

## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS DRF CENTURION CLINICAL RESEARCH AWARD

The **Deafness Research Foundation (DRF)** is partnering with the **American Academy of Otolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery's (AAO-HNS) CORE Grants Program** to offer a new one-year grant of \$50,000 for clinical research in the hearing and balance sciences. The purpose of this award is to support clinical research projects in hearing and balance science. Clinical research involves human participants and may be directed toward diagnosis, epidemiology, genetics, clinical pathophysiology, and treatment.

**ELIGIBILITY:** To be eligible for consideration, candidates for this award should hold the M.D., Ph.D., or equivalent degrees as well as a faculty or post-doctoral appointment and demonstrate experience and strong research training as well as sufficient institutional support (facilities, time, and mentorship) to carry out the proposed work. Ideal candidate should be in their first 5 years after completion of formal training. A faculty mentor should be identified and a letter of support and availability should be included in the application. Previous DRF or AAO-HNS Foundation research grant recipients are eligible to compete for this grant. However, candidates who have successfully obtained funding from a private or federal funding agency for the same research are ineligible. Candidates who have applied for support of the same research from other funding sources, and who are notified of an award from both another agency and from DRF must choose only one of the awards.

**FORMAT:** Applications are in a similar format to the National Institutes of Health. **All applications must be completed and submitted online through Proposal Central at <https://proposalcentral.altum.com>.** See the AAO-HNSF website at <http://www.entlink.net/research/grant/Foundation-Funding-Opportunities.cfm> to begin the application process.

### **SUBMISSION DEADLINES:**

- Letter of Intent – submit electronically by December 15, 2008 midnight EST
- Application - submit electronically by January 15, 2009 midnight EST
- Late Applications will not be considered.

For additional information about the application process, contact Stephanie Jones, Assistant Director, Research and Quality at 1-703-535-3747 or send an email to [SLJones@entnet.org](mailto:SLJones@entnet.org).

**DRF** is the leading national source of private funding for basic and clinical research in hearing and balance science. Each year DRF awards research grants to researchers who are dedicated to exploring new avenues of hearing and balance science. The DRF Centurion Clinical Research Award is funded by the Centurions of the Deafness Research Foundation. To learn more about the Centurions, visit <http://www.drf.org/Centurions>.

