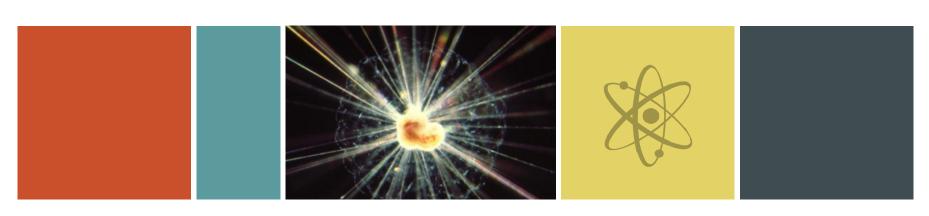


# Experimental Physics Investigators (EPI) Initiative

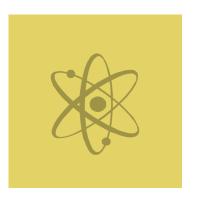
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# **Experimental Physics Investigators: Overview**



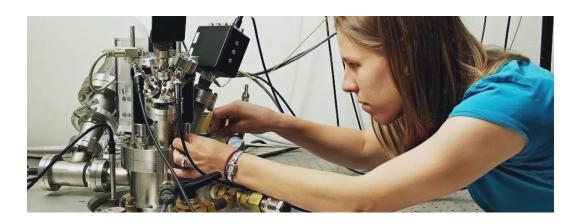
### Looking to support high-risk, high-reward research for midcareer individuals

- Cohorts of 20 individuals/year.
- 5 years of support: \$1.25M
- Supplemental instrumentation fund
- Annual gathering of investigators
- Goal of building cohorts of distinguished scholars that will advance experimental physics
- Commitment to supporting inclusive research groups that promote equity in the community
- Two-stage proposal process: low bar for applying
- Pre-proposals due 25 October

# Experimental Physics Investigators: Eligibility



- Received tenure for the first time within past 5 years (or equivalent)
- Possible (non-COVID) extension for significant life-events that impacted research productivity
- US institution; departmental designation not considered
- Experimental physics (related disciplines considered, but we are aiming to support a set of individuals who can collaborate and generate new synergistic ideas to advance the field)



# Experimental Physics Investigators: Disciplinary Focus



#### **Supported**

- Atomic/molecular/optical physics
- Biophysics
- Chemical physics
- Condensed matter
- Fluid dynamics
- Geophysics
- Laser physics
- Materials
- Polymer physics
- Plasma physics
- Precision measurements
- Quantum information
- Soft matter physics

#### **Not Supported**

- Work in large collaborations
- Theoretical physics
- Computational work
- Observational work (e.g., astronomy)
- Public engagement research
- Education research

# Experimental Physics Investigators: Pre-proposal Details



- Brief outline of an exciting new direction that would be difficult to pursue on your current trajectory or with current research efforts including a description of how the proposed research will advance the field (6,000-character limit)
  - Scientific background
  - Qualifications
  - Central question(s)
  - Potential impact
- PhySH disciplines and concepts of proposed work
- CV data will be extracted from your ORCID profile (employment, education, awards, funding, publications/presentations)
- Professional background: previous contributions, funding, publications, presentations, honors
- Personal information (internal use only)

# Experimental Physics Investigators: Full Proposal Details



#### **Tentative details**

- Project description (6 pages), budget
- Answers to questions about promoting equity and inclusion (do not include this or institutional context in pre-proposal)
- Answers to questions from chair describing engagement, research directions, etc.
- List of recommended reviewers and those who you would prefer not review (with rationale)

# Experimental Physics Investigators: Timeline



September: Pre-application opened

• 25 October: Pre-application deadline (hard deadline)

• Mid December: Applicants informed of status

• Early February: Full proposals due

May: Decisions

August: Award process (notification)

• July 2025: Cohort gathering

# **Experimental Physics Investigators**



# Questions?

Feedback?

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