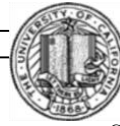


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DATE: October 1, 2025

TO: Deans and Directors, ANR

FROM: Cindy Kron, UC European Pear Commodity Research Liaison

SUBJECT: Call for 2026 European Pear Proposals

Research Committees of the California Pear Advisory Board and Pear Pest Management Research Fund will convene in January 2026 to review submitted research proposals for 2026. Those wishing to request funding should submit proposals by **Friday, December 12, 2025**.

Use the attached standard UC Project Plan/Research Grant Proposal form (or similar format). Please have the proposal **signed by the appropriate Department Chair or ANR supervisor(s), scanned, and emailed to both [bob@calpear.com](mailto:bob@calpear.com) and [ckron@ucanr.edu](mailto:ckron@ucanr.edu)** and copy Shauna La Brash, [slabrash@ucanr.edu](mailto:slabrash@ucanr.edu). Type *2026 pear research proposal* in the subject line. ANR advisors must upload their proposals onto the ANR Grant Tracking System for approval; add Cindy Kron to the list of reviewers.

Researchers with current projects should also submit their 2025 report(s) on December 12<sup>th</sup>, particularly if planning to submit a continuing proposal.

Following initial review, researchers will present proposals to Research Committee members on **Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at the UCANR building – Sacramento Valley Conference Room, 2801 2<sup>nd</sup> street, Davis, CA 95618**. Details will be provided prior to the meeting.

Please submit research proposals promptly to allow ample time for consideration and review by industry and UC Pear Research Advisory Committees.

The Research Committees welcome and look forward to reviewing your proposals. Please contact Cindy Kron at [ckron@ucanr.edu](mailto:ckron@ucanr.edu) for further information.

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