Introduction to Grant Writing I: Demystifying the NIH Grant Review Process

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First Take Home Message

There is no amount of Grantsmanship that will turn a bad idea into a good one . . . .

But there are many ways to disguise a good idea.

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Second Take Home Message

You will decrease your stress level and have more time to focus on science if you take the time to understand the grant writing process -- from first idea to final outcome.
OITE Grant Writing Offerings

- Part I: Understanding NIH peer review
- Part II: Strategies for writing research and training plans
- Part III: Small group discussions for fellows currently writing K grants
- Part IV: Individual work with OITE grant consultant

- On-going: OITE writing courses monthly
Other Resources for Intramural Fellows

- Consult the Training Director in your IC
- Find links to additional resources at: https://www.training.nih.gov/more_postdoc_resources
- Watch prior videos archived on our Web site
  - E-submission of NIH grants
  - Specifics of K99/R00
Learning About Funding Opportunities

- Ask colleagues in your field
- Visit exhibits at relevant science meetings
- Talk with your Office of Sponsored Research
  - Some grants (Searle, Pew, BWF) require University nomination
- Search on-line databases - yourself and with experts to guide you
Turning To Today

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