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**LUPUS RESEARCH INSTITUTE**  
**NEW RESEARCH GRANTS FOR NOVEL APPROACHES TO LUPUS**

**Grant Application Deadline: June 1, 2006**

The **Lupus Research Institute** – founded to support highly promising idea-driven novel approaches to discover the cause, improve treatment and cure lupus – invites applications for financial support starting November 1, 2006 for basic and clinical **Novel Research Projects** relevant to Lupus Erythematosus.

Research applications will be judged principally on novelty of hypothesis, scientific quality, strength of approach, relevance to lupus, and likelihood of success. Creativity will be rewarded. Rationale for the hypothesis to be tested rather than preliminary data will be emphasized. **Therefore, continuations of long-term research projects are not appropriate for this submission.** Projects that focus on aspects of the disease that have been less extensively studied and applications from investigators in diverse disciplines (e.g., cardiology, nephrology, dermatology, neurology, and rheumatology), especially those who may not have previously worked in lupus, are especially encouraged.

Investigations should be relevant to mechanisms of the disease or therapeutic approaches to lupus.

Both established and new investigators may apply. Applicants should hold advanced degrees and be affiliated with institutions of higher learning in the United States. Grant applications are limited to six pages. Annual funding of up to \$100,000 per year, for a term of up to three years, will be awarded for approved projects.

For additional information and a copy of the grant application, visit the LRI website – [www.lupusresearchinstitute.org](http://www.lupusresearchinstitute.org) – or contact Laura Hack, Grants Administrator, at [lhack@lupusny.org](mailto:lhack@lupusny.org) or at 212.685.4118.

***Application must be received by June 1, 2006***