

2019 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Hearing Health Foundation (HHF) requests applications to explore new avenues in the diagnosis and treatment of Ménière's disease.

Since its inception in 1958, HHF (formerly known as Deafness Research Foundation, DRF) has supported hearing and balance research. As the largest nonprofit funder of hearing and balance research, HHF awards Ménière's Disease Grants (MDG) to better our understanding of this complicated condition with an eye for better treatments and cures for those who suffer from Ménière's disease. Only research proposals that meet the below criteria will be considered for the 2019 MDG cycle:

HHF seeks to fund original research focused on the etiology, diagnosis, and treatment of **Ménière's disease.** Areas of interest include:

- · the mechanisms of endolymphatic hydrops,
- · genetics of Ménière's disease,
- · development and validation of biomarkers, including imaging and/or electrophysiologic and behavioral measures for its diagnosis and measurement of therapeutic effectiveness,
- · animal models of Ménière's disease, and
- · the development of novel therapeutics.

Maximum funding for MDG is \$125,000 for the two-year grant period. The application period begins September 14, 2019. Funding begins July 1, 2019.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS MUST:

- · Possess an M.D., Ph.D., Au.D., or equivalent degree; be a postdoctoral, clinician, or clinical/research fellow; or have a faculty appointment.
- Conduct research at an institution within the U.S.
- · Apply for funds only for the proposed project.
- Indicate how the proposed project addresses a question or set of questions that are new, or apply a new approach to an established question or set of questions.
- Both early career and established senior investigators may apply. Please note that early career will be given priority.

APPLICANTS ARE INELIGIBLE IF THEY ARE:

- · Graduate or medical students.
- · Applying for research continuation or bridge funding.

Please note previous DRF/HHF grantees are eligible to apply.

To learn more about eligibility for the MDG program, please visit: hhf.org/how-to-apply-mdg.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND **DEADLINES:**

- Please visit **hhf.org/how-to-apply-mdg** for instructions on submitting an application.
- Full application opens: September 1, 2018.
- Full application deadline: Janaury 15, 2019. Late applications will not be considered.
- Research projects outside the topics listed cannot be considered.

