



Society of Vascular and Interventional Neurology

Pilot Research Grant Application

Pilot Research Grant Program: SVIN recognizes the need to stimulate investigator-initiated research programs in the field of vascular and interventional neurology. The SVIN Pilot Research Grant Program provides a two-year, source of funding to help principal investigators generate preliminary data that will lead to additional funding from other national agencies or foundations. Priority is given towards research that will provide preliminary data for future substantial grant applications. In this spirit, new or innovative projects will be supported but should have a sound medical/scientific justification. A scientific panel will review the applications, and the final award will be subject to approval by the SVIN Board.

Scientific Review Panel: The scientific review panel consists of the SVIN Research Committee. The review panel will consist of individuals with expertise in either basic or clinical research. The Chair of the pilot grant program will assign all grants for review and will serve as the Chair of the scientific review panel. Each grant application will be thoroughly evaluated by the full SVIN Research Committee and scored by all members of the review panel and the average score determined. In the event that a committee member submits or is a co-investigator of a pilot research proposal then they will be excluded from discussions about or the final voting regarding this proposal. The Chair may appoint an ad hoc reviewer in order to obtain additional expertise regarding a specific proposal.

Specific Grant Details:

1) **Applicant Qualifications:** The applicant must be a current member of SVIN.

2) **Grant Application Funding Level:** This pilot program provides up to \$20,000 in grant support and anticipates funding up to six projects every two years. There may be the possibility of an additional year of support based on research progress and/or program need. The scientific review panel has the opportunity to not award all six funding levels if they see fit.

3) Budget:

- a) Salary support for the PI is generally not provided in this pilot grant program. The goal of the grant is that it can include salary support for support staff, i.e. statistician, or a person who assists with collecting data. However, for specific circumstances the PI may request an exception with appropriate justification.
- b) Indirect costs to the affiliated department or university will not be provided through this grant program.
- c) Salary support is available for personnel such as technician or statistician.
- d) Funds for supplies are included in this grant.
- e) Funds for equipment purchase are generally excluded except through significant justification.
- f) Proposals with overt commercial value are excluded from this pilot program.

5) **Proposal** (The applicant must provide **one electronic PDF** submission of the entire application components to SVIN at education@svin.org.)

- a) Summary Sheet (provided below)
- b) Cover Letter
- c) Specific Aims
- d) Back/Project Significance (Brief Description)
- e) Research Design/Strategy
- f) Specific Hypothesis to be Tested or General Study Purpose
- g) Dependent / Outcome Variables

- h) Independent / Predictor Variables
- i) Target Population/Sample
- j) Budget
- k) Other support information, including all grants received in the preceding 5 years and publications that resulted from those grants.
- l) Addendum – the applicant may include one reprint or preprint.

6) Important Dates:

Submission deadline is **August 27th, 2021 at 5:00 pm CST**. Grant review will take place from August 14, 2021 to August 27, 2021. The awardees will be announced at the SVIN Annual Business Meeting and a start date of January 1, 2022 is anticipated for the funding.

SVIN Pilot Research Grant Timeline:

- August 27, 2021 Full grant submission deadline
- September 17, 2021 Review Committee Deadline
- November 18, 2021 Awardee/s will be announced at the SVIN Annual Business Meeting
- January 1, 2022 Anticipated funding start date

Please submit applications electronically to education@svin.org. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the SVIN Executive Office at education@svin.org or (952) 646-2045.

**The Society of Vascular and Interventional Neurology Pilot Research Grant Proposal
APPLICATION SUMMARY SHEET**

Date: _____

Research Proposal Title: _____

Principal Investigator: _____

Level Submitted: _____

(Options Include: Trainee, Junior, Senior, Healthcare Disparities)

Name: _____

Academic Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Agreement

If this proposal is funded by SVIN then I agree to provide a mid-year progress report and a project summary and financial statement within 60 days of the completion of the funding time period. In addition I agree to return any unused funds to SVIN and to acknowledge the grant support in writing in any abstract or publication that results from this grant.

Printed Name of Principal Investigator

Signature of Principal Investigator

Signature of Department Chair (if applicable)

Date

Date



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Instructions for SVIN Pilot Research Grant Application

General Instructions

All documents should be generated using word processing software and then converted to PDF using PDF generating software. No Word documents will be accepted.

Applications must be submitted as a single file and containing ALL the sections indicated in the table below under page limits. **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED.**

Please submit your application electronically to education@svin.org

If human subjects are to be enrolled the candidate must submit a copy of the IRB letter of approval prior to receiving the funds. However, such letter is not required with the initial application.

Deadline: August 27 at 5:00 pm CST. Applications submitted after 12:00 pm, CST will not be accepted.

File Name

Save all files with descriptive file names starting with your last name followed by the title of your project. For example, "Nguyen Ischemic Stroke.pdf"

Font

Prepare the application using Arial or Helvetica typeface in black font color. Font size in each final PDF document must be at least 11 points (or larger).

Paper Size and Page Margins

Final PDF documents should be formatted to be no larger than standard U.S. letter paper size (8 ½" x 11). The final PDF document should have at least one-half inch margins (top, bottom, left, and right) for all pages.

Page Formatting

Please use only a standard, single-column format for the text.

Figures, Graphs, Diagrams, and Tables

You may use a smaller type size but it must be in a black font color, readily legible, and follow the font typeface requirement. Color can be used in figures; however, all text must be in a black font color, clear and legible.

General Grantsmanship Style

Use Standard American English and avoid jargon. If terms are not universally known, spell out the term the first time it is used and note the appropriate abbreviation in parentheses.

Section of Grant Application	Strict Page Limit Requirements
Cover Letter	1
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All pages should be numbered in sequential order starting with the Face Page.

Page numbers should appear at the bottom center part of the page.

Specific Instructions

Research Strategy

A sound research project that is consistent with the candidate's level of research development and objectives of his/her career development plan must be provided. The research description should demonstrate not only the quality of the candidate's research thus far but also the novelty, significance, creativity and approach, as well as the ability of the candidate to carry out the proposed research. The application must also describe the relationship between the mentor's research and the candidate's proposed research plan.

Budget

Salary support for the PI is generally not provided in this pilot grant program. The goal of the grant is that it can include salary support for support staff, i.e. statistician, or a person who assists with collecting data. However, for specific circumstances the PI may request an exception with appropriate justification. This award will not support purchase of equipment or other material needed for the proposed research plan.