



## GRANT CATEGORIES

**ESTABLISHED INVESTIGATOR:** Established Investigator grants are designed to provide funding for research by individuals and teams with a previous record of research and publication.

**Qualifications of Applicant:** All investigators are eligible to apply. Competitive applicants have a previous record of research and publication.

**Established Investigator Criteria:** There is no limit to the annual budget request, however the average award is approximately \$50,000.00/year. The maximum study duration is three years.

**FIRST AWARD:** First Award grants are designed to assist new faculty in establishing a successful research program.

**Qualifications of Applicant:** Applicants must have a DVM and/or PhD and a full-time, permanent position in a university, accredited zoo or conservation organization. Applicants must not have received previous funding as a principal investigator or co-principal investigator for more than \$20,000 for any single extramural award.

**First Award Criteria:** The budget cannot exceed \$54,000 per year (\$50,000 per year, plus 8 percent for indirect costs if charged by the institution). The maximum study duration is two years. Applicants must have the support of a faculty mentor in their field.

**PILOT STUDY:** Pilot Study grants are designed to provide funding for innovative ideas to accelerate discovery and advance MAF's mission.

**Qualifications of Applicant:** All investigators are eligible to apply.

**Pilot Study Criteria:** The budget cannot exceed \$10,800 (\$10,000 plus 8 percent for indirect costs if charged by the institution). The maximum study duration is one year. Preliminary data is not required.

**FELLOWSHIP TRAINING:** Fellowship Training grants are designed to assist new investigators in launching a successful research career by providing salary support in a quality mentoring environment.

**Qualifications of Applicant:** Applicants must have a DVM and/or PhD and be a full-time graduate student or have a postdoctoral research appointment. Applicants must not have completed more than two years of full-time postdoctoral research training on the proposed project. Applicants must devote at least 75 percent of their time to the funded research.

**Fellowship Training Criteria:** The budget cannot exceed \$50,000 (including benefits and indirect costs) per year. Funds for this award can solely be used for the fellow's salary. The maximum study duration is two years. Applicants must have the support of a faculty mentor in their field.

**VETERINARY STUDENT SCHOLARS:** The Veterinary Student Scholar program provides veterinary students the opportunity to become involved in mentored research.

**Qualifications of Applicant:** Applicants must be a veterinary student in good standing from any AVMA-accredited US or international college, university or school of veterinary medicine. Students must devote a minimum of 50 percent of their time to the project for the equivalent of a 10- to 12-week period.

**Veterinary Student Scholar Criteria:** This award is a \$5,000 stipend for the sole purpose of supporting the student during the research project. Each institution may select and submit only one student project proposal per year.