
American Diabetes Association Research Programs

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Diabetes: A Growing Health Crisis with Costs that are Out of Control

5 Years Ago



1 in 13

Americans **Had**
Diabetes
= 23.6M People

Today



1 in 11

Americans **Has**
Diabetes
= 29.1M People

2050



1 in 3

Americans **Will Have**
Diabetes
= 100M+ People

Cost \$174 Billion/Year

\$245 Billion/Year

Catastrophic

Minorities are Disproportionately Affected by Diabetes, Obesity and Complications of Diabetes

- Diabetes
1.7x higher
- Obesity
1.5x higher
- Heart Disease
Risk increased by diabetes and obesity

2050



1 in 2

Americans in High-Risk
Minority Groups

Will Have Diabetes

Blood Glucose Control is Vital for Good Health

Good Health Requires Normal Range



Short Term

Unconsciousness,
Death

Blood Becomes Acidic;
Organ Damage / Death

Long Term

Oxygen Deprivation
Impairs
Brain Function

Entire Body Bathed in
Excess Sugar;
Blood Vessel / Organ Damage
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LT Complication of Diabetes:
Heart Attack, Stroke,
Kidney Failure, Blindness,
Nerve Damage, Amputation

But, Maintaining Normal Blood Glucose is Hard

Constant

Complex

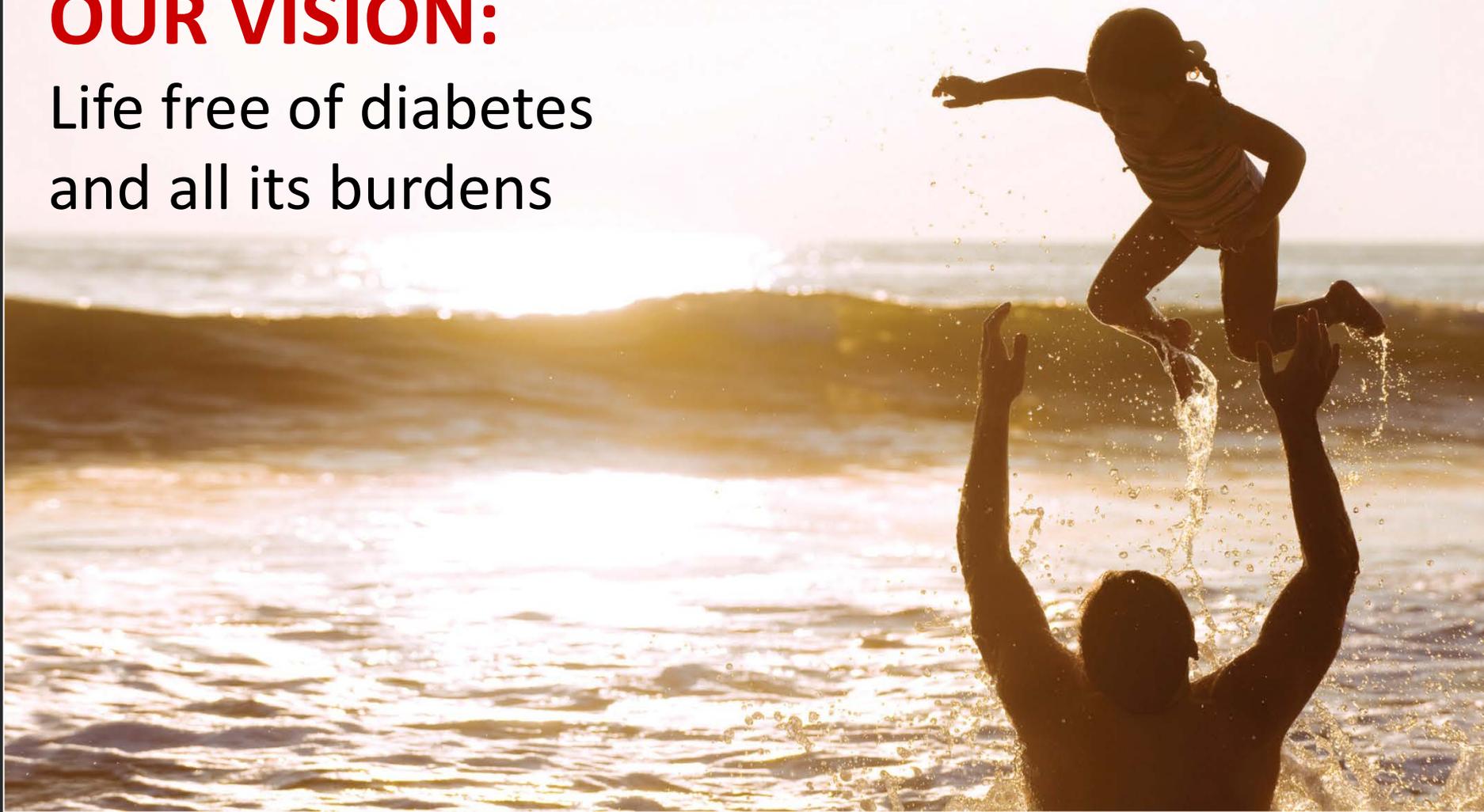
Costly

Overwhelming

 American Diabetes Association®

OUR VISION:

Life free of diabetes
and all its burdens



American Diabetes Association Mission

To prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes

Professional Resources

Scientific Sessions
Professional education
Peer-reviewed journals
DiabetesPro

Medical Information

Clinical Practice Recommendations
(treatment guidelines)
Medical publications

RESEARCH

Direct research funding

Advocacy

Research support
Diabetes prevention and care
Legal advocacy and support
Legislative action

Communities

Community health education programs
Center for Information & Community Support
Forecast magazine
Diabetes.org

American Diabetes Association Research

The Association has been supporting research in the academic community for more than 60 years, significantly contributing to the landscape of diabetes research

Since we funded our first research grant in 1952:

- Supported more than **4,500** research projects
- Invested more than **\$735 million** in diabetes research

In 2015 alone, the American Diabetes Association:

- Made more than **\$31 million** available for research
- Supported **354** active research projects
- Supported investigators at **145** institutions across the United States

American Diabetes Association Research Programs

Association Research Activities fall into three distinct programs:

➤ **Core Research Program**

- Majority of Annual Research Budget (~90%)
- Investigator-initiated research, development and training grants
- Standing annual grant cycles

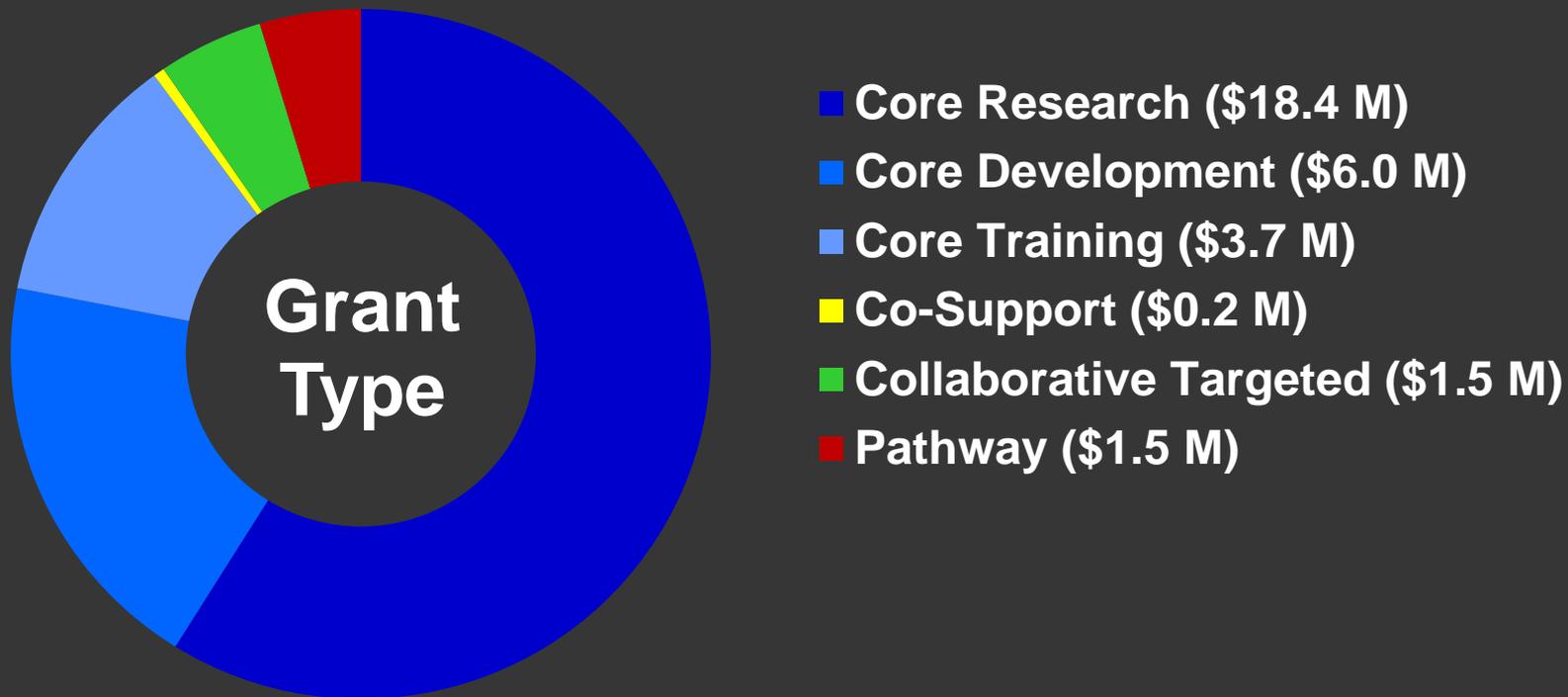
➤ **Pathway to Stop Diabetes®**

- New initiative started in 2013
- Applications by institutional nomination only (one per institution)
- Standing annual grant cycle

➤ **Targeted Research Program**

- Call for applications in specific topic area where there is a need
- Periodic Call for Applications

2015 Research Funding (millions of dollars)



2015 Research Funding (% of dollars)



- Type 1 Diabetes (16%)
- Both Type 1 and Type 2 (19%)
- Type 2 Diabetes (29%)
- Gestational DM (3%)
- Pre-Diabetes (17%)
- Obesity (16%)

2015 Research Funding (% of dollars)



- Basic (64%)
- Clinical/Translational (36%)

2015 Research Funding (% of dollars)



- Adipocyte Biology/Obesity (23%)
- Clinical, Behavior & Epidemiology (19%)
- Complications (15%)
- Genetics (2%)
- Immunology (6%)
- Integrated Physiology (13%)
- Islet Biology and Transplant (10%)
- Signal Transduction (12%)

Core Research Program

Objectives

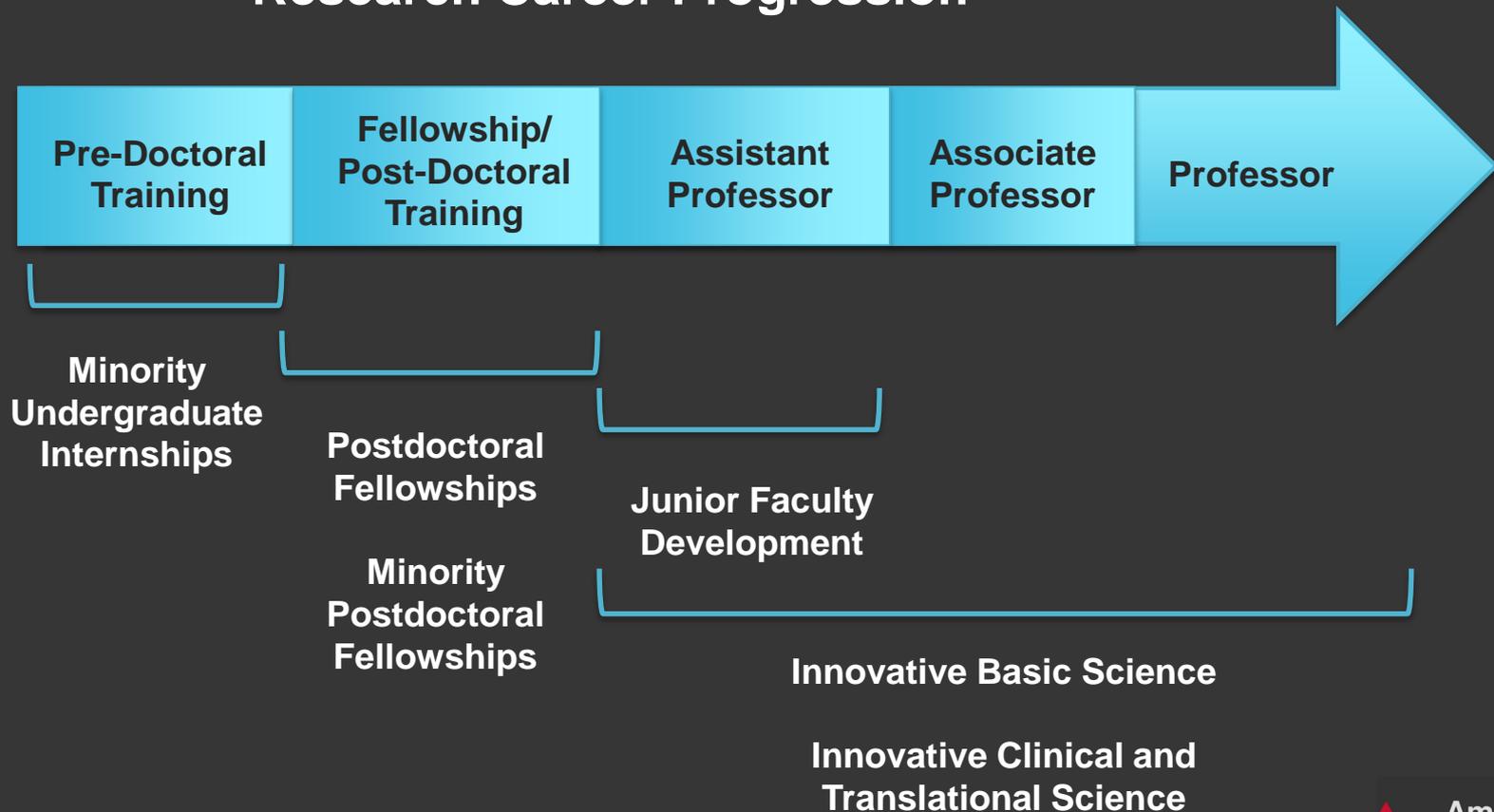
- Support innovative research with a high potential to have a significant impact for people with diabetes
- Encourage new investigators to dedicate their careers to diabetes research
- Support high-quality science across the spectrum of diabetes

Grant Opportunities

- Support for basic, clinical and translational research projects in topics relevant to all types of diabetes and diabetes-related disease states
- Span the entire career spectrum, including personnel grants for training and development, as well as project grants for independent investigators
- Unique opportunities for groups that are under-represented in biomedical research

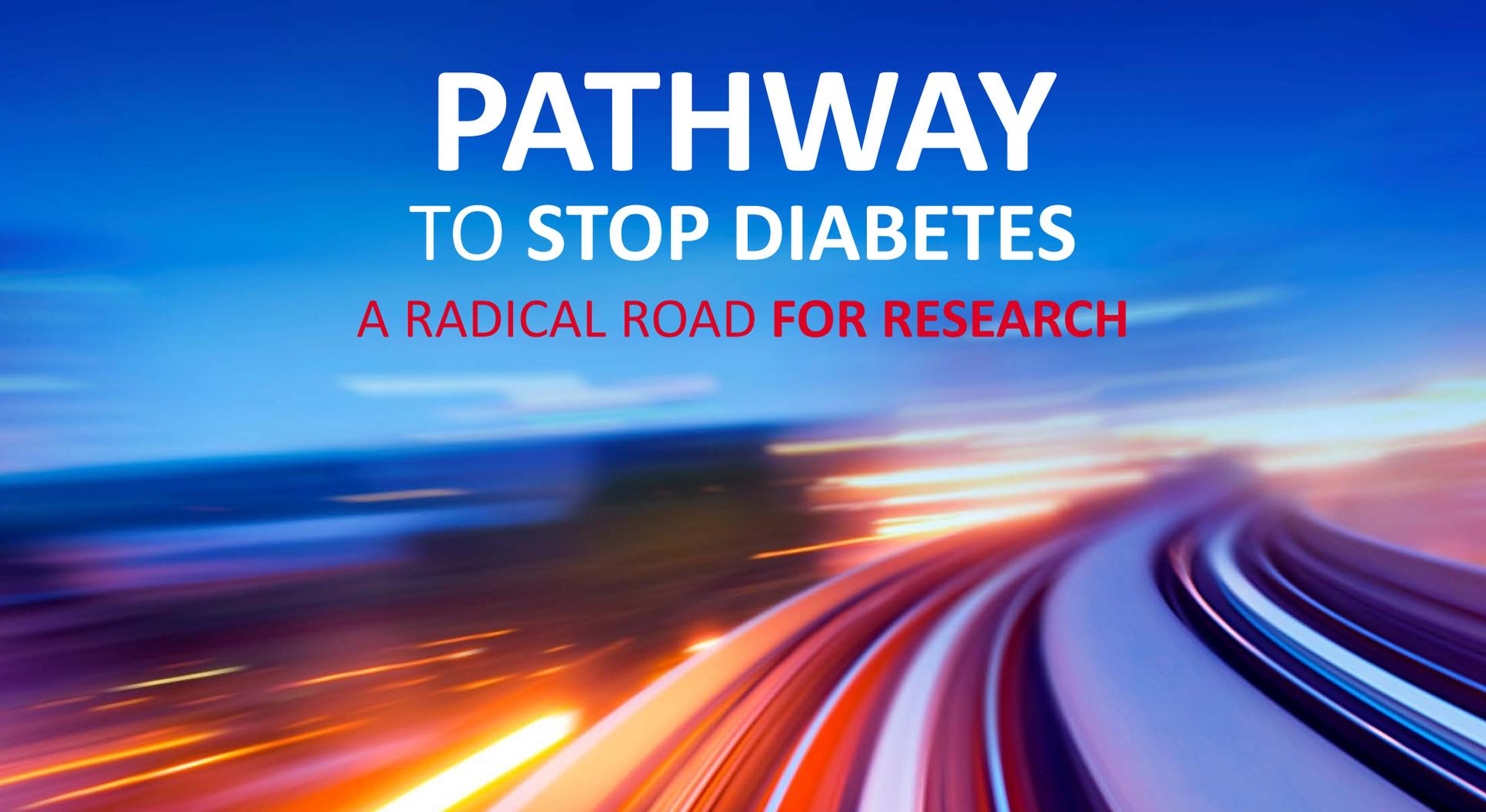
Opportunities Across Career Stages

Research Career Progression



CORE RESEARCH PROGRAM FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

AWARD TYPE	APPLICANT	ELIGIBILITY	MAXIMUM FUNDING
RESEARCH			
Innovative Basic Science Awards	Any level faculty	New and established PIs with <\$500,000 current research support	\$115,000/year, 3 years
Innovative Clinical/Translational Science Awards	Any level faculty	New and established PIs with <\$500,000 current research support	\$200,000/year, 3 years
DEVELOPMENT			
Junior Faculty Development Awards	Faculty up to and including Assistant Professor or equivalent	Junior faculty in independent position, <10 years research training, pre-R01, no concurrent career development support	\$138,000/year, 2-4 years
TRAINING			
Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards	Postdoctoral Fellow	MD, MD/PhD, PhD, DVM with confirmed postdoctoral position by award start date	\$42,000–\$55,272/year, 3 years
Minority Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards	Postdoctoral Fellow	MD, MD/PhD, PhD, DVM with confirmed postdoctoral position by award start date	\$42,000–\$55,272/year, 3 years
Minority Undergraduate Internship Awards	Current ADA-funded investigators	Stipend to support an undergraduate from an underrepresented minority group to perform research in their laboratories	\$3,000 one-time stipend



PATHWAY TO STOP DIABETES

A RADICAL ROAD FOR RESEARCH

 American Diabetes Association®



PATHWAY TO STOP DIABETES

1

Attract Brilliant
Minds at the Peak of
Their Creativity

2

Invest in
People,
Not Projects

3

Provide Freedom,
Autonomy and
Resources

Pathway to Stop Diabetes

What Differentiates Pathway from Other Programs?

- Nomination ... **Rigorous institutional competition**
- Funding ... **Awards of Up to \$1.625 Million**
- Security ... **5 to 7 Years of Support**
- Autonomy ... **The Freedom to Innovate, to Explore, to Blaze New Trails**
- Mentoring ... **Guidance from Distinguished Scientists, Business Leaders and Other Major Donors**
- Collaboration ... **Opportunities to Advance Research and Careers Through Symposia, Speaking Opportunities and Technology**

PATHWAY PROGRAM FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Award	Support		Term	Indirect Costs
Initiator Award				
Researchers in Postdoctoral Training	Up to \$1.625M in two phases			
	Phase 1 (mentored)	\$100,000/year maximum	2 years	10% of directs
	Phase 2 (independent)	\$325,000/year maximum	5 years	30% of directs
Accelerator Award				
Early-Career Diabetes Investigators	Up to \$1.625M	\$325,000/year maximum	5 years	30% of directs
Visionary Award				
Established Investigators, New to Diabetes Research	Up to \$1.625M in two phases			
	Phase 1	\$325,000/year maximum	3 years	30% of directs
	Phase 2 (renewal)	\$325,000/year maximum	2 years	30% of directs

Pathway to Stop Diabetes Progress

- **Three completed annual cycles with >100 nominations per year**
- **To date, 17 awardees selected**
- **Call for Nominations Now Open (July 1 application deadline)**
- **Productivity of current awardees**
 - 16 papers published by *Pathway* scientists, most in high-impact journals
 - More than 100 presentations delivered
 - Two *Pathway* scientists who received Initiator awards successfully transitioned from training into their first faculty positions; one is currently negotiating a faculty offer
 - Three patent applications submitted
 - Results garnering media attention (*Washington Post*, *CBS News*)

Our Research Programs Promote Success



>5 publications
and 13 scientific presentations



75% earn **faculty promotions**



92% receive **subsequent research funding**



99% remain in **diabetes research** careers

American Diabetes Association Funding Provides Critical Research & Career Support



“I can outline a **progressive exponential growth** in my career from the seed that was planted by the ADA funding.”

--Charles F. Burant, MD, PhD
University of Michigan



“The ADA gave me my first grant to do diabetes research in 1999. Without that funding, I would not have **entered the diabetes field.**”

--Laura McCabe, PhD
Michigan State University

Key Dates and Deadlines

Core Research Program

- » April 15: Submission Deadline
- » October: Grant Review Meeting
- » November/December: Funding Notifications



Pathway to Stop Diabetes

- » July 1: Submission Deadline
- » November: Mentor Advisory Group Meeting
- » December: Funding Notifications

Targeted Research Initiatives

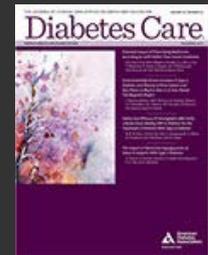
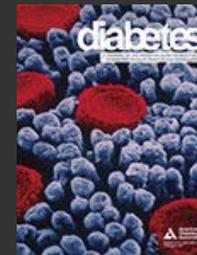
- » As available, advertised on diabetes.org/grants

Please Become Involved!

Apply for Grants

Share your Data

- » Scientific Sessions (June 10-14 in New Orleans)
- » Publish in *Diabetes* and *Diabetes Care*
- » Local presentations



Volunteer

- » Grant Review
- » Scientific Sessions
- » National Committees
- » Local Committees

Participate in Special Events

- » Walk and Ride



Resources

Submission deadlines, detailed application instructions, and open Requests for Applications (RFAs)

- diabetes.org/grants

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