Animal Health Proposal Guidelines

According to Arkansas Experiment Station policy, USDA Animal Health funds are awarded on a competitive basis to AES faculty following an internal review.

Animal Health funds are based in part on an institution's level of animal health related grant activity and the number of applicable animal health projects reported to USDA. Therefore, it is in our best interest to utilize these funds as research initiation grants to enhance our ability to obtain external competitive grants. It is expected that these funds will be used to stimulate development of external competitive funding rather than be used to fund long-term research activities. Continued funding of on-going projects is based on demonstration of research progress and justification for continued funding. If the investigator obtains competitive funding for the project, it is understood that these Animal Health funds will no longer be required and that they may be redirected to other projects.

All research proposals are limited to a maximum of $15,000 annually for three years.

Faculty interested in receiving Animal Health funding or continuing a currently-funded AnH project must submit a brief (3-page maximum) proposal to the Experiment Station grants office by the deadline set annually.

Proposals for new projects should consist of a project title, investigator(s), status (i.e., new or continuing project), research objectives, justification, potential for external funding including funding sources, funding duration (maximum three years), and budget.

For a continuing project, indicate that this is a renewal proposal and number of years funded (example - year two of three). List title, investigators, objectives, justification for continued funding including research progress and need for continued funding, grant submissions based on this funding and if awarded, and budget.

All submissions, whether new or continuing, should include a USDA form listing current or pending support.

All proposals will be reviewed by a faculty peer review panel and ranked for funding priority or continuation of funding. Awards will be based on available funds.

In order to receive animal health funds, faculty members must have an approved Animal Health CRIS project or be willing to develop a project in order to utilize these funds.