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February 11, 2026

### Upcoming Events

**Join us today, 4:00-6:00 PM: UAMS Showcase of ACRI Researchers  
Feb. 11, 2026 | 12th Floor, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute**

With nearly 40 posters, explore "Making the Discoveries to Define and Deliver Unprecedented Child Health," connecting UAMS and ACRI researchers.

[Add to Calendar](#)

**Bring Your Questions to the Research Administration Roundtable  
Feb. 17, 2026 | 2-3 PM | Rayford Auditorium, Biomed II**



**Topic: Procurement**

**Who Should Attend:**  
College/Department administrators, grant managers, and research support staff

If you have specific questions you would like the panel to address, please send them in advance to Eileen Mok at [ykmok@uams.edu](mailto:ykmok@uams.edu).

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**Research & Innovation Town Hall Meeting  
Feb 23, 2026 | 12-1 PM | Cancer Institute – 10th Floor Walton Auditorium**

All members of the UAMS research community are welcome to attend this in-person meeting to discuss updates with Dr. Voth.

[Add to Calendar](#)

### Prepare for AAALAC Accreditation Visit

The AAALAC accreditation site visit is scheduled for March 17, 2026. In addition to the animal facility, the accreditation team will tour select research labs and satellite facilities. To help present our research spaces in the best possible light, please ensure hallways are kept clean and free of clutter. If you need assistance removing old furniture or disposing of trash, please contact Paul Browning, Building Manager.

### More Judges Needed – 2026 UAMS Student Research Day

The [2026 UAMS Student Research Day](#) takes place on **Tuesday, March 10!** This year, there are **4 sessions**, and we are especially looking for judges to help with the **afternoon sessions (2:30–3:30 pm and 3:30–4:30 pm)**.

Since classes are cancelled that day, it's the perfect time to get involved and support our student researchers.

[Sign Up to Judge Here](#)

### Research Education Classes

#### General Research Ethics Part 2

February 18, 2026 | 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | Zoom  
Presenter: Brandy Fox, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Medical Humanities & Bioethics College of Medicine, Clinical Ethicist  
[Workday](#)

[Enroll in Workday](#)

For questions about research education classes, please contact Kelly Fountain at [kfountain@UAMS.edu](mailto:kfountain@UAMS.edu).

[View Upcoming Advanced Certified Research Specialist Courses](#)

### News & Updates

#### Biomed I Renovation Updates

We will continue to hang ceiling grid this week and should be wrapping that up in the next week or so. We will be starting on PH 7 of the epoxy which is the locker room area at the center of the floor. We have started prepping the floors Monday & Tuesday and epoxy application is expected to run through Friday of this week. Next week is expected to be the last phase as long as we can get all of the trades lined up in their work. We will also continue painting this week. We have an above ceiling inspection with E/O later this week to review all of the seismic impacted areas. We expect to start hanging sheetrock in the remaining areas next week.  
*(The Construction Team)*

#### Tips for Getting Started with SciENcv

To avoid creating duplicate MyNCBI accounts, please follow these steps. If you have not linked your eRA Commons or ORCID profiles to your SciENcv/MyNCBI accounts, select an alternative secondary method to log in (i.e., Login.gov, NCBI Account, Google). Once logged in to SciENcv, you can link your ORCID and eRA Commons accounts to your MyNCBI. Once linked, ORCID and eRA Commons can be used as the secondary login option.

If you are not able to link your accounts on MyNCBI, you can submit a ticket to the helpdesk [here](#).

If you have additional questions, contact Nicole Schartz [NSchartz@uams.edu](mailto:NSchartz@uams.edu)

Watch: "SciENcv Common Forms – Tips and FAQs" (Speaker: Nicole Schartz, Ph.D.)

### Funding Opportunities

NIH Collaborative International Research Project: The NIH seeks proposals for international research collaborations via the Parent PF5 (Clinical Trial Optional), announced as [PA-26-002](#). This supports prime domestic awards linked to independent foreign awards, ensuring NIH oversight per [NOT-OD-25-104](#).

Department of Health and Human Services - National Institutes of Health - Forecast for Research Educational Program - Mentoring Activities & Networks (R25/UE5)  
Estimated post date: Mar 25, 2026  
For more information: <https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/361160>

Department of Health and Human Services - National Institutes of Health - Forecast for Restoring Joint Health and Function to Reduce Pain (RE-JOIN) 2.0 (RFA-AR-26-006)  
Estimated post date: Oct 01, 2026  
For more information: <https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/361186>

Department of Health and Human Services - National Institutes of Health - Development of Research/Nuclear Medical Countermeasures  
For more information: <https://sam.gov/workspace/contract/opp/25b0a23f0d944ea49e6af02137e2788f/view>

### Limited Submission Competition - NIGMS Collaborative Program Grant for Multidisciplinary Teams

(RM1; PAR-23-077)

The National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) has issued a funding opportunity titled "Collaborative Program Grant for Multidisciplinary Teams (RM1 - Clinical Trial Optional)." This mechanism supports highly integrated research teams of three to six Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PDs/PIs) to address ambitious and challenging research questions that are within the mission of NIGMS. The goals should not be achievable with a collection of individual efforts; rather, they require considerable synergy and managed team interactions.

#### Internal Pre-Application Requirements:

Interested teams should submit an application to the [Limited Submission Portal](#) by 5:00 PM on **March 15, 2026**.

[Read Full Announcement & Application Details](#)

Please reach out to Drs. Voth ([DVoth@uams.edu](mailto:DVoth@uams.edu)) or Elasri ([MOElasri@uams.edu](mailto:MOElasri@uams.edu)) for more details and guidance on the pre-application process.

### Past Weekly Updates and Newsletters

#### Weekly Updates

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