



Missouri Soybean Merchandising Council Research Pre-Proposal

2019

The Missouri Soybean Merchandising Council (MSMC) and partners support one of the top soybean production research programs in the country, supported by Missouri soybean farmers and their checkoff. That program has supported soybean production, processing and market development research in Missouri for more than three decades and continues to invest in new and advancing technologies and genetics.

MSMC is now accepting pre-proposals from individuals and/or institutions interested in conducting 2020-2021 soybean research, education and demonstration projects. Interested principal investigators should complete the following application and submit their pre-proposal materials to MSMC for review **no later than November 1, 2019**. Please note your institution may have an earlier deadline.

Pre-proposals will be reviewed by the Council's board of directors, with those selected for further review notified no later than December 15. Identified principal investigators will then have until January 10, 2020 to submit full proposals for review. *Principal investigators are responsible for checking with their university's grants office or other appropriate entities regarding internal protocols and deadlines.*

Funding decisions will be finalized and contracts issued in March/April 2020. Funds for approved projects will be released only after a signed contract is received.

Emphasis areas for 2020-2021 research, education and demonstration project funding are:

- Production research priorities in support of the soybean breeding programs
- Improving soybean management practices through research and demonstration
- Developing specific soybean traits for specialized uses, such as high oleic soybean oil
- Effective soybean marketing and growing existing markets, including within the field of livestock nutrition and developing new markets for Missouri soybeans
- Commercialization of industrial uses for soybeans, soybean meal and soybean oil produced in Missouri
- New and novel uses of soybeans for commercial applications if substantial market potential exists

All project plans should address opportunities for the research, education or demonstration project to directly impact Missouri soybean growers. Projects may extend to two years, with funding allocated annually. *Continuing projects require completion of this form and are subject to annual review.*

About MSMC

The Missouri Soybean Merchandising Council is a farmer-run organization committed to promoting and advancing innovative research, production and marketing solutions to maximize Missouri soybean farmer profitability. Founded in 1980, the Council is led by a 13-member board of directors and works in conjunction with the United Soybean Board to support programs in Missouri and nationwide directly benefiting soybean growers.

For more detailed information on the Missouri Soybean Merchandising Council, and existing programs and partnerships, visit the organization online at mosoy.org or call (573) 635-3819.



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Project Title:	
Principal Investigator Name:	
Principal Investigator Title, Employer:	
Mailing Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Telephone Number:	Email Address:

Co-Investigator Name:
Co-Investigator Title, Employer:
Co-Investigator Name:
Co-Investigator Title, Employer:

New Project _____ Ongoing Project _____ MSMC Project No. _____		
Proposed Funding Start Date:	Proposed Funding End Date:	
Total Funding Requested:	Year 1 - \$ (2020-2021)	Year 2 - \$ (2021-2022)
Description of Project: <i>(Limit to 150 characters. Expanded scope may be included in pre-proposal content.)</i>		
List of Project Partners, Institutions, Organizations, Businesses and Agencies: <i>(Use additional page if needed.)</i>		
Principal Investigator:	Authorized Organizational Representative:	
Signature _____ Date _____	Signature _____ Date _____	

For assistance, contact Ebby Neuner with the Missouri Soybean Merchandising Council at eneuner@mosoy.org.





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Please address, in layman's terms, the following with attachments to the Research Pre-Proposal Application. Please limit application to five (5) pages, excluding curriculum vitae or resume of principal investigator.

- I. Summarize the planned research, education or demonstration project. Include project goals and an overview of the project timeline, as well as potential and actual impacts to Missouri soybean producers.
- II. Briefly address the need for the project, including an explanation of the specific challenge or commercialization opportunity driving the project. If appropriate, include a brief literature review and citations.
- III. Provide a project budget, detailed by project year, including: salaries and wages, fringe benefits, equipment, supplies, travel and other identified expenses. Please note that the principal investigator's salary, indirect costs and student tuition may not be charged to the grant. If project funds are to be split between co-investigators, please identify the amount and/or percentage of total budget for each investigator.
- IV. Identify any individual or entity which may have rights or ownership to the information or processes expected to be developed as a result of this research, education or demonstration project, and explain the extent of those rights or ownership. If this project has been submitted for funding consideration to another source, please disclose that relationship as well.
- V. Briefly describe the uniqueness of this project and identify related work that has been conducted in this area by you or other researchers.
- VI. Attach a copy of the brief curriculum vitae or resume for the proposed project's principal investigator. The biography of principal investigator should not exceed two (2) pages.

Pre-proposal application packets are due no later than November 1, 2019. Application materials should be submitted electronically to eneuner@mosoy.org and gluce@mosoy.org. Receipt of proposals will be acknowledged by MSMC staff.

Applications received electronically after November 1, 2019 may not be considered for 2020-2021 funding.

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