

**NIH funding opportunities** 

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The NIH funding opportunities listed below are only a **selection** of pre-screened, currently open health funding opportunities for which **South African institutions are eligible to apply**. For a comprehensive selection of NIH funding opportunities, please visit <u>www.grants.nih.gov</u> or <u>www.sun.ac.za/RDSfunding</u> (current & archive).

## **Important Notice**

**2019 Novel Coronavirus Medical Countermeasure Partnership Opportunities** from the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA), a component of the HHS Assistant Secretary of Preparedness and Response (ASPR). BARDA is continuing to work with its partners to identify promising medical countermeasures and technologies to combat the 2019 novel coronavirus. Now, there are **three ways** you can partner with BARDA to fight the ongoing novel coronavirus outbreak. BARDA is investing in an array of medical countermeasures to diagnose, treat, or protect against the 2019 novel coronavirus under the **BARDA Broad Agency Announcement (BAA-18-100-SOL-00003).** Specifically, BARDA is pursuing the following products or technologies:

- Diagnostic assays for human pan-coronaviruses
- Point-of-Care diagnostic assays for SARS-CoV-2 virus
- Diagnostic assay to detect COVID-19 disease
- Nonclinical model
- Vaccines for novel coronavirus
- Therapeutics for novel coronavirus
- Ventilators
- Immunomodulators or therapeutics targeting lung repair
- Pre-exposure and post-exposure prophylaxis for novel coronavirus exposure
- Respiratory protective devices
- Advanced Manufacturing Technologies

**Due date Stage 1:** 30 April 2020. A receipt confirmation will be sent within 1 week. A response will be provided within 120 days of the submission deadline. **Due date Stage 2 Full proposal:** 31 October 2020. A receipt confirmation will be sent within 1 week. A response will be provided within 120 days of the submission deadline. Submissions must be submitted no later than 4:30 PM Eastern Time.

**Eligibility:** This BAA is open to ALL responsible sources. Offerors may include single entities or teams from private sector organizations, Government laboratories, and academic institutions.

**Funding:** Multiple awards of various values are anticipated and are dependent upon the program priorities, proposals' scientific/technical merits, how well the proposals fit BARDA's areas of interest, and available funds. Anticipated funding for the program is subject to congressional appropriations. The program funding is subject to change due to government discretion and funding availability.

**Contact:** All inquiries and submissions regarding this BAA must be sent to: <u>BARDA-BAA@hhs.gov</u>

**To spur innovation, BARDA has issued its business-friendly, streamlined Easy Broad Agency Announcement** (EZ-BAA) <u>BAA-20-100-SOL-0002</u> to support a number of new medical countermeasures to fight the COVID-19 outbreak. Under the EZ-BAA, BARDA is looking for:

- Molecular diagnostic assay for SARS-CoV-2 virus on existing FDA-cleared platform
- Point-of-care diagnostic assay for detection of SARS-CoV-2 virus
- Diagnostic assay for detection of COVID-19 disease
- Nonclinical model development and screening for SARS-CoV-2 virus
- Alternate vaccine delivery/administration and adjuvants
- Advanced manufacturing technologies

**Eligibility:** Priority will be given to products manufactured in the United States.

Due date: abstract submissions until 1700 HRS ET on 30 June 2020, unless otherwise extended.

**Funding:** Multiple awards are anticipated and are dependent upon the program priorities, scientific/technical merit of submissions, how well submissions fit within the area of interest, and the availability of funding. The program funding is subject to change based on the government's discretion. Additionally, award(s) expected to be made under these Special Instructions 003 will be less than \$750,000 in total government funding.

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More information: <a href="https://drive.hhs.gov/partner.html#ncov">https://drive.hhs.gov/partner.html#ncov</a>

## How to Apply for the EZ BAA and What to Expect

- 1. Review the solicitation on <u>beta.SAM.gov.</u>\*
- 2. Request an account on the EZ BAA Portal.
- 3. Once your account is active, complete the online abstract via the Portal.
- 4. BARDA personnel will review your abstract as described in the solicitation.
- 5. You'll receive an email notification within 30 days.

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