New U.S. Wheat & Barley Scab Initiative Funding Opportunity - “Transformational Science” (TRSC) for FY21

Deadline for Pre-Proposals: February 1, 2021

The U.S. Wheat & Barley Scab Initiative (USWBSI) has functioned to develop solutions for Fusarium Head Blight (FHB or scab) for over 22 years. During this time, there has been good progress towards developing novel varieties and management approaches that help control FHB in wheat and barley. To help accelerate the development of improved germplasm and technologies that mitigate FHB, the USWBSI Executive Committee is establishing a new research category referred to as “Transformational Science” (TRSC). TRSC spans all of the research areas of the Initiative.

The overall goals of the TRSC research area are to attract the expertise of early career scientists that are not part of the Initiative, recruit and explore new ideas and research approaches, and develop integrated projects that leverage the strengths of the Initiative. We request proposals that meet at least one, but preferably two, of the following criteria:

1) At least one of the PIs is a new scientist to the Initiative;
2) The proposed work represents a novel approach to address FHB; and
3) Collaboration between scientists from two or more of the current research areas/coordinated projects.

Interested individuals should contact the USWBSI Networking and Facilitation Office (NFO) for further information.

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