

CONCEPT AWARD

Revolutionizing Tuberous Sclerosis Complex Research

The **Tuberous Sclerosis Complex Research Program (TSCRCP)** Concept Award provides an opportunity for researchers to venture into high-risk/high-reward research that could ultimately lead to a critical discovery or major advancement in the quest to reduce the impact of tuberous sclerosis complex. This award mechanism supports the development of breakthrough preclinical tools or reagents (e.g., animal models, cell lines, or antibodies) needed to advance tuberous sclerosis complex research and the exploration of novel ideas or theories that will enhance existing knowledge of the disorder.

Applicants' names and institutional affiliations are not provided to reviewers, thus presenting an ideal opportunity for investigators working in other areas to transition into the tuberous sclerosis complex field. Because of the groundbreaking nature of this award, proposals do not require preliminary data, but all projects must demonstrate sound scientific rationale. Proposals are limited to three pages in length, and projects involving human subjects or specimens will not be supported unless they are exempt under 32 CFR 219.101(b)(4) (see the FY06 TSCRCP Concept Award Program Announcement for details).

Funding may be requested for up to \$67,000 in direct costs over a 1-year performance period, plus indirect costs as appropriate. Peer review criteria will emphasize innovation and novelty of the concept, feasibility/plausibility, and potential impact on the field of tuberous sclerosis complex research.

Proposals Are Due By:
April 25, 2006

This document is a synopsis of details specific to the TSCRCP Concept Award. A detailed description of this award mechanism along with specific evaluation criteria, submission requirements, and deadlines are available in the FY06 TSCRCP Concept Award Program Announcement found at:

<http://cdmrp.army.mil>

