Grant Programs

Biomedical Sciences
Career Awards for Medical Scientists: Five-year awards for physician scientists provide $700,000 to bridge advanced postdoctoral/fellowship training and the early years of faculty service. This award addresses the on-going problem of increasing the number of physician scientists and will help facilitate the transition to a career in research.

Collaborative Research Travel Grants: Provide up to $15,000 in support for interdisciplinary biomedical researchers from degree-granting institutions to travel to a laboratory to acquire a new research technique or to facilitate collaboration.

Diversity in Science
Postdoctoral Enrichment Program for Underrepresented Minorities: Provides $50,000 over three years to support the development of underrepresented minority postdoctoral fellows in biomedical research.

Infectious Diseases
Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease: Five-year awards provide $500,000 for opportunities for accomplished investigators at the assistant professor level to study infectious disease pathogenesis, with a focus on the intersection of human and microbial biology. The program is intended to shed light on the overarching issues of how human hosts handle infectious challenge.

Interfaces in Science
Career Awards at the Scientific Interface: Five-year awards provide $500,000 to bridge advanced postdoctoral training and the early years of faculty service. These awards are intended to foster the early career development of researchers with backgrounds in the physical/mathematical/computational/engineering sciences whose work addresses biological questions.

Population and Laboratory Based Sciences
Institutional Program Unifying Population and Laboratory Based Sciences: Five-year awards provide $2.5 million to unite population-level and laboratory-based biological sciences. The award supports the training of researchers working between existing research concentrations in population approaches to health and in basic biological sciences. The goal is to establish interdisciplinary training programs by partnering researchers working in disparate environments and intellectual frameworks.

Regulatory Science
Innovation in Regulatory Science Awards: Provides up to $500,000 over five years to academic investigators developing new methodologies or innovative approaches in regulatory science that will ultimately inform regulatory decisions.

Reproductive Science
Preterm Birth Initiative: Provides $600,000 over a four-year period to bring together a diverse interdisciplinary group with the more traditional areas of parturition research to address the scientific issues related to preterm birth.

Science Education
Career Awards for Science and Mathematics Teachers: Five-year awards provide $175,000 to eligible science or mathematics teachers in the North Carolina public primary and secondary schools. The purpose of this award is to recognize teachers who have demonstrated solid knowledge of science or mathematics content and have outstanding performance records in educating children. The award is a partnership between the North Carolina State Board of Education and BWF.

Student Science Enrichment Program: Three-year awards provide up to $180,000 to North Carolina nonprofit organizations, including public/private schools, universities, colleges, and museums. This program supports creative inquiry-based science enrichment activities that occur outside the typical school day for K-12 students. The program’s goals are to nurture students’ enthusiasm about science, expose them to the excitement of scientific discovery, and interest them in pursuing careers in research or a variety of other careers in science.

Promoting Innovation in Science and Mathematics: Awards up to $4,000 provide teachers with funding for materials, equipment, and training to conduct hands-on, inquiry-based science and mathematics projects in North Carolina public schools.

For complete program information, including deadlines, please visit www.bwfund.org