

## **American College of Rheumatology Research and Education Foundation/Arthritis Foundation Career Development Bridge Funding Award**

**Grantor:** American College of Rheumatology Research and Education Foundation/Arthritis Foundation

**Closes:** 5/1/2012

**Maximum:** \$75,000.00

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Cycle III Applications due: 5/1/2012

The REF and the Arthritis Foundation have partnered to create the ACR REF/AF Career Development Bridge Funding Award to help foster investigators in the early stages of their career as they prepare their NIH K08/K23 application resubmissions. Our intent is to provide up to one-year of bridge funding to support these promising applicants as they resubmit their applications. We believe this support will provide the encouragement—and the protected time—they need to succeed in obtaining their K awards, and ultimately, to become independent researchers.

### **Amount of Award**

The REF will provide total support up to \$75,000 in direct costs. The amount of the award can be divided between salary and fringe benefits and/or research costs up to a maximum of \$25,000. Fringe benefits may not exceed 30%. The total salary requested must be based on a full-time, 12 month faculty appointment requiring the candidate to devote a minimum of 75% of full-time professional effort to conducting research with the remaining effort being devoted to activities related to the development of a successful research career. The REF does not allow indirect costs to the institution.

For more information about this award, please contact the REF office by e-mail or by phone at (404) 633-3777.

**Link:** <http://www.rheumatology.org/ref/awards/bfa.asp>