

# Morgellons Research Foundation

## MRF Research Grant Program - Information Packet

Dear Investigator,

The Morgellons Research Foundation (MRF) appreciates your interest in the MRF Research Grant Program. The MRF, which was founded in 2002, is dedicated to funding research efforts to find the cause of, and a cure for, Morgellons disease. The MRF also disseminates information about the illness, provides support to people with Morgellons disease, and has maintained a registry of people with the illness since its inception. The MRF recognizes that the understanding of complex diseases requires unbiased scientific research. It is only through committed research efforts and the open sharing of new information that we will understand the etiology and pathogenesis of this illness. The discovery of this information will allow researchers and clinicians to recommend appropriate diagnostic tests as well as appropriate medical treatment for patients with this illness. The MRF has funded thousands of dollars of research and is committed to funding additional research until all questions about this disease have been answered. We hope that our continued research initiatives provide incentives to scientists, give much-needed hope to individuals with Morgellons disease, and result in useful treatment information for clinicians. The ultimate goal of the MRF is a cure for Morgellons disease

Please find the following MRF documents enclosed:

\* Information about the MRF Research Grant Program: General information about MRF research grants, grant categories and research application information.

\* MRF Research Grant Program: Letter of intent

Currently, the MRF is maintaining an open posture with regards to research grant applications and as such grants have no formal application deadline. Consideration for grants is on a rotational basis. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to receiving your research proposal.

Towards a cure,

Douglas Buckner, PhD, Associate Director

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**Guilderland, NY**  
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### MRF Research Grant Program - General Information

The Morgellons Research Foundation (MRF) is committed to finding a cure for Morgellons disease by funding unbiased scientific research.

Funded projects must fall under at least one of the following research grant categories:

\* Clinical and Applied Research:

- Diagnostic and detection studies

-Treatment studies

\* Original Research Investigation:

- To research new concepts in the field

The MRF will disburse the total award of the grant over the life of the grant and according to the terms of the grant. The Letter of Intent, the Principal Investigator's (PI) research proposal, and the PI's biographical information will be reviewed by members of and consultants to the MRF. Investigators whose research proposal and Letter of Intent are of the greatest interest and scientific value may be asked to submit additional information based on their grant application. Such requests will be made for those

projects which the MRF would consider funding. Funded research proposals will take into account the investigator's:

- \* Impact - significance and contribution to Morgellons disease research, diagnostics, or treatment
- \* Project approach - design, methods, analysis, integration, and objectives
- \* Feasibility - completion and objectives met by the project

**Submitting information:**

MRF intends, at this time, to maintain an open posture with regards to application deadlines. We ask that all Letters of Intent, with accompanying research proposals, be mailed to the MRF directly. Prior to mailing your Letter of Intent, we ask that you first email an electronic version of your document to [Grants@Morgellons.org](mailto:Grants@Morgellons.org)

Letter of Intent below:

Morgellons Research Foundation  
Research Grant Program - Letter of Intent

Mail to:

**Morgellons Research Foundation**  
**PO BOX 357**  
**Guilderland, NY**  
**12084-0357**  
**Email: Grants@Morgellons.org**

Instructions: Complete the form in its entirety. Type must be legible. The Principal Investigator (PI) should include biographical information as an attachment to this form. Furthermore, the research grant proposal should also be attached to this form. Consideration will be given only to those applicants who have completed this form and provided the above required attachments.

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR (PI):

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Name (Last, First, Middle) Title

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Telephone/ Fax/ Email Address

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Department/ Institution

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Street Address

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City State/Province/ Postal Code/ Country

PROJECT CATEGORY: (Select one)

\_\_\_\_ Clinical and Applied Research \_\_\_\_ Original Research Investigation

PROJECT TITLE:

TOTAL REQUEST AND PROJECT DURATION:

Total funds requested: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Duration: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE:

I confirm all information contained in the Letter of Intent is accurate and not misleading.

My institution has approved this project. I acknowledge that I am aware that applications to the MRF Research Grant Program are by invitation only.

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Name of Applicant

Signature of Applicant Date