Cross-Disciplinary Visits and Training Grant

microMORPH promotes and fosters cross-disciplinary training and interaction through a series of small grants that allow graduate students, post-doctoral researchers, and early career faculty to visit labs and botanical gardens. Being listed on the microMORPH community web page is required of all successful applicants (and encouraged for everyone else!).

Award Amount

Each Year, microMORPH is able to fund five graduate student, post-doctoral, or early career faculty cross-training research opportunities for up to $3,500 to cover travel, lodging, and per diem.

Submission Deadline

The next microMORPH Cross Disciplinary Training Grant deadline is 11:30 pm March 1st, 2015.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a microMORPH training grant you must fulfill one or more of the following requirements: 1) you must be a U.S. citizen or, 2) you must be affiliated with a U.S. university or institution (in a graduate program or working as a post-doc or faculty member), or 3) the lab you plan to visit for your training experience must be at a U.S. university of institution.

Required Application Materials

1. A letter from the principle investigator of the prospective host lab (indicating a willingness to host consensus about the proposed activities of the visitor, and an explicit statement acknowledging that the host lab understands that the microMORPH RCN funds may not be used to underwrite the proposed research activities).
2. A research statement from the applicant detailing research plans and interaction (2-3 pages).
3. A proposed budget for travel costs, per diem, lodging, and meals.
4. A letter of recommendation from the applicant’s advisor (if a graduate student) or principle investigator (if a post doctoral researcher). Junior faculty do not need a letter of recommendation.
5. The applicant's CV.
Each letter must be no more than three pages. The applicant letter must specifically document the fact that the training opportunity is aimed at integrating microevolutionary biology and developmental biology. By NSF rules, the budget may not be used to directly fund costs associated with the proposed research activities (e.g., supplies).

**How to Apply**

Applications can be submitted online though the “Submit Applications” box at [http://projects.iq.harvard.edu/micromorph/grants](http://projects.iq.harvard.edu/micromorph/grants). All application materials must be provided as .pdf documents.

**Proposal Evaluation**

Two members of the steering committee (one organismic and one molecular) and a third individual from outside the core participants (chosen by the steering committee) are charged with evaluating applications.

**Questions or Comments?**

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