

FAES/OARDC Research News

June 2015

Research News is a monthly electronic newsletter for faculty and other members of the FAES research community that summarizes upcoming funding opportunities, provides updates, FAES grant awards, and grant writing information.

Updates

Headings below in **BLUE** are linked to the specific topic.

[2015 OSU Financial Conflict of Interest Disclosure](#)

Don't forget to complete the 2015 financial conflict of interest disclosure! Each year, The Ohio State University requires certain faculty, staff members and students to complete an annual financial disclosure to comply with federal and state conflict of interest (COI) regulations, accreditation requirements and Ohio State faculty and staff COI policies. This year, the new disclosure period began April 22, 2015, with the required one-year look back disclosure period for 2015 going back to April 2014.

[D.C. Days](#)

Three faculty members recently traveled to Washington, D.C., as part of the DC Days program. Created by the OARDC Director's Office and CFAES's Grant Development Support Unit, the program was designed to increase the competitiveness of grants submitted by emerging faculty researchers by providing them an opportunity to visit with a variety of federal agencies and program officers. [Read more...](#)

[The U.S. Cluster Mapping site](#) provides over 50 million open data records on industry clusters and regional business environments in the U.S. to promote economic growth and national competitiveness. It is led by Harvard Business School's Institute for Strategy and Competitiveness in partnership with the U.S. Department of Commerce and U.S. Economic Development Administration.

[OSU Writing Center offers free feedback for the summer](#)

The Writing Center is open for the summer and offers 50-minute face-to-face and online appointments with trained writing consultants — for free. We welcome all writers of the Ohio State community with any kind of writing and at any stage of the writing process. We'll work with you on personal statements, thesis projects, dissertations, grants, journal articles, artist statements, creative writing and more!

[Discovery Themes Fall Forum: Translational Data](#)

[Analytics](#) **Thursday October 8, 2015, 1-5 pm**

A showcase for data analytics scholarship across teaching and research, including a look at the role of data analytics in answering today's biggest research questions. Faculty, post-docs and students working in or with data analytics and decision science are encouraged to participate.

Call for Posters

Do you have a project, study or discovery related to data analytics or decision science? Plan to present a poster at the TDA Fall Forum. It's an opportunity to discuss your work, meet new colleagues in the field, connect with potential collaborators, and see the future home of Translational Data Analytics @ Ohio State in Pomerene Hall. If interested in submitting a poster, follow this link [I am interested in submitting a poster.](#)

[Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research Names First Executive Director](#)

Dr. Sally Rockey will join the Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research (FFAR) as its first executive director. Rockey, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) deputy director for extramural research, will assume her new role in September 2015. The Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research is focused on catalyzing innovation to solve pressing challenges in food and agriculture.

[Applications accepted for Fulbright Scholar award](#)

The Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program is accepting applications for 2016-17. The program provides 800 U.S. faculty and professionals with opportunities to lecture and conduct research abroad each year. Fulbright awards for U.S. scholars are sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and administered by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars. Deadline is Monday (8/3).

Faculty Achievements & Recent Awards

Esther Vanderknaap (Hort & Crop Science) and **Biao Ding** (Molecular Genetics), were awarded **\$5,080,274** from the National Science Foundation, NSF Integrative Organismal Biology program to research *Exploitation of Genetic and Epigenetic Variation in the Regulation of Tomato Fruit Quality Traits*. Subawardees include the College of Wooster, University of Florida, University of Massachusetts, and the Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research, also an International collaborator, the Polytechnic University of Valencia.

Summer Training Opportunities for Faculty and Staff

[Buck-IRB General Training](#)

117 Research Administration Building, Columbus
Thursday, June 25, 2015, 3-4 pm

[Buck-IRB Training – Continuing Reviews and Amendments](#)

117 Research Administration Building, Columbus
Wednesday, July 15, 2015, 3-4 pm

[Creating Data Management Plans with the DMP tool](#)

149 Thompson Library
Thursday, July 9, 2015, 1-2 pm

[Project Monitoring-Grant Management Training for Departmental Staff](#)

Prior Health Science Library
Tuesday, July 21, 2015, 9-10:30 am

Funding Opportunities

If you have questions about the process or need assistance with proposal development and submission, contact the Grant Development Support Unit at gdsu@osu.edu or 330-263-3647.

Finding Funding

SPIN- provides a comprehensive view into the realm of research grants, fellowships, training and various other funding opportunities. Over 10,000 sponsors are covered, making SPIN one of the largest sources of funding information, and an efficient means of identifying the sources of support for your next project. Download the [SPIN Reference Guide](#) for more information. Learn how to create a [GENIUS profile and SMARTS funding alerts](#).

[USAID Feed the Future Call for Concept Note](#)

The USAID Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Collaborative Research on Sustainable Intensification at Kansas State University invites the submission of concept notes from eligible entities to compete for research sub-award projects. Concept notes will be reviewed and may lead to an invitation to submit a full proposal.

Up to US \$8 million is potentially available through this RFA which will likely support 6 to 8 projects over 4 years. Collaboration or partnerships with relevant and appropriate host country organizations, other universities, the CGIAR system, and/or development community

partners is required. Target regions include Asia, West Africa, and East Africa and within these regions there will be an emphasis in Bangladesh, Cambodia, Burkina Faso, Senegal, Ethiopia, and Tanzania.

Research sub-award projects focused on the development and implementation of sustainable intensification practices in one or more of the target countries will be competitively selected. **DUE: July 10, 2015**

Food and Farm Communications Fund Accepting LOIs for Public Media Campaigns for Sustainable Agriculture

The [Food and Farm Communications Fund](#) was established in 2012 to help educate the public about the sustainable food and agriculture field. Grants of up to \$100,000 will be awarded for targeted media/communications efforts, projects that aim to remove the "roadblocks" to better communications aimed at affecting consumers and public opinion, and/or media and communications campaigns that address specific public policy issues. Contact [Meg Savane](#) for assistance with your application. **LOI DUE: July 1, 2015**

[U.S. Wheat & Barley Scab Initiative](#)

Request for project pre-proposals

Proposed research should be based on the FY16-17 Program Descriptions and Research Priorities (derived from the goals of the USWBSI's Action Plan (http://scabusa.org/pdfs/uswbsi_action-plan_web.pdf).

The Action Plan will lead to greater collaboration and communication, and more rapid attainment of the Initiative's mission "To enhance food safety and supply by reducing the impact of Fusarium Head Blight (scab) on wheat and barley." **DUE: August 3, 2015**

[Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease](#)

[About the Award: Burroughs Wellcome Fund](#)

The Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease (PATH) award provides \$500,000 over five years to support accomplished investigators at the assistant professor level to study pathogenesis, with a focus on the interplay between human and microbial biology, shedding light on how human and microbial systems are affected by their encounters. **DUE: July 15, 2015**

[Ohio State University/FAPESP Joint Call for Proposals](#)

Researchers from any department and discipline affiliated with The Ohio State University and the Higher Education Research Institutions in the State of São Paulo, Brazil, are invited to submit proposals for the support of research projects involving the exchange of researchers between the São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP) and Ohio State University. This [Call for Proposals](#) offers two funding opportunities – Mobility Grants and Regular Research Awards. **DUE: July 13, 2015**

[Accelerator Awards for Inventors](#)

Accelerator Awards, sponsored by the Technology Commercialization Office (TCO), Office of Research and Rev1 Ventures (formerly TechColumbus), provide Ohio State researchers with a small amount of capital to further develop and validate inventions, software and technologies. Awards of up to \$50,000 are granted twice each year and are available to all Ohio State faculty, postdoctoral and graduate student researchers who have disclosed their inventions to TCO. **DEADLINE: Ongoing**

[Ohio Environmental Protection Agency](#)

Ohio Environmental Education Foundation mini grants and grants will be awarded to statewide and local organizations for the implementation of projects that raise awareness and educate the public about important

environmental issues that impact the state. For 2015, the OEEF has four targeted areas of focus where Ohio EPA has determined an immediate need for more educational and awareness outreach efforts due to significant environmental impacts in our state, [read more...](#) Letter of Intent **DUE: July 8, 2015**

[BARD Funding Opportunity](#)

The US-Israel Binational Agricultural Research and Development Fund (BARD) seek projects for their Research Grant Program, Postdoctoral Fellowship Program, Senior Research Fellowship Program, Graduate Fellowship Student Program and Workshop opportunities.

DUE: Research Grants, September 9, 2015

DUE: Fellowship Programs, January 18, 2016

OPEN USDA-NIFA Funding Opportunities

[AFRI-FOUNDATIONAL PROGRAMS](#)

USDA- NIFA- AFRI

DUE DATE: Varies by program area

[Specialty Crop Research Initiative \(SCRI\)](#)

DUE DATE: July 2, 2015

[Water for Agriculture Challenge](#)

USDA – NIFA - AFRI

Letter of Intent Deadline: April 9, 2015

DUE DATE: July 16, 2015

[Biomass Research and Development Initiative \(BRDI\)](#)

(USDA and DOE)

Full Application Due: July 27, 2015

[Rural Cooperative Development Grant Program](#)

DUE DATE: July 27, 2015

To submit news items or request certain topic areas, email FAES Grant Support at gdsu@osu.edu

Links:

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[Research News Archive](#)

[Grants Toolkit](#)