20/2026	<i>Institutional nomination deadline</i>

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