

DEM Seed Grant Review Criteria

Each of the following criteria will be scored from 1 to 10 with 10 being excellent. The total score will have a maximum value of 70.

1. **Approach:** Are the conceptual or clinical framework, design, methods, and analyses adequately developed, well-integrated, well-reasoned, and appropriate to the aims of the project? Does the applicant acknowledge potential problem areas and consider alternative tactics?
2. **Future Funding:** Is there a clear avenue for future funding? Does successful completion of the proposal indicate a direction for reasonable next steps for a future funding stream?
3. **Timeline:** Does the time and resources outlined in this proposal seem likely to lead to success? Is the project doable as proposed?
4. **Environment:** Does the scientific environment in which the work will be done contribute to the probability of success? Are there unique features of DEM that will be strengthened by the proposed study?
5. **Training:** Will the proposed project enhance the training of the individual investigator or others in the DEM?
6. **Investigator:** Is the investigator appropriately trained and well suited to carry out this work? Does the investigator demonstrate appropriate knowledge of the research question being posed?
7. **Budget:** Is the proposed budget reasonable? Is the requested period of support reasonable in relation to the proposed research?