

SUHF Investigator Program: Early Stage Investigator Research Grant

2024 Program Announcement

Suh Kyungbae Foundation supports basic research in life sciences with the belief seeing the sky beyond the sky (天外有天).

SUHF provides up to 2.5 billion KRW research grants for five years per researcher to create an autonomous research-guaranteed environment where investigators can concentrate on their research.

We are looking forward to numerous applicants who would explore *terra incognita* of life sciences challenging adventurous questions.

1. Supporting Area

- Basic studies of life science expected to be a breakthrough.
 - To pioneer new fields or shift paradigms.
 - To introduce new concepts and original research methods.
 - To investigate unsolved phenomena and principles.
 - That someone should do, even if there is little chance to succeed in a short period.

2. Conditions

- Three awardees per year.
- Grants between 300 to 500 million (KRW) per year (Maximum 2.5 billion won for 5 years).
 - A maximum of 5% of indirect cost and potential gift tax incurred when transferring money abroad are included.

3. Eligibility

- Individuals with Korean citizenship who are affiliated with institutions in Korea or abroad.
- The principal investigators (PI) who research life science at universities, university-affiliated research institutes, and government-funded research institutes.
- No more than seven years of experience as an independent researcher by the day of the program announcement (January 2, 2024): newly appointed as PI from January 2017 to March 2024.
- Grantees must devote more than 51% of their total time and effort to SUHF research.
 - (No restrictions on research funding. Administrative roles are generally restricted during the funding period)
- Re-application is available (distinction from the previous proposal should be ensured).

4. Application Process

- January 2, 2024, ~ March 29, 2024 by 24:00 KST (UTC+9)
- The application must be submitted online through our website (<http://www.suhf.org>).
- The application includes the following components
 - Research proposal: Maximum 10 pages in English with a template from SUHF website.
 - Korean/English abstracts, 3 representative publications (published journal links included), and the current funding status.

5. Selection Process

- The review will be performed by prominent scholars whom SUHF commissioned.
- Semi-finalists will be selected by July 2024 and will be invited to make a presentation in August 2024.
- New SUHF Fellows will be announced on August 27 and they must attend the SUHF celebration on August 30, 2024.
- The research grant agreement is expected to be completed in November 2024, and research funding will be paid in early December 2024.

6. Others

- For additional information, visit our website (<http://www.suhf.org>) or call at +82-2-319-2990.
- Screening procedures and results will be held strictly private and no appeal allowed.