

Search Instructions: The ELSI Research Program Abstracts and Activities Database

Enter Search Terms and Boolean Search Type

Enter Search Terms

After typing a keyword (e.g., discrimination) or multiple keywords (e.g. genetic testing) in the **Enter Search Terms** text field, the search engine will look for those keywords within the text of the ELSI Grant Titles, the text of the ELSI Grant Abstracts and the text of the ELSI Program Activities. For multiple keywords, type all keywords without the use of quotes, commas, special characters such as "+", or words such as **And** or **Or**.

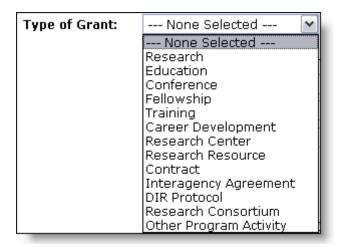
Boolean Search

Boolean Search provides the option to select **And**, **Or** or **Phrase** along with the keywords typed in the Enter Search Terms field. Please refer to **Table 1** below for a description and example of each search type.

Boolean Search Type	Description and Example
AND	Description : Selecting the And radio button along with typing multiple keywords in the Enter Search Terms field, will look through the text of the grant abstracts, grant titles, and program activities and find at least any occurrence of each of the query terms.
	Example : A query of "genetic discrimination" with the And radio button selected will return abstracts containing both genetics and discrimination. However, the abstracts may or may not contain those words in that exact sequence.
OR	Description : Selecting the Or radio button along with typing multiple keywords in the Enter Search Terms field, will look through the grant abstracts and find at least every occurrence of the query terms.
	Example : A query of "genetic discrimination" with the Or radio button selected will return abstracts containing either genetics and discrimination.
PHRASE	Description : Selecting the Phrase radio button along with typing multiple keywords in the Enter Search Terms field, will look to find grant abstracts that contain the keywords together in a phrase.
	Example : A query of "genetic discrimination" with the Phrase radio button selected will only return abstracts that contain the phrase genetics discrimination together in a phrase. The query of genetics descrimination will not return abstracts with just genetics in the abstract text, or abstract with just discrimination in the abstract text, or return abstracts that contain both genetics and discrimination in the text (but in different parts of the text).

Type of Grant and Grant Number

Type of Grant

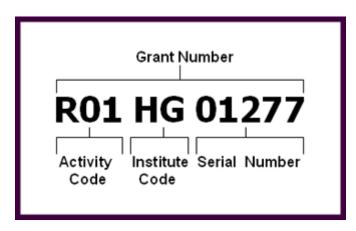


The type of grant can be selected from a drop-down menu.

The drop-down menu contains types such as Research,
Education, Conference, Fellowship, Training, Career
Development, Research Center, Research Resource,
Contract, Interagency Agreement, DIR Protocol, Research
Consortium and Other Program Activity.

Other Program Activity applies to workshops, research consortia and policy conferences related to ELSI issues, but not associated with any grant numbers.

Grant Number



The grant numbers in the ELSI Research Program Abstracts and Activities Database consist of three components:

- Activity Code: Three-character code idenfitying a specific category of extramural activity.
- **Institute Code:** A two-digit code identifying the specific NIH Institute or Center responsible for funding and administering the awarded research.
- **Serial Number:** Generally assigned sequentially to a series within an Institute, Center, or Division. Originally, the older historical serial numbers were five-digit numbers. However, as NHGRI and other Institutes and Centers reach the 99999 five-digit threshold, the six-digit serial numbers will be fully adopted.

For the ELSI Research Program Abstracts and Activities Database, all serial numbers must be typed in. For serial numbers, there are no partial matches, only exact matches or no matches. For example, to look up a grant number containing the serial number **007091**, type 007091 in the **Serial Number** field exactly the way it appears. Typing in 07091 (one less 0) will not return search results with 007091, the way typing 007091 in the Serial Number field would.

If you are not sure what the serial number is for a certain grant number, leave the Serial Number field blank. Use the Activity Code and Institute Code fields, instead, as your search criteria. More search results may appear. However, chances are you may still find the result with the grant number you were looking for.

Primary Grant Types

Type of Grant or Activity	Activity Code	Activity Code Title	Activity Code Description
Research	R01	Research Program Projects	Supports a discrete, specified, circumscribed project to be performed by the named investigator(s) in an area representing his specific interest and competencies.
Research	R03	Small Research Grants	Provides research support specifically limited in time and amount for studies in categorical program areas. Small grants provide flexibility for initiating studies which are generally for preliminary short-term projects and are non-renewable.
Research	R21	Exploratory / Development Grants	Encourages the development of new research activities in categorical program areas. (Support generally is restricted in level of support and in time.)
Research	R29	First Independent Research Support and Transition (FIRST) Award	Provides a sufficient initial period of research support for newly independent biomedical investigators to develop their research capabilities and demonstrate the merit of their research ideas.
Research	R43	Small Business Innovation Research Grants (SBIR)- Phase I	Supports in-depth development of cooperative R&D projects between small business concerns and research institutions, limited in time and amount, whose feasibility has been established in Phase I and that have potential for commercialization. Awards are made to small business concerns only.
Research	R55	James A. Shannon Director's Award	Provides a limited award to investigators to further develop, test, and refine research techniques; perform secondary analysis of available data sets; test the feasibility of innovative and creative approaches; and conduct other discrete projects that can demonstrate their research capabilities and lend additional weight to their already meritorious applications.

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Education	R25	Education Projects	Supports the development and implementation of a program as it relates to a category in one or more of the areas of education, information, training, technical assistance, coordination, or evaluation.
Education	P30	(Education Component of) Center Core Grants	Supports shared resources and facilities for categorical research by a number of investigators from different disciplines who provide a multidisciplinary approach to a joint research effort or from the same discipline who focus on a common research problem. The core grant is integrated with the center's component projects or program projects, though funded independently from them. This support, by providing more accessible resources, is expected to assure a greater productivity than from the separate projects and program projects.
Conference	R13	Conferences	Supports recipient sponsored and directed international, national or regional meetings, conferences and workshops.
Fellowship	F32	Postdoctoral Individual National Research Service Award	Provides postdoctoral research training to individuals to broaden their scientific background and extend their potential for research in specified health-related areas.
Fellowship	F33	National Research Service Award for Senior Fellows	Provides opportunities for experienced scientists to make major changes in the direction of research careers, to broaden scientific background, to acquire new research capabilities, to enlarge command of an allied research field, or to take time from regular professional responsibilities for the purpose of increasing capabilities to engage in health-related research.
Training	D43	International Training Grants in Epidemiology	Improves and expands epidemiologic research and the utilization of epidemiology in clinical trials and prevention research in foreign countries through support of training programs for foreign health professionals, technicians, and other health care workers.

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Training	T15	Continuing Education Training Program	Assists professional schools and other public and nonprofit institutions to establish, expand, or improve programs of continuing professional education, especially for programs of extensive continuation, extension, or refresher education dealing with new developments in the science of technology of the profession.
Training	Т36	MARC Ancillary Training Activities (Grant)(National Institute of General Medical Sciences, NIH)	Increases the number of well-trained minority scientists in biomedical disciplines and strengthens the research and teaching capabilities of minority institutions through a variety of training mechanisms such as visits by experienced scientists to minority institutions or workshops/conferences designed to enhance the research training experience of students/faculty from minority institutions.
Career Development	K01	Research Scientist Development Award - Research & Training	Provides for support of a scientist, committed to research, in need of both advanced research training and additional experience.
Career Development	K99 / R00	Pathway to Independence Award	Increases and maintains a strong cohort of new and talented NIH-supported independent investigators. Facilitates a timely transition from a mentored postdoctoral research position to a stable independent research position with independent NIH or other independent research support at an earlier stage than is currently the norm. This award supports salary and research expenses for up to two years in the mentored phase (K99) for new investigators. The second phase (R00) provides salary and fringe benefits to continue the research project independently. In the R00 phase, the investigator must have a tenure-track, full-time assistant professor position or equivalent. The transition from K99 to R00 is not automatic.

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Research Center	P20	Exploratory Grants	Supports planning for new programs, expansion or modification of existing resources, and feasibility studies to explore various approaches to the development of interdisciplinary programs that offer potential solutions to problems of special significance to the mission of the NIH. These exploratory studies may lead to specialized or comprehensive centers.
Research Center	P50	Specialized Center	Supports any part of the full range of research and development from very basic to clinical; may involve ancillary supportive activities such as protracted patient care necessary to the primary research or R&D effort. The spectrum of activities comprises a multidisciplinary attack on a specific disease entity or biomedical problem area. These grants differ from program project grants in that they are usually developed in response to an announcement of the programmatic needs of an Institute or Division and subsequently receive continuous attention from its staff. Centers may also serve as regional or national resources for special research purposes.
Research Resource	P41	Research Resource Grant Program	Supports research resources available to all qualified investigators without regard to the scientific disciplines or disease orientations of their research activities or specifically directed to a categorical program area.
Research Resource	S07	Biomedical Research Support Grants (National Center for Research Resources, NIH)	Focuses on support for biomedical research projects in ways that are not adequately or efficiently provided for by other funding mechanisms such as the traditional investigator-initiated research project grant.
Contract	N01	Research and Development Contracts	Acquires a service or product for use by the scientific community.
Interagency Agreement	Y01	NIH Inter-Agency Agreements	Transfers funds from NIH to a federal organization outside the Department of Health and Human Services to acquire specific products, services, or studies.

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Interagency Agreement	Y02	NIH Intra-Agency Agreements	Transfers funds to another NIH component or another organization within the Department of Health and Human Services to acquire products, services, or studies.
		Other Grant Typ	es
DIR Protocol	PN1	NHGRI Division of Intramural Research (DIR) Protocol.	NHGRI Division of Intramural Research (DIR) - Clinical Trial.
Research Consortium	N/A	Not Associated with an activity code or grant number.	A group of related ELSI-funded research projects. A group of individual R01 or R03 research projects examining a high priority ELSI issue, usually in response to an ELSI initiated Request for Applications. The projects' investigative teams meet regularly to coordinate their research and share research methodologies and findings.
Other Program Activity	N/A	Not associated with any activity code or grant number.	Workshops, research consortia, conferences, and related events initiated and coordinated by ELSI staff to help ensure that the findings of ELSI research are translated into clinical and research practice and health and public policies

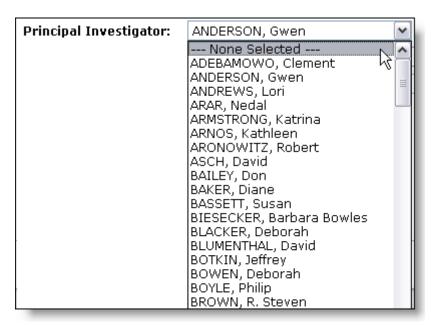
Institute Code *	NIH Institute / Center
AG	National Institute on Aging (NIA)
AI	National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)
CA	National Cancer Institute (NCI)
DA	National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)
DC	National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)
DK	National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)
ES	National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)
GM	National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)
HD	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

Institute Code *	NIH Institute / Center	
HG	National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)	
LM	National Library of Medicine (NLM)	
МН	National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)	
NR	National Institute for Nursing Research (NINR)	
NS	National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)	
OD	Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health (NIH)	
RR	National Center for Research Resources (NCRR)	
TW	John E. Fogarty International Center (FIC)	

^{*} Please note: The institute codes listed in the above are only the codes found in the ELSI database.

Principal Investigator

The **Principal Investigator** is the name of the principal researcher who received the grant and will conduct the research. You can only search by principal investigator by selecting one from the Principal Investigator drop-down menu.



The Principal Investigator drop-down menu contains the name of the researchers in alphabetical order by last name.

They are displayed in the following formats:

LAST NAME, First name

Example: ADEBAMOWO, Clement

LAST NAME, First name Middle name

Example: BIESECKER, Barbara Bowles

Research Institution

Research Institution is where the research is conducted- usually a university, hospital, research center, or other organization where the investigator is employed. The Research Institution Drop-down menu includes research institutions both within and outside the United States.



The research institutions in the Research Institution Drop-down menu are arranged in alphabetical order by the name of the institution. Research institutions from within the United States will be displayed in the following format:

Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts

Research institutions from outside the United States will be displayed in the following format:

University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario (Canada) University of Ibidan, Ibidan, Nigeria

Please Note: For research institutions where the whole name (including city and state) is too long, only the name of the research institution will appear in the drop-down menu. Take the following research institution for example:

University of Texas Health Sciences Center, Department of Cellular and Structural Biology, San Antonio, Texas

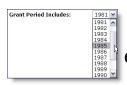
San Antonio and Texas will not appear in the drop-down menu, but will appear in the search results.

Grant Period Includes

A grant period is either the period in which the funding for a grant was awarded or the period a program activity or meeting was conducted.

A grant period consists of a **From date** and **To date**, each in the form of **mm/dd/yyyy**. It is displayed as:

Grant period: 08/01/1985 - 03/31/2006



08/01/1985 represents the From date and 03/31/2006 represents the To date.

The **Grant Period Includes Drop-down Menu**, as shown in **Figure 6** contains all the years found within a grant period- including the From date or the To date. If you want to know all the grants for a particular year, select that year in the drop-down menu

Selecting a year from the drop-down menu will also look for search results containing **Grant Periods**, **Project Periods**, **Contract Periods**, **Agreement Periods** and **Meeting Dates**.

Display Related Publications?

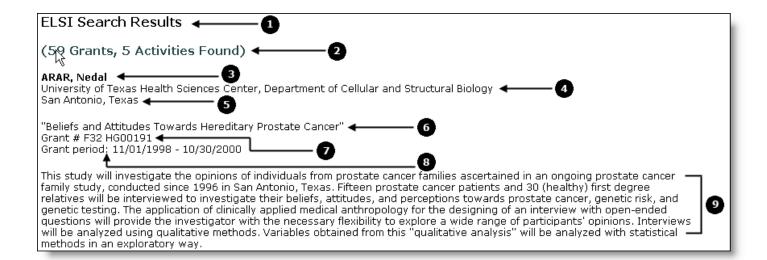
By default, the **Display Related Publications?** checkbox is checked. Searching with the checkbox checked will display the related publications for a grant abstract or program activity. All related publications are linked to a Principal Investigator and either a grant title or program activity. Leaving all other fields in the search form blank with the checkbox checked will generate every possible search result found in the ELSI Database, along with their related publications. Leaving all other fields in the search form blank with the checkbox unchecked, will generate every possible search result, without their related publications. To see how related publications appear in the search results, please refer to the next section- Submit Form and earch Results.

Submit Form and Search Results:

Clicking the **Submit Form** button will generate search results depending on the criteria you enter. Leaving all fields blank along with not selecting any of the options in any of the drop-down menus, and clicking the Submit Form button will generate every possible search result found in the ELSI Database. After clicking the Submit Form button, the search results will appear directly below the Submit Form button and Clear Query button. When search results are generated you will see the number of results found for both grants and activities displayed in green text, followed by the actual search results. Grants will appear before activities. If there are no results for either grants or activities, the text will show either 0 grants or 0 activities. The images below show a typical search and the search results generated.

For example, you want to do a broad search for the term "Cancer" and typed it in the **Enter Search Terms** field and selected the **Display Related Publications?** checkbox. Please take a look at the following search results and how they are displayed:

Search Results with Abstracts



Key for Search Results with Abstracts:

1 Search Results Heading 6 Grant Title

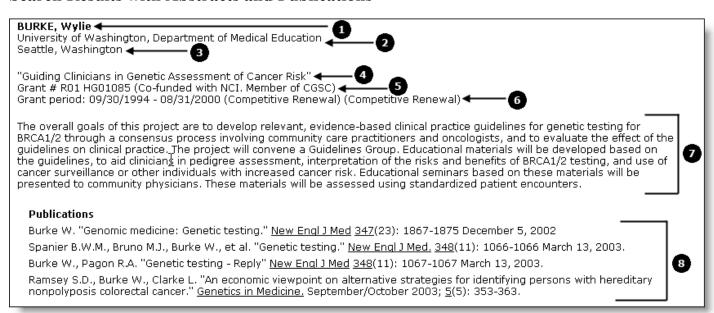
2 Indicator of Number of Search Results 7 Grant Number

3 Name of Principal Investigator 8 Grant Period

4 Name of Research Institution 9 Abstract Text

Name of City/State for Research Institution

Search Results with Abstracts and Publications



Key for Search Results with Abstracts and Publications:

Name of Principal Investigator
 Grant Number

Name of Research Institution 6 Grant Period

Name of City/State for Research Institution 7 Abstract Text

4 Grant Title B List of Related Publications

ELSI Program Activities
"NIH-DOE ELSI Working Group and National Action Plan on Breast Cancer Workshop on Genetic Discrimination and Health — 2 Insurance." Meeting was held July 19, 1995 on the NIH Campus in Bethesda, Maryland 3
 Hudson, K.L., K.H. Rothenberg, L.B. Andrews et al. "Genetic Discrimination and Health Insurance: An Urgent Need for Reform." Science. October 1995; 270: 391-393. Rothenberg, K.H. "Genetic Information and Health Insurance: State Legislative Approaches." Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics. 1995; 23: 312-319.

Key for Search Results with Program Activities and Publications:

Program Activities Heading
 Program Activity Description
 Program Activity Title
 List of Related Publications

Clear Query:

Clicking the **Clear Query** button will remove the search criteria from the previous search **AND** the search results. You can still perform a new search when search results from the previous search are still displayed on screen, if you are further filtering a previous search. However, if you intend to perform a new search with completely different criteria from your previous search and do not click the Clear Query button, your search results may not appear exactly the way you expect them to appear. The following scenarios may take place:

- You may see more search results than what you expected- results from your previous search as well as results from your current search, or
- You may see less search results than what you expected, or
- You may not see any search results at all.

If you did not click the Clear Query button, you will also have to remember to see the criteria you entered in the previous search and either type over what in the text fields or select a different option from any of the drop-down menus. Clicking the Clear Query button between each search would help you avoid any confusion regarding what you were previously searching and what you are currently searching.

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