

INITIATIVE FOR MULTICENTER PRAGMATIC ANESTHESIOLOGY CLINICAL TRIALS' (IMPACT) AWARD

INTRODUCTION

This award was established by leaders of academic anesthesiology organizations that recognized there was a need to conduct large pragmatic trials in order to answer important questions in anesthesiology-related research.

Although there are several successful anesthesiology clinical trial networks around the world, there is no collaborative network in the United States. In an initial attempt to address this important opportunity, a consortium of academic anesthesiology organizations launched an initiative in 2018 to stimulate pragmatic research in the US.

This effort was conceptualized and endorsed by organizations, which have as a common goal the advancement of knowledge in anesthesiology and the enhancement of care in perioperative medicine, critical care, pain management, and peri- and post-partum care.

These organizations included:

- [Association of University Anesthesiologists \(AUA\)](#)
- [Early-Stage Anesthesiology Scholars \(eSAS\)](#)
- [The Foundation for Anesthesia Education and Research \(FAER\)](#)
- [The International Anesthesia Research Society \(IARS\)](#)
- [The Society of Critical Care Anesthesiologists \(SOCCA\)](#)
- [Multicenter Perioperative Outcomes Group \(MPOG\)](#)
- [Canadian Perioperative Anesthesia Clinical Trials Group \(PACT\)](#)

OBJECTIVE

We are soliciting letters of intent for clinical research proposals from investigators who are interested in leading a pragmatic clinical trial.

This invitation is for investigators to submit letters of intent for pragmatic clinical trials in perioperative medicine. The clinical research proposals will have a high probability of receiving support from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) or another funding agency. Outcomes should be clinically relevant and important to the society.

The clinical trials should focus on any or all of the following areas:

- Operating Room Management
- Pain Management
- Peri- and Postpartum Care
- Perioperative Critical Care
- Postoperative Management
- Preoperative Care/Optimization

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APPLICATION PROCESS

The IMPACT Award grant applications are conducted through ProposalCentral. Please use the site below to access available grant opportunities and submission instructions.

1. Log into: <https://proposalcentral.altum.com/>
2. Click on the "Grant Opportunities Tab"
3. Look under Grant Maker look for "International Anesthesia Research Society" and under Programs look for "AUA IMPACT Award" .
4. Click on "Apply Now" to begin the application.

Applicants must submit a letter of intent (LOI) as stage one of the application process. All applicants will receive an e-mail during the week of December 10 notifying them if they have been selected to move forward with stage two of the process. Stage two of the process will be submitting a full proposal.

The electronic LOI must be submitted by November 16, 2018 at 11:59pm EST.

If you have questions or concerns contact Vivian Abalama, at vabalama@iars.org.

LETTER OF INTENT GUIDELINES

The letters of intent should be no more than 2 pages in length, with 1 page being the Specific Aims page. They should be single spacing, minimum of size 11 font (Arial or Times New Roman) with minimum borders of 0.5 inches

The letter of Intent should include:

- Descriptive title of proposed research
- Name, address, and telephone number of the Principal Investigator(s)
- Names of other key personnel
- Participating institutions
- Number and title of the funding opportunity
- Specific Aims

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