

# IMPORTANT NOTICE

## ~~Deadline~~ Extended for FICUS Letters of Intent to Monday, March 23

Due to the many changes that occurred this week at the institutional, state, and federal levels to address the COVID-19 outbreak, we are extending the deadline for the [Letters of Intent for FICUS Research with Multiple Facilities](#) to **Monday, March 23, at 11:00 p.m.** Pacific Daylight Time. We hope that this gives you a little extra time to complete your LOI as you work to find a new “normal” in your routine.



LOIs must be submitted through the [EMSL User Portal](#), and late submissions cannot be considered. User Support Office staff will be monitoring emails and phone calls until the deadline, so if you have any problems or last-minute questions, feel free to call us at 509-371-6003 or email [emsl@pnnl.gov](mailto:emsl@pnnl.gov). If you do not receive an immediate answer, we will get back to you as soon as possible.

This year's Call includes additional opportunities for:

- limited access to the X-ray Fluorescence Microprobe (XFM) Beamline at the National Synchrotron Light Source II (NSLS-II), an Office of Basic Energy Sciences user facility
- seasonal soil samples archived in the National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON) Biorepository, a National Science Foundation observational network of terrestrial and aquatic sites across the US.

Details regarding this year's focused topics are available on our [website](#). Links to the review criteria and proposal package guidance are available by clicking “Letters of Intent” in the grey callout box. To listen to staff talking about this year's opportunities, visit our [YouTube channel](#).

As a reminder, **EMSL's new supercomputer, Tahoma**, is planned to be available for research starting October enable data mining, image processing, and multiscale modeling. Details are available on our [website](#).



1. This system will support computational research requiring significant memory as well as processing speed to

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