

# Funder Spotlight

This new series highlights public and private funders you may want to learn more about. Sign up for the funder's listserv or newsletter to keep updated on future grant announcements, or create a reminder on your calendar to check back on the funder website.

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**Want to discuss** your project idea or possible funding sources, get feedback on your grant documents, or access other grant seeking support? Contact [Melanie Bauer](#), the NSU Grant Writing Manager.

## *BrightFocus Foundation*

<b>Type</b>	Private foundation
<b>Priorities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alzheimer's disease research</li><li>• Macular degeneration research</li><li>• Glaucoma research</li></ul>
<b>Link to Grants</b>	<a href="https://www.brightfocus.org/about/for-scientists/apply-for-a-research-grant/">https://www.brightfocus.org/about/for-scientists/apply-for-a-research-grant/</a>
<b>Fast Facts about Funding History</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For more than 50 years has supported disease-focused research to facilitate new treatments, prevention strategies, and diagnostic tools</li><li>• Browse funded projects by program to understand typical award sizes and recipients in their <a href="#">grant search database</a></li><li>• Check out the 2025 research portfolios of the <a href="#">Alzheimer's</a>, <a href="#">macular degeneration</a>, and <a href="#">glaucoma</a> research programs to view past funded projects</li></ul>

## Notable Grant Opportunity

### [Macular Degeneration Research](#)

Three award types under this research program: Postdoctoral Fellowship (up to \$200,000, 2 years), New Investigator Grant (up to \$450,000, 3 years), and Innovative Research Grant (up to \$600,000, 3 years). Supports research covering a variety of areas, including biological causes of macular degeneration, new clinical treatment, and high-risk/high-gain research. Details about the program and grant application instructions will be made available when the Letter of Intent period opens.

## Other Things to Know

- Supports research across the continuum from basic to translational and clinically oriented
- Hosts [“Fast Track” workshops](#) for early-career scientists from around the world to learn about the latest research, receive mentorship from expert scientists, and learn practical skills like how to write a grant

## What Should You Do Next?

- Find more grant opportunities using [Atom](#)
- Reach out to staff in the [Grant Lab](#) to discuss a grant or funder
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