

**Project *Apis m.* and the National Honey Board Announce a Request for Research Proposals to Support and Enhance Honey Bee Health.**

**Salt Lake City, Utah, September 23, 2019** – Scientific research provides us with the foundation of knowledge we rely on in order to understand honey bee health threats and address them.

Project *Apis m.* and the National Honey Board are requesting research proposals to support and enhance honey bee health. Proposals will be accepted between September 23, 2019 and October 23, 2018. Please visit [www.ProjectApism.org/rfps](http://www.ProjectApism.org/rfps) to view the full RFP.

In June, 2016 Project *Apis m.* (PAm) and the National Honey Board (NHB) announced that PAm would begin administering the NHB Production Research funds in 2017. This collaboration has streamlined efforts to support the beekeeping industry, by merging the NHB research funding opportunities with several other efforts coordinated by PAm. This collaboration allows opportunities to consider a broader spectrum of efforts linked to supporting the industry, to support collaborations and synergy, and harmonize and access deeper resources when necessary for projects that need larger time or money commitments. Merging efforts has also resulted in one less round of work for all of our hardworking bee researchers who write proposals, the scientific reviewers who read them, and selection committees and administrators who see these processes through.

**The National Honey Board (NHB)** is an industry-funded agriculture promotion group that educates consumers about the benefits and uses of honey and honey products. NHB research, marketing and promotional programs are funded by an assessment on domestic and imported honey and are designed to increase awareness and usage of honey by consumers, the foodservice industry and food manufacturers. For more information please visit [www.honey.com](http://www.honey.com)



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**Project Apis m.** (PAm) is the largest nongovernmental, non-profit honey bee research organization in the USA. Established by beekeepers and almond growers in 2006, PAm bridges industry needs with efforts by top researchers and scientists and has infused nearly \$8 million into honey bee research to support and enhance honey bee health and pollination security. In addition to funding a variety of research projects, PAm programs supplement bee forage in agricultural landscapes, and PAm supports graduate students through scholarships to encourage their pursuit of science-based solutions to honey bee challenges. For more information please visit [www.projectapism.org](http://www.projectapism.org)

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