

**Fiscal Year 2018 Vision Research Program  
Reference Table of Award Mechanisms and Submission Requirements**

Award Mechanism	Eligibility	Key Mechanism Elements	Funding	Submission Deadline
<p><b>Focused Translational Team Science Award (FTTSA)</b></p> <p><b>Go to:</b></p> <p><a href="#">Program Announcement</a></p> <p><a href="#">General Application Instructions</a></p> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b></p> <p><a href="#">W81XWH-18-VRP-FTTSA</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PIs must be independent investigators at or above the level of Associate Professor (or equivalent) with experience in developing and running large-scale initiatives.</li> <li>• Co-investigators may be independent investigators at all academic levels (or equivalent).</li> </ul>	<p><b>Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports highly collaborative and translational team initiatives that would fundamentally advance the understanding and treatment of military-relevant vision trauma.</li> <li>• Proposed research must focus on eye injury or visual dysfunction as related to a traumatic event. Examples of trauma include, but are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Blast, blunt, thermal or chemical trauma;</li> <li>○ Trauma caused by directed energy weapons such as laser, microwaves and particle beams;</li> <li>○ Ionizing radiation</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Supports a multifaceted, multidisciplinary and highly coherent investigation with 3-5 teams addressing complementary and synergistic questions that center around a specific trauma. Examples of questions include, but are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Elucidation of molecular, cellular, and biophysical mechanisms;</li> <li>○ Identification of biomarkers and potential therapeutic targets;</li> <li>○ Development and validation of therapeutic agents and/or devices;</li> <li>○ Development and validation of drug delivery platforms appropriate for said trauma;</li> <li>○ Development or improvement of</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum funding of <b>\$5.0M</b> for direct costs (plus indirect costs)</li> <li>• Maximum period of performance is <b>4</b> year</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Preproposal):</b> September 4, 2018 5:00 p.m. Eastern time (ET)</p> <p><b>Invited Application:</b> December 4, 2018 11:59 p.m. ET</p>

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		<p>clinically relevant models for said trauma;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Design of protection to mitigate the impact of said trauma on eye and vision.</li> <li>• Preliminary data required.</li> <li>• May include a pilot clinical trial component that collects preliminary data to support the feasibility, rationale and design of subsequent clinical trials.</li> <li>• Emphasis is on synergy, translational potential, and strategy to transition findings into products.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Investigator Initiated Research Award (IIRA)</b></p> <p><b>Go to:</b></p> <p><a href="#">Program Announcement</a></p> <p><a href="#">General Application Instructions</a></p> <p><b>Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number:</b></p> <p><a href="#">W81XWH-18-VRP-IIRA</a></p>	<p>Independent investigators at all academic levels (or equivalent).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Preproposal is required; application submission is by invitation only.</b></li> <li>• Supports studies that will yield highly impactful discoveries or major advancements in the research and/or patient care of military-relevant vision trauma.</li> <li>• Must focus on eye injury or visual dysfunction as related to a military-relevant traumatic event. Examples of trauma include, but are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Blast, blunt, thermal or chemical trauma;</li> <li>○ Trauma caused by directed energy weapons such as laser, microwaves and particle beams;</li> <li>○ Ionizing radiation</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Preliminary data required.</li> <li>• Clinical trials are not allowed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum funding of <b>\$500K</b> for direct costs (plus indirect costs)</li> <li>• Maximum period of performance is <b>3 years</b></li> </ul>	<p><b>Pre-Application (Preproposal):</b> September 4, 2018 5:00 p.m. Eastern time (ET)</p> <p><b>Invited Application:</b> December 4, 2018 11:59 p.m. ET</p>