

Institute for Modeling Collaboration and Innovation (IMCI) Data Access Grants (DAGs)

The mission of IMCI is to foster interdisciplinary research and advance model-based research at the University of Idaho. The purpose of Data Access Grants (DAGs) is to enable researchers to generate preliminary data for grant proposals. DAGs do not cover personnel; rather, they cover costs (typically < \$4,000) to generate needed data. Examples of services and items we will consider include, but are not limited to: DNA sequencing, ddPCR, cryo-EM, mass spectrometry, experimental reagents, AI-related project support, data purchase, pilot surveys, or software.

Upcoming Deadlines:

October 20, 2025 | December 08, 2025 | February 02, 2026 | May 04, 2026 | September 07, 2026

Special Considerations for October, December, and February Deadlines:

For October, December, and February DAG deadlines we are specifically soliciting DAGs to be supported by the Phase 3 COBRE. These should be directly related to planned NIH research proposals that will include a modeling component; the DAG request itself does not need to include modeling. For these biomedically related projects, we will accept funding requests larger than the typical DAG award. Reach out to Holly Wichman (hwichman@uidaho.edu) or Marty Ytreberg (ytreberg@uidaho.edu) with questions about this special opportunity.

Requests that are not biomedically related will still be considered, and, if selected, funded for up to \$4,000.

Instructions for Application:

To apply, submit a 1-page request to IMCI@uidaho.edu with the **subject line IMCI DAG**. The request should address the following:

- What is your request? Include the data to be generated and a budget for the request.
- What grant proposal is being developed and how does the preliminary data relate to the proposal? Include the timeline, target agency, and any modeling component(s).
- What current funds are available in the lab, including start-up funds and grants? For start-up include the current balance and future promised funds. For grants include the PI, title, grant number, and amount of funding to the lab. Address why these funds cannot cover your needs.

Eligibility:

- Requests must be submitted by a faculty member (including clinical or other non-tenure track) or other independent researchers from the University of Idaho eligible to submit proposals as a PI. Students and postdocs are not eligible.
- The planned grant proposal supported by the DAG should fall under the mission of IMCI, that is, be collaborative and/or include a modeling component.
- Services should be completed within 6 months of the award.
- You should indicate your affiliation with IMCI in VERAS when submitting proposals that are based on any DAG.
- Biomedical DAGs should cite P30GM159567 in publications arising from the supported DAG.