

Project Types

Basic Research--directed towards the increase of knowledge; it is research where the primary aim of the investigator is a fuller knowledge or understanding of the subject under study rather than a practical application thereof.

Applied Research--follows basic research, but is also directed towards advancing "the state of the art" and expanding the potentialities of discoveries or improvements in technology, materials, processes, methods, devices, and techniques. It does not include the design, development, or test of specific articles or services to be offered for sale.

Developmental Research--the use and application of knowledge toward the production and improvement of useful products to meet specific performance requirements (exclusive of manufacturing and production engineering).

Other Research--in those cases when a research project cannot be categorized in one of the four categories above, it should be coded as "other research."

Public Service--If the project is non-research-related, select from Training, Public Service, Other Service, or equipment.

Other--If a project does not fit in one of the above categories, select "Other."

Clinical Trial--the clinical testing of investigational new drugs, devices, treatments, or diagnostics to assess their safety, efficacy, benefits, costs, adverse reactions, and/or outcomes in human subjects. These studies are typically conducted in conjunction with obtaining new drug or device approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, under Phase I, II, III, or IV. Preclinical laboratory studies, studies in animals, and projects designed to develop new compounds are not classified as "Clinical Trials," and should be reported in one of the other research categories.