

Six faculty awarded 2019 incentive grants to submit a second R01

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Six School of Medicine faculty projects were recently funded through an AMC21 initiative giving NIH-funded investigators incentive to submit a second R01.

The projects, chosen based on scientific merit, are eligible for \$50,000 per year for a period of up to two years, pending appropriate progress and achieving benchmarks. The goal is to have a newly funded R01 by the second year.

The recipients are:

- Matthew Alexander, Ph.D., assistant professor in the Department of Pediatrics
“Glycoproteomics of cell and zebrafish models in FKRП-dependent Dystroglycanopathy disorders”
- Chad Hunter, Ph.D., associate professor in the Department of Medicine
“A novel link between gene regulation and histone modifications governing islet beta-cell function”
- Lynn Matthews, M.D., MPA, associate professor in the Department of Medicine
“Healthy men for healthy families: An RCT to evaluate the impact of safer conception care on linkage, retention, and HIV-RNA suppression among Ugandan men living with HIV”
- John Mountz, M.D., Ph.D., professor in the Department of Medicine
“Defining autoreactive B cell checkpoint defects in SLE”
- John Parant, Ph.D., associate professor in the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology
“Understanding Idiopathic Scoliosis”
- Lucas Pozzo-Miller, Ph.D., professor in the Department of Neurobiology
“Impaired development of inhibition in a mouse model of Rett syndrome”