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Medical Research Grant Guidelines

Friends for an Earlier Breast Cancer Test, formerly Friends... You Can Count On ® is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting awareness and education and to raising funds for research into earlier detection of breast cancer. Since its inception in 1995, ***Friends*** has awarded nearly \$3 million in seed grants to qualifying projects. We continue to offer several grants to be used for pilot projects in the area of early breast cancer detection. We award up to \$40,000 (direct costs only) over a 1-3 year period.

We are requesting applications for pilot projects that focus on new methods to improve detection of early breast cancer and are especially interested in the development of new techniques in the areas of biological or immunologic methods of early detection. It is hoped that pilot projects will provide preliminary data that leads to applications for more substantial peer-reviewed funding.

Applications are accepted from both established investigators who have funding but want to embark on a new area, as well as those less experienced. In either case, the proposal should represent a new approach to the area of interest. Funds will not be given to enhance ongoing research unless it is clear that a new line of inquiry is being explored. We welcome both domestic and international research proposals.

Please see our **Grant Application Instructions** to learn how to apply by the **December 1st** deadline.