

Seeking a profound change in the  
**treatment of serious diseases**

Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated is a global biotechnology company committed to the discovery and development of novel drugs for the treatment of serious diseases. We believe that, just maybe, we can bring about a profound change in the treatment of serious diseases through cutting-edge science and breakthrough therapies.

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INVESTIGATOR-INITIATED  
STUDIES PROGRAM



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## OUR GOAL

To provide support to independent investigators who are interested in conducting their own clinical (patient-oriented) research or non-clinical (laboratory) research.

Funding may be available for clinical (patient-oriented) research that:

- Examines human health in the areas of Hepatitis C and Cystic Fibrosis
- Does not involve administration of investigational drugs
- Typically has annual funding requirements less than \$20,000

*Examples include: studies of a disease's natural history, barriers to care, patient surveys, pharmacoconomics, statistical models using patient data*

Compounds and other materials may be available for non-clinical (laboratory) research that:

- Examines Vertex's chemical or biological materials in laboratory settings

*Examples include: studies using Vertex compounds for in vitro assays or in vivo models*



## OUR CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated in the following areas:

- Scientific rigor
- Innovation
- Feasibility
- Adherence to ethical principles
- Alignment with Vertex's overall mission
- Resource availability

To be eligible for support, investigators must accept full responsibility for designing, conducting, and monitoring their own studies.

## OUR PROCESS

To apply:

- Register for a User account at [www.vrtxiisgrants.com](http://www.vrtxiisgrants.com)
- Your password will be emailed to you.
- Return to the IIS website and log in.
- Submit your proposal.
  - For clinical research, this is a two-step process involving a preliminary "concept" proposal submission that, if accepted, is followed by a more detailed protocol.
  - Non-clinical applications typically require a single submission.
- Please be advised that submission of a proposal does not guarantee funding or materials.

Vertex support of an investigator-initiated study is not conditioned in any way on the use, purchase, prescribing, or recommending for prescribing of any current or future Vertex product.