

Choosing Appropriate Grant and/or Funding Agency

Ask each table leader to come prepared to discuss:

Rs: The table moderators for this group should be prepared to discuss the 3 main R-awards: R03, R21, and R01. They should discuss the differences in grant duration, amount of money that can be requested, and main advantages and disadvantages. They should discuss the objective or goals of each type of mechanism (e.g. R21 high risk high reward) and how the grants are differentially reviewed. They should also provide guidance as to how one might determine what is the best mechanism for their project. They should provide any tips or strategies for successfully winning awards.

VA/DOD/NSF: The table moderators for this group should be prepared to discuss the different funding agencies interested in MSK research and the types of awards available. They should discuss important differences in the application process/objectives (e.g. NSF should not be “health related”; that a VA appointment is required to apply for VA funding, etc). They should provide general guidance on how these grants are reviewed. They should discuss whether retooling a grant that was not funded from one agency could be appropriate for another agency. They should provide any tips or strategies for successfully winning awards.

Career Development: The table moderators for this group should be prepared to discuss the various F/T/K awards available. They should discuss the level of training required (e.g. doctoral, postdoctoral, faculty and what level). They should discuss the percent effort required and the supply funding allowable. They should discuss how these grants are reviewed (e.g. project vs. candidate vs. training plan etc). They should provide any tips or strategies for successfully winning awards. Training grants other than NIH training grants can also be discussed.