**Stephen I. Katz Early Stage Investigator Research Project Grant**

**Organization:** NIH

**Amount:** Application budgets are not limited but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project. Maximum project period is 5 years. Applicants requesting $500,000 or more in direct costs in any year (excluding consortium F&A) must contact a Scientific/ Research Contact at least six weeks before submitting the application to obtain approval from the funding agency prior to their application submission.

**Link:** <https://grants.nih.gov/funding/katz-esi-r01.htm>

**Due dates:** January 26, 2021; May 26, 2021; September 28, 2021; January 26, 2022; May 26, 2022; September 27, 2022; January 26, 2023; May 26, 2023; September 26, 2023

**Timeline:**

* Three due dates per year
  + First due date: January 26, 2021
  + Peer Review: Summer 2021
  + First awards made: December 2021

**About:**

The Stephen I. Katz Early Stage Investigator Research Project Grant supports an innovative project that represents a change in research direction (i.e., new approach, methodology, technique, discipline, therapeutic target, and/or new paradigm, different from the ESI’s previous research efforts) for an [early stage investigator](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/glossary.htm#EarlyStageInvestigatorESI) (ESI) and for which no preliminary data exist. If the application proposes multiple Principal Investigators (MPIs), all PD/PIs must be ESIs and the research direction must be a change in research direction for all MPIs. Projects can rely on the PD/PI’s prior work and expertise as its foundation, but must not be an incremental advancement, expansion, or extension of a previous research effort. Applications must include a separate attachment describing the change in research direction.

Applications submitted to this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) must not include preliminary data. Unpublished data is not allowed. Projects should be innovative and unique.

The proposed project must be related to the programmatic interests of one or more of the participating NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs) based on their scientific missions.

**Two available opportunities:**

1) [PAR-21-038](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-21-038.html): Parent R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed - This Funding Opportunity Announcement does not accept applications proposing clinical trials.

2) [PAR-21-039](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-21-039.html): Parent R01 Basic Experimental Studies with Humans Required - This Funding Opportunity Announcement is for basic science experimental studies involving humans, referred to in [NOT-OD-18-212](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-18-212.html) as “prospective basic science studies involving human participants.”

**Other notes:**

Requirements:

* Project must represent a change in research direction
* For an [early stage investigator](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/glossary.htm#EarlyStageInvestigatorESI) (ESI)
* No preliminary data exist for the project

Potential project area seems broad (“Project in an area of science”)