

***Fiscal Year 2018 Department of Defense Multiple Sclerosis Research Program  
Reference Table of Award Mechanism and Submission Requirements***

Award Mechanism	Eligibility	Key Mechanism Elements	Funding	Submission Deadlines
<p><b>Investigator-Initiated Research Award</b></p> <p>Go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Program Announcement</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">General Application Instructions</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b> <a href="#">W81XWH-18-MSRP-IIRA</a></p>	<p>Independent investigators at or above the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Pre-application submission is required; application submission is by invitation only.</i></b></li> <li>• Supports highly rigorous, high-impact research projects that have the potential to make an important contribution to multiple sclerosis (MS) research and/or patient care.</li> <li>• <b><i>Preliminary and/or published data are required.</i></b></li> <li>• <b><i>Clinical trials are not allowed.</i></b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anticipated that budgets will not exceed <b>\$600,000</b> in direct costs (plus indirect costs).</li> <li>• Period of performance not to exceed <b>3</b> years.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Preproposal):</b> June 26, 2018 5:00 p.m. Eastern time</p> <p>Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> October 18, 2018 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time</p>
<p><b>Exploration - Hypothesis Development Award</b></p> <p>Go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Program Announcement</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">General Application Instructions</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b> <a href="#">W81XWH-18-MSRP-EHDA</a></p>	<p>Independent investigators at or above the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Pre-application submission is required; application submission is by invitation only.</i></b></li> <li>• Supports initial exploration of innovative, high-risk, high-gain, and potentially groundbreaking concepts in the MS research field.</li> <li>• <b><i>Preliminary and/or published data are not required.</i></b></li> <li>• <b><i>Clinical trials are not allowed.</i></b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anticipated that budgets will not exceed <b>\$150,000</b> in direct costs (plus indirect costs).</li> <li>• Period of performance not to exceed <b>2</b> years.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Preproposal):</b> June 26, 2018 5:00 p.m. Eastern time</p> <p>Preproposal is required; Application submission is by invitation only.</p> <p><b>Application:</b> October 18, 2018 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time</p>