

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services National Institutes of Health announced the availability of funding for the Autoimmunity Centers of Excellence, Basic Research Program (*Catalog for Federal Domestic Assistance numbers: 93.855 and 93.856*)

. The purpose of this program is to improve the understanding and treatment of autoimmune diseases. The Autoimmunity Centers of Excellence program was founded on the premise that collaboration among basic and clinical scientists can accelerate both fundamental and applied research.

***The application deadline is June 13, 2013***

. Eligible applicants include state and local governments, institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations and small businesses.

To request an application package, visit

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