

# NIDUS Pilot Awards Announcement

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## **NIDUS Pilot Award Announcement: Funding received for additional pilot awards!**

On behalf of the NIDUS Pilots and Innovation Task Force Leaders, we are very pleased to announce that we have received additional funding for this year's pilot awards from the NIH that will allow us to award a total of **four** pilot awards this winter, increased from two pilot awards last year. With this new funding, we will award a total of \$200,000 in funding for new delirium projects across the four selected pilot awards (\$50,000 each). We look forward to reading your innovative proposals! **Applications are due Nov. 7.**

[Visit Pilot Grant Website](#)

### **2018 NIDUS Pilot Grant Major Themes**

The Pilots and Innovation Task Force has identified three major themes of special interest for the pilot grants below, each representing a research area likely to have broad impact on the field.

**Interrelationship of delirium and dementia:** Research that will provide greater insight to the relationship between delirium and dementia. A few potential examples, which are not exhaustive, include: identification of shared biological pathways, risk factors, improvements in delirium identification in patients with dementia, or development of prevention or management approaches for delirium in persons with dementia.

**Innovative studies to identify more effective prevention or treatment approaches for delirium:** Proposals focused on development of new prevention or treatment strategies for delirium, especially multicomponent approaches. Please note that these pilots are intended as intervention development studies or clinical trial planning grants, not for the conduct of actual clinical trials.

**Elucidating delirium pathophysiology:** Research that will shed light on underlying pathophysiology and biological mechanisms of delirium, biomarkers, and may involve animal models or basic laboratory approaches.

*Please note:* proposals on any delirium topic are eligible and will be considered by the review committee.

### **NIDUS Pilot Grant Overview Webinar:**

Task Force Leaders Michael Avidan and Thomas Robinson held a webinar on Thursday September 20 to provide an overview of the pilot grant application, review process, and to answer additional questions. A [recording of the webinar](#) and [PDF of the slides](#) are accessible now on the Pilots Task Force website.

**Link to Pilots Task Force Website:** <https://deliriumnetwork.org/pilots/>

**Instructions for the pilot grant:** <https://deliriumnetwork.org/pilots/2018-pilot-awards/>



