**Chan Zuckerberg Initiative: Imaging Scientists Program**

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**Submission Limitations:** None

**Foundation LOI Deadline:** **July 30, 2020, 4:00 PM (ET)**

*Please contact Connor Cook to inform them of your intent to submit*

*The Chan Zuckerberg Initiative invites applications for five-year grants to support the work of Imaging Scientists employed in imaging core facilities at non-profit universities or research institutes across the world.*

The Chan Zuckerberg Initiative (CZI) seeks to support the work of up to 15 Imaging Scientists who will work at the interface of biology, microscopy hardware, and imaging software at imaging core facilities across the world. “Imaging Scientists” might be engineers, physicists, mathematicians, computer scientists, or biologists who have focused on technology development in either light or electron microscopy, medical imaging, or data analysis fields. The primary goal of the program is to increase interactions between biologists and technology experts.

The Imaging Scientists will have expertise in imaging hardware or software. A successful “Imaging Program” will employ an Imaging Scientist who:

a) works collaboratively with experimental biologists on projects at the imaging core;

b) participates in courses that disseminate advanced microscopy methods and analysis;

c) trains students and postdocs in imaging technology;

d) participates in a network of CZI Imaging Scientists to identify needs and drive advances in the imaging field;

e) attends twice-yearly CZI scientific workshops and meetings in imaging and adjacent biomedical areas. Each grant will fund salary and fringe benefits for an Imaging Scientist at the center, a modest travel and teaching budget, plus 15% indirect costs. The award period is three years plus an additional two years, awarded as a separate grant, if the Imaging Program passes a review at year three.

**Eligibility**

● Applications may be submitted by domestic and foreign non-profit organizations; public

and private institutions, such as colleges, universities, hospitals, laboratories, units of

state and local government; and eligible agencies of the federal government.

● An imaging core may submit only one application, but different imaging cores from a

single institution may submit separate applications.

● The person submitting the application on behalf of the imaging core should be the

Imaging Scientist.

● The Imaging Program’s Scientist must be currently employed at the institution submitting

the application. The Imaging Scientist’s Biosketch and Personal Statement must be

provided in the application.

● Imaging cores should serve a broad community of scientists at their institutions, not just

a small number of labs.

● Imaging Scientists should have expertise with either hardware or software. We welcome

applications from both medical and basic science imaging cores.

● CZI encourages applications from underrepresented minorities, women, and early career

scientists.

● Facebook employees, including employees of any subsidiary Facebook entities, are not

permitted to apply.

● CZI reserves the sole right to decide if an applicant and applicant organization meet the

eligibility requirements

**How to Apply**

The Office of Foundation Relations will assist all applicants with CZI’s online grants management portal at <https://apply.chanzuckerberg.com>.

**Key Dates and Budgeting Information**

* June 4, 2020 Application portal opens
* July 30, 2020 Applications due by 5 p.m. Pacific Time (PT)
* October 2020 Earliest notification of decisions (subject to change)
* January 1, 2021 Earliest start date (subject to change)
* Award period and start date: The award period is three years plus an additional two years, awarded as a separate grant, if the Imaging Program passes a review at year three. The start date is no earlier than January 1, 2021. Actual start date may vary.
* The maximum budget that can be requested is $250,000 total costs per year for five years (no more than $1,250,000 total for five years).