



New Round of EDRN Funding Opportunity 2015 - 2020



The EDRN is a national infrastructure whose mission is to conduct systematic, evidence-based discovery, development and clinical validation of biomarkers for risk assessment, detection, diagnosis and prognosis of early cancer. Other essential objectives of the EDRN are to develop quality assurance programs for biomarker testing and evaluation, and to forge public-private partnerships for clinical validation and application of biomarkers.

A new round of funding opportunity is now available through the following EDRN Funding Opportunity Announcements:

Biomarker Developmental Laboratories (<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-14-014.html>): This FOA seeks to establish Biomarker Developmental Laboratories as part of the Network, which will be responsible for the discovery, development, characterization, and testing of new, or the refinement of existing, biomarkers and biomarker assays for risk assessment, early cancer detection, and molecular diagnosis and prognosis of early cancer.

Up to \$8M will be allotted to fund 12-16 BDLs in the new funding cycle.

Applicants are encouraged to send an email to the NCI contact persons listed for further questions: Drs. Jacob Kagan (kaganj@mail.nih.gov) and Karl Krueger (kruegerk@mail.nih.gov)

Clinical Validation Centers (<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-14-015.html>): This FOA seeks to establish Clinical Validation Centers as part of the Network, which will be responsible for conducting clinical research to validate biomarkers for risk assessment and early cancer detection, and also serve as clinical resource centers for collaborative research within the EDRN by participating in collaborative biomarker validation studies and partnering with other EDRN components.

Up to \$9M will be allotted to fund 8-10 CVCs in the new funding cycle.

Applicants are encouraged to send an email to the NCI contact persons listed for further questions: Drs. Christos Patriotis (patriotisc@mail.nih.gov) and Sharmistha Ghosh (ghoshjanjigias@mail.nih.gov)

Biomarker Reference Laboratories (<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-14-016.html>): This FOA seeks to establish Biomarker Reference Laboratories as part of the EDRN, which will serve as a Network resource for clinical and laboratory validation of biomarkers, including assay development and refinement.

Up to \$2M will be allotted to fund 4-5 BRLs in the new funding cycle.

Applicants are encouraged to send an email to the NCI contact persons listed for further questions: Drs. Lynn Sorbara (lynns@mail.nih.gov) and Jo Ann Rinaudo (rinaudoj@mail.nih.gov)

Data Management and Coordinating Center (<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-14-017.html>): This FOA seeks to establish a Data Management and Coordinating Center as part of the Network, which will support statistical and computational analyses, informatics infrastructure, study design, coordination and support of EDRN-sponsored biomarker validation studies, and the coordination of network-wide meetings and conferences.

Up to \$3M will be allotted to fund one DMCC in the new funding cycle.

Applicants are encouraged to send an email to the NCI contact persons listed for further questions: Drs. Paul Wagner (wagnerp@mail.nih.gov) and Nadarajen A. Vydelingum (vydelinn@mail.nih.gov)

Important Dates

Pre-application Webinar: December 2, 2014, 1:00 PM-5:00 PM Eastern Time. Potential applicants interested in participating in the webinar should send a message to Dr. Sharmistha Ghosh (ghoshjanjigias@mail.nih.gov) no later than 5:00 p.m. (EST) November 21, 2014. Please mention the FOA of interest in the subject line.

Application Receipt Date: January 20, 2015

Anticipated Start Date: September 1, 2015