

Dear CITRIS PI Community,

Due to unprecedented challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic to the working lives, schedules, and research operations of our Principal Investigator community, we are sharing two updates to the [CITRIS Seed Funding Program](#).

In consultation with CITRIS Directors from UC Berkeley, Davis, Davis Health, Merced and Santa Cruz about impacts and needs on their campuses, we are implementing the following measures.

2020 CITRIS Core Seed Funding Program

In response to feedback from our research community, the submission deadline for the 2020 CITRIS Core Seed Funding Program has been extended to the start of fall term. The new proposal deadline is Thursday, September 10th, 2020. The amended RFP includes expedited dates for review, selection, and funds disbursement so research can commence as quickly as possible later this year. Applications will remain open and editable until this date so you can make proposal adjustments during this dynamic and far-reaching situation.

Special RFP for COVID-19 Response

Effective today, CITRIS announces an immediate call for proposals for a special Seed Funding opportunity that invites targeted responses to the COVID-19 pandemic. Special thanks to our [research thrust](#) leaders and colleagues at UC Davis Health for identifying information technology-driven proposal themes to rapidly address the outbreak and societal effects. Applications are requested online by April 24th, 2020. We will send a separate announcement with this RFP and application link.

We appreciate your understanding and patience under these extraordinary circumstances, and also recognize the incredible resilience and ingenuity of the university's research community in response. CITRIS staff are all working remotely and we welcome your feedback. You can reach us at seeds@citris-uc.org.

Our best regards during this challenging time,

CITRIS Seed Funding Team