



ASSIST

(Application Submission System & Interface for Submission Tracking)

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ASSIST = Web-based system for preparation and submission of multi-project applications

ASSIST ≠ Grants.gov

ASSIST ≠ eRA Commons

ASSIST ≠ LBNL's eSRA



NIH Webinar

- NIH held an extensive webinar in December 2012 about the ASSIST system.
- If you are going to submit a Multi-Project application to NIH, listen to the webinar.
- Review the webinar at the OER Webinar Listing site:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/upcoming_webinars.htm

(This presentation shows some excerpts from that webinar's PowerPoint slides.)

- Roll-out starts now with complete implementation in January 2014

- Now for pilot opportunities only
- NIH will post 6-9 pilot Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) with deadlines between January and September 2013
 - Electronic submission **required**
 - Paper PHS 398 applications will **not** be accepted
 - Participating FOAs will clearly state that they are part of the pilot and require electronic submission

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/ElectronicReceipt/files/Timeline_NIH_Complex_Transition.pdf

Electronic submission required for all applications following activity-code transitions:

- September 25, 2013 deadlines and beyond
 - P01, P20, P50, R24, U19, U24
- January 25, 2014 deadlines and beyond
 - G12, P30, P40, P41, P42, P51, P60, R28, U10, U41, U42, U45, U54, U56, UC7, UM1

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-12-161.html>



Access & Preparation Benefits

- **ASSIST application is never on anyone's desktop, so we avoid the problems of Mac/PC**
- **Multiple people can work on the application at the same time.**
 - **A form is locked whenever anyone is editing it so only one person can edit a form at a time**
 - **When components are completed they are marked "final" so no more edits can be made**

Access to the application can be given to anyone with an eRA Commons account and an approved role, **even at a subaward institution, and access can be controlled to just parts of the application**

Managing Access

USER INFORMATION

Username * radar4

User: O'Reilly, Radar

Primary Organization: WHATSAMATTA U

To assign different access levels to Budget and Non-Budget data (e.g. View Budget and Non-budget selections should be used. To assign the user the and Non-budget data, the All select should be used. The user will be given assigned in the selections made.

Component ID: Title	Budget	Non-Budget	All	Access Maintainer
Entire Application	None	None	Edit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Overall Component	None	None	None	<input type="checkbox"/>
397-Administrative Core	None	None	Edit	<input type="checkbox"/>
			View	<input type="checkbox"/>

The users name and organization is pulled from their Commons profile.

SOs can give **Access Maintainer** authority to other users in their organization.

Edit access for the **Entire Application** can be granted by selecting **Edit** under **All**.

Managing Access

Access can also be given for individual components instead of the entire application.

Component ID: Title	Budget	Non-Budget	All	Access Maintainer
Entire Application	None	None	None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Overall Component	None	None	None	<input type="checkbox"/>
397-Admin-Core: Administrative Core	View	Edit	None	<input type="checkbox"/>
589-Core: Research Core	None	None	None	<input type="checkbox"/>
516-Core: Communications Core	None	N		
990-Project: Fabulous Research Focus 1	None			
478-Project: Fabulous Research Focus 2	None			
965-Project: Fabulous Research Focus 3	None			

Click **Save** after the desired access is selected.

Different access levels can be selected for Budget and Non-budget data on a component.

Save

Cancel



Pre-Population Benefits

- **ASSIST determines which components are required based on the Funding Opportunity Announcement**
- **ASSIST pre-populates information from eRA Commons user and organization profiles**
- **ASSIST can re-use information from one section of the application to another**
- **Ability to enter 100 key people**
- **Information is carried forward to future budget periods !**

Entering Application Data: Sr/Key

Core

Summary R&R Cover Cover Page Supplement Other Project Information Sites **Sr/Key Person Profile** R&R Budget Research Plan

[Sr/Key Person Summary](#)

Research & Related Senior/Key Person Profile
R&R Key Person Expanded v1.2 ?

Edit and Get Lock

PROFILE - Project Director/Principal Investigator

Add Sr/Key from other component

Credential, e.g., agency login

Prefix

* First Name

---- Choose a Person ---- Add

---- Choose a Person ----

Cher D Money

Ben A Round

--- Select Prefix ---

Populate fields from Credentials

Take advantage of options to populate data from list of Sr/Key persons already entered in application or from eRA Commons credentials.

Up to 100 Sr/Key persons can be added per component.

Entering Application Data: Budget

Home > Search for Applications > Application Search Results > Application Information > Component Information

Project

Budget Period saved

Summary R&R Cover Cover Page Supplement Other Project Information Sites Sr/Key Person Profile **R&R Budget** Research Plan

Period 1 Period 2 Period 3 Period 4 Cumulative **Add Period**

Research and Related Budget - Period 4

R&R Budget v1.1 ?

Edit and Get Lock

OMB Number: 4040-0001

Effective Date: 06/20/2014

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The **Add Period** button creates an additional budget period carrying over entries from the previous period. All fields remain editable.



Validation & Review Benefits

- ASSIST **validates** against NIH and Grants.gov rules
 - By component
 - For the entire application
- Application can be **previewed** (so you can see what the NIH reviewer will see)
 - By component
 - For the entire application
- OSPIP CO has access to the application during preparation



Summary Benefits

- **ASSIST will sequence and assemble the application adding appropriate headers and footers**
- **Table of Contents will be created by ASSIST (no more problem with pre-pagination)**
- **Project Budgets roll-up to the summary budget**
- **Key Personnel summary is prepared**
- **Other required summary information is created automatically by ASSIST**

Updating the components will automatically update the summaries !

Automatic Data Summaries

Project/Performance Site Location(s) Summary

Applicant Organization	City	State/Province	Country
WHATSAMATTA U	Bethesda	MD	UNITED STATES

Organization Name	City	State/Province	Country	Component
Confused State	Fuzzy City	MD	UNITED STATES	Core-002 (516)
Cure It Now	Courage	MD	UNITED STATES	Project-003 (965)
DisCo	Research Triangle	MD	UNITED STATES	Project-002 (478)
Whatsamatta U	Bethesda	MD	UNITED STATES	Admin-Core-001 (397)
Whatsamatta U	Bethesda	MD	UNITED STATES	Core-001 (680)

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Senior/Key Personnel Summary

Name	Organization	Role on Project	Components
Money, Cher D	WHATSAMATTA U	PI/PI(Contact)	Overall
Doer, Ima	Cure It Now	Other: Project Lead	Project-003 (965)
Knight, Jed I	Whatsama		
Knight, Jed I	Confused S		
Money, Cher D	WHATSAM		
Round, Ben A	Whatsama		
Sential, Quin T	DisCo		

Human Subjects Clinical Trial Human Embryonic Stem Cells Vertebrate Animals Summary

Components	Human Subjects	Clinical Trial	HESC Involved	Vertebrate Animals
Overall	N		N	N
Admin-Core-001 (397)	N	N	N	N
		N	N	N
		N	N	N
		N	N	N
		N	N	N
		N	N	N
		N	N	N

Composite Application Budget Summary

Categories	Budget Period 1	Budget Period 2	Budget Period 3	Budget Period 4	Budget Period 5	TOTALS
Salary, Wages and Fringe Benefits	501,916	501,916	501,916	501,916	501,916	2,509,580
Equipment	43,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	79,000
Travel	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	45,000
Participant/Trainee Support Costs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Direct Costs (excluding Consortium)	171,907	171,907	171,907	171,907	171,907	859,535
Consortium Costs	1,813,169	1,813,169	1,813,169	1,813,169	1,813,169	9,065,845
Direct Costs	2,538,992	2,504,992	2,504,992	2,504,992	2,504,992	12,558,960
Indirect Costs	624,210	602,960	602,960	602,960	602,960	3,036,050
Total Direct and Indirect Costs	3,163,202	3,107,952	3,107,952	3,107,952	3,107,952	15,595,010