

UNM Limited Competition Announcement

Dear UNM Researchers,

The Office of the Vice President for Research is requesting statements of interest (SOIs) for the **NIH Seed Instrumentation Support (SIS) Program (PAR-27-021)** limited competition. This funding opportunity supports the purchase of a single commercialized research instrument that is currently unavailable in the applicant institution. Instruments funded through this program must be shared among the users to create new research opportunities, enable reproducible data generation, encourage collaborative research and training, and strengthen long-term research capabilities.

Minimal User Requirement: A minimum of two NIH-funded users must be identified, with at least one of the NIH-funded users from the applicant institution. NIH-funded users from other institutions are highly encouraged. **Each of the NIH-funded users must be a PD/PI on a distinct active NIH award** (i.e., a grant or a cooperative agreement).

Sponsor: NIH

Opportunity Title: Seed Instrumentation Support (SIS) Program (S10 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

Opportunity Number: PAR-27-021

Sponsor Due Date(s): 9/25/2026

Award Range: \$50,000–\$400,000

Number of Submissions Allowed from UNM: One (1) as lead institution

Solicitation: <https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/360882>

Limited Comp. SOI Due Date: **NOON on July 16, 2026**

Limited Comp. Instructions: Submit your ~100-word SOI which must include the name and contact information of at least one other NIH-funded user in UNM's [InfoReady Review portal](#). No late submissions will be considered. Based on the number of SOIs received, the Limited Competitions Management Team may announce a call for pre-proposals.

Applicant selections will be published on the [UNM Limited Competitions website](#). Should you have any questions please feel free to contact us at limited@unm.edu.

If you are affiliated with HSC, please contact HSC Limited Competition at HSC-LimitedComps@salud.unm.edu for more information.