

Broad Agency Announcement ONRBAA13-022
"Multidisciplinary University Research Initiative (MURI)
Amendment 0001
"Questions and Answers"

The purpose of Amendment 0001 is to answer questions received in response to ONRBAA 13-022 entitled, "Multidisciplinary University Research Initiative".

Q#1) Is a researcher, other than the lead principal investigator, is permitted to join effort on more than one MURI proposal (whitepaper) each focused on a different topic?

A#1: A researcher, other than the lead principal investigator, is permitted to join effort on more than one MURI proposal (whitepaper) each focused on a different topic.

Q#2) For numbers of funded researchers (most of the research topics has specified the limitation of 6-7 funded researchers), does that number include non PI/CoPI faculty associates or postdoctoral researchers who commits time but not leading the given research effort?

A#2: That number does not include non PI/CoPI faculty associates or postdoctoral researchers who commits time but not leading the given research effort.

Q#3: I am writing to request clarification of the funding amount for the subject BAA for MURI Topic #8. With respect to the following (appearing on p39 of the BAA), does the funding cap of \$1.25M per year refer to direct costs or total costs (i.e., inclusive if indirect costs) and, at what level of overage (10%? 25 %?...) should a case be made for an exception? Anticipated Resources: It is anticipated that awards under this topic will be no more than \$1.25M per year for 5 years, supporting no more than six funded faculty researchers. Proposed exceptions should be presented during the white paper phase of the solicitation.

A#3: The \$1.25M includes indirect costs. The overage should be discussed with the topic chief.

Q#4: Additionally, is this an average cost cap, i.e., a total funding cap of \$3.75M over the course of the 3-year base period or must no single year exceed \$1.25M?

A#4: This is an average cost cap, i.e., a total funding cap of \$3.75M over the course of the 3-year base period.

Q#5: Please advise if a university's research PI eligible to be a PI on the subject above call (MURI BAA). Does any PI, COI, and CO-PI has be a member of academic council of the university?

A#5: A university's research PI is eligible to be a PI on the subject call (MURI BAA). No PI, COI, and CO-PI has to be a member of academic council of the university.

Q#6: Please advise if a university senior scientist will be eligible to be a PI on subject above call (MURI BAA).

A#6 A university senior scientist will be eligible to be a PI on subject above call (MURI BAA).

Q#7: Does any PI, COI, and CO-PI have to be a member of academic council?

A#7: A research PI is eligible. They do not have to be a member of an academic council of the university.

Q#8: One of our faculty members that is interested in responding to the solicitation has requested me to inquire with you regarding your organization's definition of 'Research Faculty', as we were unable to locate a clear definition in the materials provided.

A#8: All faculty are eligible to respond to this BAA. A research faculty is any faculty member who is eligible to submit research proposals and perform research.

Q#9: I wonder whether the reference list can be included in the white paper or it is not recommended to do so.

A#9: Required information for the white papers is included in the BAA. You may submit a reference list if you feel it will strengthen your white paper.

Q#10: Regarding CV of the key investigators, I wonder if there is page limits. In other words, are full CVs ok?

A#10: Full CVs are OK.

Q#11: What is the preferred format for the curriculum vitae?

A#11 : You may use a format of your choice.

Q#12: Is there a page limitation for the curriculum vitae?

A#12: See answer to question number 10.
