

Neurodegenerative Diseases Open Call

Neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease are largely age-linked debilitating and untreatable conditions. With very few causal treatments being available today, Alzheimer's disease has high personal, societal and economic impact. Ignite Life Science Foundation is pleased to announce a funding opportunity to support innovative research in the field of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. This initiative aims to advance scientific understanding, develop effective treatments, and improve care strategies for individuals living with these conditions.

Research proposals addressing the challenges listed above are invited from not-for-profit research institutions (public or private). Preference will be given to collaborative proposals between groups that have divergent expertise.

We prefer to receive proposals that seek to address a central hypothesis/question relating to the underlying mechanisms of Alzheimer's and related dementias, translational research to develop new therapeutic approaches, biomarker discovery and validation. The tenure of the funding request should be two years. We expect the quantum of funding per grant to be no more than 30 lakh INR.

The last date for submitting the proposal to andrea@ignitelsf.in is 23rd Jan. 2025. The awards will be announced around [March 15th 2025].

Information on Ignite Life Science Foundation can be obtained at our website: ignitelsf.in

Successful proposals will be announced through our website and via our social media handle.

The subject line of the email to which the proposal is attached should say: [Neurodegeneration-NDGN] Proposal, Your Name and Institution

The proposal (maximum 10 pages) the name of the proposal file should be PIname_InstitutionName_[Grant name]_[Year] (The applicant should hold a full time position).

The proposal should contain the following sections :

1. A high level SUMMARY of the proposal (150 words or less)
2. Background science in support of this proposal (ideally ONE page)



3. The central hypothesis or idea (ideally half a page)
4. The experimental design to test your hypothesis/idea; experiments that are definitive in their outcomes and constitute a go/no-go decision point for further work are preferred (ideally ONE page)
5. Possible outcomes and next steps (ONE page)
6. List of References in support of (1) above (ONE page)
7. Six monthly Milestones, and Funding (with breakup; overheads should not exceed 10%) required to be disbursed in six monthly tranches (ONE page). Please also attach the project budget as a separate excel file with the name: Plname_InstitutionName_[Mention grant name]Proposal_[Year]_Budget
8. Name of PI, co-PIs, list of relevant papers published by the PI and Co-PI, address, email ID and mobile phone numbers
9. If funding announcements are made in the first week of [Mention month&year], on what date can you commence work on your proposal
10. Self-certification that this Proposal does not overlap with any other ongoing funded proposals OR proposals submitted to other agencies for funding. Please do list ALL proposals of a similar nature that are funded in your laboratory as well as proposals of a similar nature submitted by you for funding to other agencies