



Upcoming Events

Bring Your Questions to the Research Administration Roundtable

Feb. 9, 2026 | 12:30 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.

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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](#)

Contact Jen Gan-Kemp (JGan@uams.edu) with any questions.

Research Education Classes

HIPAA and Research Overview

February 24, 2026 | 9:00 am – 10:00 am

Location: Virtual

Presenter: Heather Schmiegelow, JD, HIPAA Privacy Officer/HIPAA Campus Coordinator

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For questions about research education classes, please contact Kelly Fountain at kfountain@UAMS.edu.

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UAMS Showcase of Medical Discoveries

Arkansas Children's Research Institute: Making the Discoveries to Define and Deliver Unprecedented Child Health

Feb. 11, 2026 | 4:00 – 6:00 PM | 12th Floor,
Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute

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News & Updates

Biomed I Renovation Updates

This week will continue more of the same. We are still working on hanging ceiling grid in the BSL-3 area and the surrounding corridors. There will be some drilling in those areas as the cabling is secured to the ceilings. We are also still working on painting and priming areas and installing tile in the bathrooms. We are starting on PH 6 of the epoxy flooring. This will be the area along the east wall with the labs. For reference, the rooms on the 2nd floor that are above this area are labs 214, 216, 218, 220, and 222. Each of these labs has a mechanical closet in the back of the room, but the rooms are sealed from the outside. We continue to have two wind tunnels set up and running under negative pressure. We do not anticipate any issues this week, but if they do occur, these would be the areas that might possibly be impacted.

(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

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

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Arkansas's Research and Education Protection Act of 2025 Requires Screening, Pre-approval of UAMS-related Travel

Effective January 1, 2026, UAMS-related travel to seven designated "Foreign Adversary" countries (China, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Russia, Syria, Venezuela) will require additional screening and approval.

As a reminder, all international UAMS-related travel must be screened by the UAMS International Compliance Office **prior to departure** using the [International Travel Form](#).

Similarly, UAMS-related research activities involving these and other foreign countries require submission of the [International Activities Form](#) for approval by the Vice Chancellor for Research & Innovation.

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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 Radiation/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) or Elasri (MOElasri@uams.edu) for more details and guidance on the pre-application process.

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