



## Call for Pilot Research Grant Applications

**\$30,000 for 1 year**

**Letter of intent with abstract due November 1, 2017**

**Application due November 8, 2017**

The Knight Alzheimer's Disease Research Center (ADRC) at Washington University supports clinical, biomedical, behavioral, and translational research on aging and dementia. Applications proposing patient-oriented research (e.g., risk factors, diagnosis, disease course, and treatment and management) and basic studies (including topics such as neurodegeneration, genetic factors, and cellular and molecular mechanisms) both are welcomed.

The Knight ADRC pilot research grant program aims to encourage investigators new to Alzheimer disease, both those who are early in their career development and those who are more senior but not currently working in this area, to initiate research in dementia and aging. Investigators previously funded through the Knight ADRC are ineligible unless the pilot or feasibility study represents a major departure from earlier work (consult with ADRC leadership). **The principal investigator must be a full-time Washington University faculty member (Instructor or above at time of award).** All pilots are funded for one year at an anticipated maximum of \$30,000 direct costs.

Pilot grant proposals undergo competitive peer review. Proposals to use Knight ADRC resources (e.g., Knight ADRC participants; clinical and cognitive data; brain or other tissue; statistical support) must adhere to the "Guidelines & Policies for Investigators Conducting Research within the Knight ADRC" and potential applicants should discuss their proposals with appropriate Core Leaders in advance of submission. A copy of the "Guidelines" (including Core Leader contact information) and other valuable information is available online at the Knight ADRC Web page under the Research tab-Policies and Procedures: <http://alzheimer.wustl.edu/Research/PoliciesProcedures.htm>.

#### Submission:

1. To facilitate the review process, a letter of intent with a **PROPOSAL TITLE** (maximum 81 characters) & **ABSTRACT which includes specific aims should be received electronically by the Knight ADRC office no later than Tuesday, November 1, 2017.**
2. **YOUR PROPOSAL, in PDF format, must be received no later than NOVEMBER 8, 2017 in the Knight ADRC office.** Submissions should use PHS 398 application format (03/2016) and include 3 items: 1) biosketch, 2) a draft budget (online approval not required until actual submission) and 3) research plan (specific aims, background and significance, preliminary studies and experimental design and methods). The research plan CANNOT exceed **FIVE (5)** pages total (excluding references). Complete PHS 398 (revised 03/2016) packets may be obtained online at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html>.

**Notice of approved pilot proposals will be on or before January 31, 2018. Funding for the 2018 pilot grants is part of the ADRC grant award from the National Institute on Aging and will commence May 1, 2018.** A complete set of PHS398 forms and appropriate IRB applications will be required for all approved pilot grant by February 1, 2018.

<b>DEADLINES:</b>	<b>Abstract and letter of intent:</b>	<b>November 1, 2017</b>
	<b>Proposal due</b>	<b>November 8, 2017</b>

**PLEASE ADDRESS PROPOSALS AND ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS CALL FOR PROPOSALS TO Dr. Krista Moulder ([moulderk@wustl.edu](mailto:moulderk@wustl.edu); 286-2012; Campus Box 8111-ADRC).**