

Limited Submission Opportunity

NSF Major Research Instrumentation Program: Recovery and Reinvestment (MRI-R²)

NSF 09-561

Limited Competition white paper instructions

Submit one electronic copy of a White Paper containing the following to RDS@uic.edu attn: Tony Halford by 3:00 p.m. on June 15:

1. One (1) Page cover page with following information:
 - a. Name and unit affiliation of PI and Co-PIs
 - b. Sponsor and sponsor program name
 - c. Title of White Paper; prefaced with either “Acquisition” or “Development”
 - d. Estimated total costs and source(s) of cost share
 - e. PI Contact Information
 - f. Business manager contact information

2. Three (3) page narrative including the following:
 - a. Description of instrumentation and needs, noting why it is essential and appropriate. Note whether or not the requested or related equipment is available for use through the Research Resources Center or elsewhere on campus. If yes, please justify request.
 - b. Research and research training activities to be undertaken. Include a list by number and type of the personnel who will use the instrumentation for research and research training activities on a regular basis.
 - c. Statement of Intellectual Merit
 - d. Statement of Broader Impacts
 - e. Considerations for long term management
 - An additional page may be added exclusively for references.
 - Three-page limit is inclusive of tables, figures, or other graphical data.
 - Narrative must be 12-point font; minimum acceptable margin is 1/2” all around.

3. One (1) page – If applicable - If any of the PIs have received NSF support for shared research instrumentation within the past five years please include an additional page of Results from Past NSF Support. This should include information on operation and maintenance, downtime and usage history on the previously funded instrument.

4. Attach the following for PI, CoPIs, senior personnel who will be major users of the equipment, as well as for the individual responsible for instrument management:
 - a. Two (2) page Biographical sketch
 - b. One (1) page current and pending support

5. Attach brief - 1 page or less - letter outlining source(s) of cost share should proposal be selected for submission NSF. Letter must be signed by respective unit head(s)/department head(s)/dean(s) pledging the support.

Please contact Tony Halford at ahalford@uic.edu or 6-6-7036 with any questions.