ELIGIBILITY, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS FOR ACS PRF TYPE G RESEARCH GRANTS

1) ACS PRF Type G Grants for Individual Fundamental Research in the Petroleum Field are made to academic institutions for regularly appointed faculty scientists whose research may be sponsored by PRF in accordance with subsection (a) of Article SECOND of the Agreement of Transfer of Trust creating the American Chemical Society Petroleum Research Fund (Transfer Agreement), dated October 25, 2000. To be eligible for a Type G grant an investigator should:
   Be a member of the faculty of a college or university within the United States; be within the first three years of appointment as a regular faculty member; have completed all requirements for the Ph.D. (however, an application may be submitted before the degree has been awarded); and be appointed at the rank of Assistant Professor or the equivalent. In addition, applicants must meet the following three criteria. It is assumed that tenure-track faculty meet these criteria.
   a) The non-profit institution submitting the Type G proposal must certify that each individual listed as a principal investigator on the cover page qualifies as a principal investigator under the institution’s policies.
   b) In view of the long-standing goal of The Petroleum Research Fund to support students (undergraduate, graduate, or postdoctoral), each principal investigator must be eligible to serve as the formal, official supervisor of students at one or more of these levels.
   c) The terms of appointment of each principal investigator must promise reasonable continuity of service. The appointment should continue at least through the period of funding requested in the Type G proposal.

2) Each grant will provide the total amount of $35,000 for a two-year period intended to assist the new faculty member to establish a research program. ACS PRF Type G grants do not include a contribution to institutional overhead or administrative charges.

3) The investigator must adhere to the following limitations:
   a) To provide the opportunity for full-time research during the summer months, the principal investigator on an ACS PRF Type G grant may request a contribution to his or her summer salary, with an upper limit of $7,500 per summer, including benefits, to a maximum of $15,000 during the full period of the grant, including time extensions.
   b) Except for field work, travel expenses (including scientific meetings) shall not exceed $2,000 per grant year.

4) The institution, by acceptance of this grant, provides assurance that support normally provided by the institution for research by the faculty member will not be diminished.

5) At the end of each grant year, the grantee will submit a financial report, a report of progress, and a personnel statement. Of the support given, funds remaining at the end of each grant year may be carried forward into the next. If funds remain at the expiration of the grant and the principal investigator plans to continue to work on the project, time extensions may be approved by The Petroleum Research Fund Program Director, usually for no more than two years beyond the original grant period.

6) The Transfer Agreement, wherever applicable, and more specifically subsections (d), (e), and (f) of the Article SECOND thereof shall be complied with by the grantee institution accepting an ACS PRF Type G Research Grant. The reports required by said subsection (d), the publications required by said subsection (e), and a certified copy of any instrument of dedication required by subsection (f) of Article SECOND shall be submitted to the American Chemical Society by the grantee institution. A copy of said Transfer Agreement is attached hereto, is incorporated by reference, and wherever applicable shall be binding upon both the American Chemical Society and the grantee institution.

7) In order to comply with the precise requirements of subsection (e) of said Article SECOND of the Transfer Agreement, each publication prepared in connection with this grant shall acknowledge the support of the research to the Donors of the American Chemical Society Petroleum Research Fund, in the following manner: “Acknowledgment is made to the Donors of the American Chemical Society Petroleum Research Fund, for support (or partial support) of this research.”

8) In compliance with subsection (f) of said Article SECOND of the Transfer Agreement, any patent which is taken out by or on behalf of the principal investigator or the grantee institution, and which is derived from research funded in whole or in part by this grant, shall be dedicated to the public, royalty free.

9) This grant is also conditioned upon agreement by the grantee institution that in the event the principal investigator is unable for any reason to conduct the research proposed, the funds, if previously paid by the American Chemical Society, shall, upon demand, be returned in full to the Society, and, further, that in the event the principal investigator is unable for any reason to continue with the research after it has commenced, this grant shall be terminated forthwith and the unexpended and unencumbered balance of any funds theretofore advanced shall be returned to the Society.

10) To provide the best possible atmosphere in which to do creative basic research, the acceptance of this grant in partial support of a new faculty member’s research interests does not require the investigator to follow the specific details of the research plan as proposed, particularly if promising leads are found, which, in the investigator’s opinion, are likely to be more productive than the research originally proposed. The American Chemical Society requests only that the principal investigator inform it of such promising leads if they deviate radically from the proposed program.