**UM-BILD Accelerator Funding Applications for Cohort 2 Pilot Grants are being accepted through September 3, 2024**.

The [**University of Maryland, Baltimore Life Science Discovery (UM-BILD) Accelerator**](http://www.umaryland.edu/um-bild/) is now accepting applications for Cohort 2 Pilot Grants to support the translation of basic science research projects into commercial products that will advance patient care. Up to $75,000 for one-year funding is available for each accepted project. (Second-year funding may also be available.)

Investigators working on technologies in the therapeutic, medical device, diagnostic, and digital health areas — particularly those that have the potential to address health care disparities or otherwise benefit residents of Baltimore — are encouraged to apply for funding. Experience with entrepreneurship is not required; education and mentorship are key components of the program.

To learn more, please visit the [**How to Apply**](https://www.umaryland.edu/um-bild/apply/) page of UM-BILD’s website.  **An application takes the form of a Letter of Intent (LOI) that is submitted electronically prior to the deadline of 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 3, 2024**. The UM-BILD team will review all LOIs. On September 20, 2024, the highest-ranked project teams will be invited to submit full applications. Each of these teams will be matched with a coach who will assist in crafting an effective proposal with achievable milestones and a realistic budget. Final applications will be due on October 25, 2024, with winners announced on February 11, 2025. Work will commence shortly thereafter.

UM-BILD expects to fund four Cohort 2 Pilot Grants, with Principal Investigators based at University of Maryland, Baltimore, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, and Morgan State University.

Learn more about this opportunity and LOI requirements at [**umaryland.edu/um-bild**](https://www.umaryland.edu/um-bild/).

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