



HUMAN FRONTIER SCIENCE PROGRAM (HFSP)

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CALL FOR LETTERS OF INTENT FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH GRANTS: AWARD YEAR 2009

The Human Frontier Science Program supports **international** preferably **intercontinental** collaborations in basic life science research with emphasis placed on *novel*, **innovative** and **interdisciplinary** approaches to fundamental investigations. Applications are invited for grants to support new approaches to understanding **complex mechanisms of living organisms** involving biologists collaborating with scientists from disciplines such as chemistry, physics, mathematics, computational biology, nanoscience and engineering. Preliminary results are not required. Applicants are expected to develop new lines of research distinct from their ongoing research.

There are two types of Grant: **Young Investigators' Grants** are for teams of scientists who are **all** within 5 years of establishing an independent laboratory and within 10 years of obtaining their PhDs. **Program Grants** are for independent scientists at all stages of their careers, although the participation of younger scientists is especially encouraged.

Grants provide 3 years support for 2 – 4 member teams, with not more than one member from any one country, unless critical for the interdisciplinary nature of the project, which is an essential selection criterion. Applicants may establish a local or national **interdisciplinary** collaboration as a component of an international team but will be considered as 1.5 team members for budgetary purposes. Awards are dependent upon team size and successful teams will receive up to \$450,000 per year. The principal applicant must be located in one of the member countries (Australia, Canada, the European Union, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States) but co-investigators may be located in any country.

Guidelines and further instructions are available on the HFSP web site (www.hfsp.org). International teams of scientists must first submit a letter of intent online via the web site. Specific enquiries: grant@hfsp.org

Deadlines : **Compulsory pre-registration for password, via the web site: 21 MARCH 2008**
Submission of Letters of Intent: 02 APRIL 2008