



## ***2008-2009 Avian Biosciences Grant Program-Request for Proposals***

The *Avian Biosciences Center* announces the availability of funding to support research and or education/outreach projects in the avian biosciences with application(s) for commercial poultry production.

1. **Eligibility:** All University of Delaware faculty members and professional staff who are formally affiliated with the *Avian Biosciences Center* may submit grant applications.

2. **Priority Areas:** The proposed research may be applied or basic; multi-disciplinary approaches are encouraged. The research must clearly address one of the following priority areas:

- Poultry Health
- Environmental Compatibility of Poultry Production Practices
- Food Safety of Poultry Products
- Avian Genomics (As applied to any of the above Priority Areas or improvement of poultry genetic stock)

3. **Project Duration:** **November 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009.** All funds must be expended by **June 30, 2009.**

4. **Funding:** The program will provide up to \$25,000.00 in support of research and education/outreach activities for each funded proposal. Funds may be used to support supplies, equipment totaling not more than 50% of the total amount of the grant, travel to professional meetings (up to \$2,000), publication costs related to the grant, and graduate and/or undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Delaware. Subcontracts may be awarded to co-investigators at other institutions. Charging indirect costs to the grants will depend on the source of funds used in a given year to support the grants program. Awards this year will not be subject to indirect costs charges.

5. **Proposal Preparation and Submission:** Proposals must contain the following components and are limited to five pages of text (excluding budgetary information and CVs):

- Project Justification and Objectives
- Literature Review
- Proposed Methodology
- Budget
- Short CV for each project investigator

Submit proposals via email by **September 15, 2008** to: Jack Gelb, Jr., Director, Avian Biosciences Center ([jgelb@udel.edu](mailto:jgelb@udel.edu))

6. **Proposal Review and Selection Criteria:** Final decisions on proposals will be made by a review panel established by the *Avian Biosciences Center*. Proposals will be reviewed based on their scientific merit and relevance to the established priority research areas for this program. Notification of awards will be made by **November 1, 2008.**

7. **Reporting Requirements:** Grant recipients are required to prepare a final written report that summarizes the findings of their research due no later than 90 days after the grant's end date.