



## Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University

### Dean's Research Fund: Call for Proposals, 2012

To promote world-standard research and our core mission, the Faculty of Tropical Medicine has created the Dean's Research Fund to support eligible researchers. To foster this funding process, the Faculty is hereby providing funding for selected staff, as follows:

1. Applicants should be current staff of the Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University.
2. The amount of funding available is not limited, but the amount available will be distributed most appropriately among the successful proposals in each grant cycle and according to the budgets presented in the applications.
3. Funding duration will depend on the nature of the project, but will not exceed 3 years.
4. Grantees should produce, as a direct result of their research project, at least one successful publication in an international journal.
5. Applicants should submit one hardcopy (unbound/unstapled) of their research proposal using the Dean's Research Fund Application Form, to the Office of Research Services, Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University, no later than the due date for receipt of applications.
6. The Dean's Research Fund Award Committee will consider all applications for funding and recommend suitable proposals to the Dean for approval. Applications will be reviewed based on the following criteria:
  - a. Innovativeness
  - b. Focus: *Is there a clear scientific hypothesis? Are the aims of study measurable and meaningful?*
  - c. Scope: *Is it realistic and is there a clear outline of how to accomplish the project?*
  - d. Methods: *Is there a clear and well-developed strategy appropriate for study aims?*
  - e. Applications to future study: *Are the results important for future studies?*
  - f. Budget: *Is it reasonable for the scope of the project and is there a sound justification?*
  - g. Publishability and impact
  - h. Opportunity for researcher development
7. Applications for 2012 will be accepted until 16.30hr, Friday 12 October, 2012.
8. Fund disbursement under a Dean's Research Fund Award will occur in 3 stages:

Upon formal approval of the award and signature of the Agreement, 50% of the award funds will be disbursed. After submitting satisfactory progress and financial reports at the end of Year 1, a further 30% will be disbursed. Upon receipt of satisfactory final project and financial reports, and proof of successful publication, the remaining 20% of funds will be released.

Effective beginning this day of signature. Ordered on: 7 September 2012

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