

*Full submission template instructions (delete this paragraph before submission): please use this template for proposal submission. Font should be 11 pt., Arial, with 1/2" margins. Executive summary should be no more than 1 page. Please follow the provided template for listing key personnel as well.*

**Proposal title**

Principal Investigator name (or co-I names)

PI unit(s)

**Executive Summary (1 page)**

Clearly state the problem the proposal seeks to address, the strategies for addressing the problem, the resources required, and a compelling argument as to why this initiative can help develop new research directions at U-M. Proposals that could be funded through existing NIH, NSF, DoE, NOAA or other federal granting agencies will not typically be considered.

**Narrative (up to 3 pages)**

Recommended Format:

**Vision, Innovation, and Significance**

How will this funding help explore opportunities to address a major unsolved problem in the biosciences? What strategies are involved, and what makes them innovative? How does the proposal take advantage of the breadth of disciplines at U-M?

**Benchmarking**

What other programs exist in this field? How is Michigan currently ranked in the field, and what is the basis for the ranking?

**Key Personnel, Administration, and Governance**

Describe the key leadership involved in management of the exploratory program. How will the program be governed and administered?

**Resources and Budget**

Exploratory Funding applications may request one year budgets of up to \$100,000. Describe the resource requirements in detail, and provide a one year budget.

**Outcomes**

Describe the outcomes that you will seek to achieve through the program, and how these may ultimately lead to new research programs, or expand the direction(s) of existing programs.

**Key Personnel list (Please also include a complete NIH or NSF Biosketch for each key contributor, following this section)**

The following faculty members are included as key contributors on this proposal:

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