**Grant Title:** BUILDING INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH CAREERS IN WOMEN’S HEALTH (K12)

**Grant Number:** RFA-OD-06-004

**Area of Research:** Support mentored research career development of junior faculty members.

**Release and Expiration Dates:** June 13, 2006 release; September 15, 2006 expiration

**Application Deadline:** Letter of Intent: August 14, 2006; Application: September 14, 2006

**Amount:** Up to $460,000 in direct costs

**Length of Support:** Up to 5 years.

**Eligible Applicants:** For profit or nonprofit organizations; public or private institutions such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories; and domestic institutions.

**Agency/Department:** NIH; ORWH, NICHD, NIA, NIAAA, NIAID, NIDA, NIMH, NIAMS, ODS

**Summary:** This funding opportunity supports mentored research career development of junior faculty members, known as Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women’s Health (BIRCWH) Scholars, who have recently completed clinical training or postdoctoral fellowships, and who will be engaged in interdisciplinary basic, translational, behavioral, clinical, and/or health services research relevant to women's health or sex/gender factors. The goal of this initiative is to increase the number and skills of investigators through a mentored research and career development experience leading to an independent scientific career that will benefit the health of women, including research on sex/gender similarities or differences in biology, health or disease. The programs will accomplish these goals by ensuring that mentors represent diverse disciplines needed to carry out interdisciplinary projects that will bridge career development/training with research independence for BIRCWH scholars. Overarching themes for research in women’s health include: lifespan; gender determinants, health disparities/differences and diversity; and interdisciplinary research.