



National Institute on
Deafness and Other
Communication Disorders

Opportunities for Research Training and Career Development

The National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD), part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), supports research training and career development opportunities to prepare a talented and diverse biomedical research workforce focused on communication disorders.

Opportunities are available at universities and institutions nationwide (extramural training) as well as at the NIDCD laboratories and clinics in Bethesda, Maryland (intramural training).

Visit the NIDCD training webpage at <https://www.nidcd.nih.gov/training> to learn more about:

- Types of research training and career development awards
- Institutional training grants
- Current opportunities and how to apply



NIDCD Program Areas

- Hearing and Balance
- Taste and Smell
- Voice, Speech, and Language

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Individual Research Training Programs

Eligibility		FOA*
Predoctoral students		
F30 Individual NRSA [†]	M.D./Ph.D. students at institutions with NIH-funded institutional predoctoral dual-degree training programs	PA-19-191
F30 Individual NRSA [†]	M.D./Ph.D. students at institutions without NIH-funded institutional predoctoral dual-degree training programs	PA-19-192
F31 NRSA [†] Individual Predoctoral Fellowship	Ph.D. students	PA-19-195
F31 NRSA [†] Individual Predoctoral Fellowship to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research	Ph.D. students from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups and those with disabilities	PA-19-196
Postdoctoral students		
F32 Individual NRSA [†] Postdoctoral Fellowship	Postdoctoral students	PA-19-188
F32 NIDCD Research Dissertation Fellowship for Au.D. Audiologists	Au.D. audiologists pursuing a research doctorate	PAR-18-700

Mentored Research Career Development Awards

Eligibility		Independent clinical trial (FOA*)		Basic experimental studies with humans required (FOA*)
		Required	Not allowed	
Postdoctoral students				
K99/R00 Pathway to Independence Award	Ph.D. researchers with <4 years of postdoctoral training	PA-19-129	PA-19-130	PA-19-090
Research audiologists				
K01 NIDCD Mentored Career Development Award	Au.D./Ph.D. audiologists	PAR-18-435	PAR-18-436	PAR-19-142
New and junior investigators				
K01 Mentored Research Scientist Development Award	New and junior investigators	PA-19-127	PA-19-126	PA-19-084
K25 Mentored Quantitative Research Development Award (for Quantitative Scientists)	New and junior investigators	PA-19-125	PA-19-124	PA-19-089
K08 Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award	New and junior clinical investigators	PA-19-116	PA-19-117	PA-19-086
K23 Mentored Patient Oriented Research (POR) Career Development Award	New and junior clinical investigators interested in POR	PA-19-118	PA-19-119	PA-19-087
Established investigators				
K01 Mentored Research Scientist Development Award	Established investigators changing fields	PA-19-127	PA-19-126	PA-19-084
K18 NIDCD Research Career Enhancement Award for Established Investigators	Established investigators developing new research skills	PAR-18-562	PAR-18-564	PAR-19-143
K24 Midcareer Investigator Award in Patient-Oriented Research (POR)	Established clinical investigators in POR and to mentor new clinicians	PA-19-121	PA-19-122	PA-19-088

Other Career-Enhancing Programs

Eligibility		More information
R21 NIDCD Early Career Research (ECR) Award	Early researchers within 7 years of completing their terminal degrees	Clinical trial optional; PAR-18-487 Contact: Bracie Watson, Ph.D. (watsonb@nidcd.nih.gov)
Loan Repayment Program	Clinicians involved in clinical and pediatric research	https://www.lrp.nih.gov

*FOA = Funding Opportunity Announcement

[†]NRSA = Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award

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