



Research Grants: Rigor and Transparency in Application and Review


Key Area	Application Instructions	Review Language
Scientific Premise	Research Strategy: Significance	Scored Review Criterion: Significance
Scientific Rigor	Research Strategy: Approach	Scored Review Criterion: Approach
Consideration of Relevant Biological Variables, such as sex	Research Strategy: Approach	Scored Review Criterion: Approach
Authentication of Key Biological and/or Chemical Resources	Other Research Plan Attachment	Unscored Additional Review Consideration: Attachment

Note: The application instructions for career development awards, fellowships, training grant applications are slightly different. For more information, refer to guide notices describing application forms updates: [NOT-OD-16-004](#).

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