

<b>Application Information</b>			
<i>Name of the officer proposing project on behalf of host organization (Applications must be proposed by the Office of Sponsored Research or by a similarly authorized officer of a U.S. or international institution of higher education or non-profit research organization.)</i>			
<b>Organization:</b>			
<b>Salutation:</b>			
<b>First Name:</b>		<b>Last Name:</b>	
<b>Email Address:</b>		<b>Title or authorization</b>	
<b>Proposal Details</b>			
<b>Proposal Title</b> <i>(60 characters including spaces)</i>			
<b>Project summarized by</b> <i>For example, a qualified Principal Investigator who could lead the project</i>			
<b>Project Proposal summary</b> <i>A short description of the scientific project and desired outcome (maximum 500 words)</i>			
<p><b>The Kavli Foundation sometimes seeks to amplify impact by partnering with other funders. Granting permission to share this application is optional and is not considered as a criterion in the review process.</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I authorize The Kavli Foundation to share this proposal with other potential funders</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Do not share this proposal with other potential funders</p>			
<p><b>Would you be open to discussion to collaborate with other synergistic projects from this call?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Check to indicate potential interest in discussing collaboration options</p>			

### Supporting Materials

- **Letter of proposal from the host organization**
- **Scope of Work Document** not to exceed 4000 words, word count does not include bibliography. The format is not specified by the most compelling documents will concisely address:
  - Core scientific question
  - Importance and impact
  - Transformative potential
  - Research approach and management plan, including details on collaborations (if applicable). Collaborative projects, including multi-organization collaborations, are encouraged
  - Key risks and learning from “failure”
  - Decisive tests or exploratory activities
- **Proposed budget with line-itemized costs: salary, travel, equipment, data management, supplies, or other research expenses**
- **Proposed initial project timeline** with milestones and suggested evaluation checkpoints, including criteria for success and recommended accomplishments by the end of the project. The timeline will demonstrate that a concrete and rational plan has been established to manage the project, but should not be excessive in detail.

### **Additional forward guidance**

Proposals will be evaluated based on scientific impact, innovation, boldness and thoughtfulness of project design, alignment with the [Foundation's principles](#), and adherence to eligibility criteria. The most compelling proposals will:

- be driven by a specific, well-defined scientific question(s), not just a method, platform, or application
- work to produce enduring, foundational knowledge
- address important gaps or barriers blocking progress in NNMs
- generate insights that are broadly useful beyond a single system
- have the potential to open new directions or redefine existing directions
- challenge existing assumptions
- explore or enable unconventional ideas or approaches
- pursue questions that are difficult or currently intractable
- represent a step-change in thinking, more than extend existing approaches
- demonstrate thoughtful engagement with risk; risk is expected and encouraged but strong proposals will demonstrate an intellectual control of that risk, including explaining why the risks are scientifically meaningful
- convey compelling evidence that Kavli Foundation support might be catalytic for progress that might not otherwise occur or stimulate broader engagement and impact
- a proposal is competitive if it might “fail” for interesting reasons
- outline a project design that could generate decisive scientific insight, including experiments, models or analyses that have the potential to test core ideas or answer core questions
- demonstrate alignment between scientific ambition and requested resources
- leverage collaboration and complementary expertise to work effectively towards the common goals, where this could enable or accelerate progress
- efforts to broaden, strengthen or extend the scientific community are valued
- A proposal may be highly competitive even if feasibility is uncertain or outcomes are difficult to predict, provided that the scientific question is compelling and the potential insight is significant.