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The NIH Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs award federal research grants and contracts to small businesses conducting biomedical research. The purpose of these programs is to commercialize innovative technologies that improve health and save lives.

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Targeted FOAs
- NIH’s Institutes and Centers (ICs) also release SBIR/STTR solicitations focused around particular topics

Other FOAs
- For a full list of SBIR/STTR solicitations, including SBIR contract, visit: https://sbir.nih.gov/funding

If you have questions about any of these steps, please contact sbir@od.nih.gov, or the program officer at the NIH IC that’s most clearly related to your research topic.

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NIH’s SBIR and STTR Programs Can Help Your Small Business Receive R&D Funding

Follow these steps to find out how to get started on your application:

- Determine which Funding Opportunity is Best Suited for You
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- Decide between SBIR and STTR Funding
  - **SBIR:** Principal Investigator: Must be employed by the small business
    Research Partner: Research partner optional, total effort up to 33% for Phase I and 50% for Phase II
  - **STTR:** Principal Investigator: Can be employed by the small business or a non-profit research institution
    Research Partner: Required. Formal collaborative effort between small business (minimum 40%) and non-profit research institution (minimum 30%)

- Submit Your Application Early
  - The grants registration process can take 6-8 weeks!
  - There are 5 required registrations:
    1. DUNS
    2. Sam.gov
    3. Grants.gov
    4. eRA Commons
    5. SBA Registry

- Standard Grant Due Dates:
  - Phase I and Phase II: September 5, January 5, April 5
  - NEW!

View NIH SBIR/STTR Success Rates: https://sbir.nih.gov/statistics
Follow the below steps to get started on the application process!

Niche Assessment Program: Provides active Phase I awardees with market research, and consumer and competition analysis.

Commercialization Accelerator Program (CAP): Trains Phase II awardees on developing strategies related to market entry, partnerships, regulatory and reimbursement paths, financing, and intellectual property.

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