

Letter of Intent (LOI)

Diet and Health Initiative

Academic Investment

Research Competition

University of Connecticut & University of Connecticut Health Center

Deadline December 15, 2011

In a two page LOI (font size 12) include the following:

1. Title of proposed project and the field of investigation: basic, applied, clinical or translational research.
2. In this second round of the grant competition we give special consideration for projects that focus on clinical nutrition, delivery systems for phytochemicals and botanicals to improve efficacy, and education to advance nutrition knowledge for health professionals in training and practice.
3. In the abstract/overview of the research proposed include the specific aims and explain the interdisciplinary nature of the investigator team. The LOI must be a project that is consistent with the mission of the Diet and Health Initiative (DHI) as described below.

The Mission for the DHI is to create new synergies in research and education to understand the actions of nutrients and bioactive food components for preserving health and reducing risks for diet-related chronic diseases. To promote greater public awareness of these discoveries and create community activities that improves health and the quality of life.

4. A concise description of how the key personnel of the research team will be involved in the research and explain their individual roles. The PI must be a faculty member of the University of Connecticut and the Co-PI from any academic institution or health organization in Connecticut.
5. A budget that highlights the major expenditures for personnel, materials and supplies. The budget cannot include summer salary.
6. How matching funds or leveraged resources will be used to accomplish the research.
7. Separate from the LOI page limitation include a NIH biographical sketch not to exceed 4 pages for each key personnel.

Submit your LOI as a pdf file by 5 pm December 15, 2011 on line at: <http://www.dietandhealth.uconn.edu/>