

***Fiscal Year 2016 Department of Defense Multiple Sclerosis Research Program  
Reference Table of Award Mechanism and Submission Requirements***

Award Mechanism	Eligibility	Key Mechanism Elements	Funding	Submission Deadlines
<p><b>Pilot Clinical Trial Award</b></p> <p>Go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Program Announcement</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">General Application Instructions</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b> <a href="#">W81XWH-16-MSRP-PCTA</a></p>	<p>Independent investigators at or above the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Pre-application submission is required; application submission is by invitation only.</i></li> <li>• Supports early-phase, proof-of-principle clinical trials to investigate hypothesis-based, innovative interventions that have the potential to result in a profound impact on the management of multiple sclerosis symptoms.</li> <li>• <i>Scientific rationale and/or preliminary data required.</i></li> <li>• Investigational New Drug or Investigational Device Exemption approval or exemption, if applicable, must be in place by 5:00 p.m. Eastern time, November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• <i>Preclinical or correlative studies will not be supported.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anticipated that budgets will not exceed <b>\$600,000</b> in direct costs (plus indirect costs).</li> <li>• Period of performance not to exceed <b>3</b> years.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Preproposal):</b> May 26, 2016 5:00 p.m. Eastern time</p> <p>Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> August 29, 2016 11:59 p.m. Eastern time</p>
<p><b>Investigator-Initiated Research Award</b></p> <p>Go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Program Announcement</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">General Application Instructions</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b> <a href="#">W81XWH-16-MSRP-IIRA</a></p>	<p>Independent investigators at or above the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Pre-application submission is required; application submission is by invitation only.</i></li> <li>• Supports highly rigorous, high-impact research with the potential to make an important contribution to MS research and/or patient care.</li> <li>• <i>Preliminary and/or published data required.</i></li> <li>• <i>Clinical trials are not allowed.</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anticipated that budgets will not exceed <b>\$600,000</b> in direct costs (plus indirect costs).</li> <li>• Period of performance not to exceed <b>3</b> years.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Preproposal):</b> May 26, 2016 5:00 p.m. Eastern time</p> <p>Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> August 29, 2016 11:59 p.m. Eastern time</p>

<p><b>Exploration – Hypothesis Development Award</b> (New for FY16)</p> <p>Go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Program Announcement</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">General Application Instructions</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b> <a href="#">W81XWH-16-MSRP-EHDA</a></p>	<p>Independent investigators at or above the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Pre-application submission is required; application submission is by invitation only.</i></b></li> <li>• Supports the initial exploration of innovative, high-risk, high-gain, and potentially groundbreaking concepts in the MS research field.</li> <li>• <b><i>Preliminary and/or published data not required.</i></b></li> <li>• <b><i>Clinical trials are not allowed.</i></b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anticipated that budgets will not exceed <b>\$150,000</b> in direct costs (plus indirect costs).</li> <li>• Period of performance not to exceed <b>2</b> years.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Preproposal):</b> May 26, 2016 5:00 p.m. Eastern time</p> <p>Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> August 29, 2016 11:59 p.m. Eastern time</p>
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