

The NIH [National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences \(NCATS\)](#) has announced new small business funding opportunities through the [Small Business Innovation Research \(SBIR\) and Small Business Technology Transfer \(STTR\) programs](#) for entrepreneurs aiming to commercialize innovations.

NCATS is interested in the development of innovative tools, technologies and intervention (drug, device, diagnostic) platforms that would support the creation of novel therapeutics for many diseases. Its programs include annual funding to increase small business participation in federally supported R&D and private-sector commercialization of technology. Learn how one NCATS SBIR-funded company successfully used their Phase I and II awards here: [New NCATS-Supported Test Could Provide Faster Diagnosis of Deadly Disease](#).

Additional [topics of interest](#) as well as an NCATS [SBIR & STTR fact sheet](#) can be found on the [NCATS SBIR & STTR website](#).

Current Funding Opportunities

Omnibus Funding Solicitation: Deadline January 7, 2019

NCATS also has current SBIR and STTR grant funding opportunities under the Department of Health and Human Services [Omnibus Solicitation](#). The next deadline to submit a grant application is **January 7, 2019**.

Benefits of NCATS SBIR and STTR funding include:

- Funding is stable, predictable and not a loan
- Capital is non-dilutive
- Small businesses retain intellectual property rights
- NIH's rigorous peer-review provides recognition, validation and visibility to early-stage companies
- Prestige associated with these awards can help attract more funding or other support (e.g., venture capital, strategic partners)

Questions? NCATS encourages applicants to email NCATS-SBIRSTTR@mail.nih.gov to discuss potential project ideas and related questions.