

IDOM EQUIPMENT FUND

Announcement

IDOM will consider requests to provide funds for the purchase of new multi-user equipment that will be utilized by two or more members of IDOM. The limit for IDOM supported equipment purchases is \$10,000 but in unique circumstances greater levels of support may be considered. Request to provide funds to support service contracts of existing equipment are discouraged. Applications will be reviewed by the IDOM Executive Committee on a rolling basis and generally be completed within 3 weeks of receipt of application.

General Considerations

- Applications in all areas of diabetes and obesity research are eligible.
- A proposal may be resubmitted once. If applicable, a description of the changes made from a prior application should be included.
- Note that it is NOT necessary for the application to go through the Office of Sponsored Research prior to submission.

Eligibility Guidelines

- All University of Minnesota faculty members of the Institute for Diabetes, Obesity, and Metabolism are eligible to apply.

Applications should be submitted as a single PDF document to charo@umn.edu and include the following:

- A cover letter that names the desired equipment, the contact information of the PI, and the contact information of other primary investigators who will use the equipment.
- NIH biosketch of the PI(s).
- Project description: The maximum length is 1 page, and no references are to be included. A description of the equipment requested and why it (they) is (are) essential for the specific area(s) of research including a description of the faculty research projects that would benefit. Include clarification that the item requested is not available or sufficiently accessible elsewhere in the medical school/university or the need exists for the equipment to be duplicated.
- Current and pending funding for the PI. On a separate page list available funding for the PI. For each grant or pending application list: funding agency, PI, grant title, amount of direct cost per year, and beginning/end award period or proposed award. Include information as to endowment funds or "Start-Up" funds available for purchases as well.
- Budget: Include the amount of support requested, the total cost, and the source and dollar amount of contributions made by matching financial contributors. As a general rule, request should not exceed \$10,000. Evidence of matching support from other sources (such as other research grants, department or center/institute matching funds, philanthropy) should be provided if the cost of the equipment exceeds \$10,000.

For questions, please contact charo@umn.edu