

## Interested in >\$1 million of nondilutive startup funds?

The **National Science Foundation** (NSF) and **National Institutes of Health** (NIH) offer nondilutive startup funds to biotechnology companies exploring high risk/high reward technology. These funds are provided through the SBIR/STTR award program.

### Which program is right for you?

Each program emphasizes unique aspects of innovation. Below is a brief list of factors to consider when selecting your submission agency.

		NSF	NIH
<b>Emphasis</b>		Commercialization Potential*	Feasibility*
<b>Clinical Trials Allowed?</b>		No	Yes (some)
<b>Funding</b>	<b>Phase I Funding Limit</b>	\$256,000 for 6-12 Months	\$225,000 for 6-12 Months
	<b>Phase II Funding Limit</b>	\$1 Million for 2 Years	\$1.5 Million for 2 Years
	<b>Funding Beyond Phase II?</b>	Yes (matching, TCEP, other)	Yes (Phase IIB, CRP)
	<b>Business Fee</b>	7% or 10% of Direct + Indirect Costs (Phase I or II, respectively)	7% of Direct + Indirect Costs
<b>Application Process</b>	<b>Direct to Phase II</b>	No	Yes
	<b>Multiple Applications Allowed?</b>	No (one per review period)	Yes
	<b>Submission Dates</b>	<i>Rolling Windows (2020)</i> February 14 - March 5 March 6 - June 4 June 5 - September 3 September 4 - December 3	<i>Cycles (2020)</i> Cycle 1 September 5 Cycle 2 January 5 Cycle 3 April 5
	<b>Phase I Proposal Format</b>	<i>Step 1</i> Pitch (3 pages) <i>Step 2</i> Project Summary (1 page) + Project Description (9-15 pages)	Specific Aims (1 page) + Research Strategy (6 pages)
<b>Other Considerations</b>		EPSCoR Cofunding Opportunities	Applicant Assistance Programs (NCI, NINDS, NHLBI, NIA)

\*Commercial potential and feasibility are evaluated by both agencies