The C.W. Gehrke Proteomics Center will be awarding a limited number of mini-grants to MU investigators who would like to conduct new studies within the Facility. All costs associated with sample processing and Core staff time involved in training or assisted use can be paid for with these grants! Funding for this program has been made available by Vice Chancellor Mark McIntosh and the Office of Research, Graduate Studies and Economic Development.

Applicants can request up to $5000 for a given project.

Guidelines
- The Principal Investigator can be a graduate student, post-doctoral fellow, staff member or faculty member. Undergraduates are not eligible for this opportunity.
- All training is restricted to one person. This is not a lab-wide training program.
- The funds are to support new projects and directions that are not currently funded. Ideally, the data collected from the project would be incorporated in a new/revised extramural grant proposal.
- If the PI is not a faculty member, the application must include an attached letter from the faculty supervisor stating that he/she supports the application and will be responsible for consumable costs.
- All work must be completed within a 5–month time period based on the start date of the grant. However, all projects must end by June 30, 2018 and the funds must be spent within the Proteomics Center.
- All consumables normally provided by the facility are included in grant totals. However, purchase of proprietary items, like specific reagents or standards, columns, MALDI matrices etc., are the responsibility of applicants or their faculty supervisor.
- Individuals who are awarded grants but fail to submit and/or process samples within the granting period will be ineligible for future Core grants.
- Any unused funds at the end of the 5–month time period will remain with the Proteomics Center.

Application Procedure
- Talk to Dr. Brian Mooney in the Proteomics Center to make sure your project is appropriate for this program. Some examples of our capabilities are as follows: global quantitative proteomics, protein intact mass determination, protein identification from gels or immunoprecipitates, drug/small molecule quantitation, and targeted proteomics (MRM).
- Write a one-paragraph/one-page description of what you hope to accomplish. Grants must identify a specific question to be addressed during the grant period. Requests for training to be used in some project in the future will not be considered. Applications should be submitted to greenliefm@missouri.edu.
- Estimate the cost of the project.
- Propose a start/finish date.
- Grants will be reviewed as they are received and start dates can be as early as September 1, 2017.
- There is no submission deadline for this grant program other than a project must end by June 30, 2018.