The CF Foundation (CFF) offers competitive awards for research related to cystic fibrosis. Studies may be carried out at the subcellular, cellular, animal, or patient levels.

**CFF/NIH-Unfunded Award**
The CF Foundation has developed the overall research grant program to complement the awarding mechanism of the NIH. Support from CFF, through various mechanisms, is intended to provide for the development of sufficient preliminary data to make CF-related grant applications highly competitive in the NIH review process. However, as a result of funding constraints on the NIH, coupled with the growing interest in CF research, occasions arise in which highly meritorious grant applications are submitted to the NIH but are not funded. In an effort to assure that all meritorious CF-related research is supported, CFF has developed the CFF/NIH-unfunded Award mechanism to provide funding. The objective of this award is to support excellent CF-related research projects that have been submitted to and approved by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), but cannot be supported by available NIH funds. Applications must fall within the upper 40th percentile with a priority score of 200 or better. CFF support ranges from $75,000 to $125,000 per year for up to two years.