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## Memorandum

**Date:** December 1, 2017

**To:** Commission-funded Table Grape Researchers

**From:** Franka Gabler, Ph.D.

**Re:** Request for Continuing Viticulture Research Project Proposals (RFP) – FY 2018-19

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The California Table Grape Commission (commission) is now accepting continuing viticulture research proposals for its FY 2018-19 funding cycle (May 1 – April 30). Please visit the Unified Grant Management for Viticulture and Enology (UGMVE) website at <http://fps.ucdavis.edu/vit> for the proposal and annual progress/final report formats. Proposals and annual progress reports are due by **January 31, 2018** and must be submitted to the UGMVE website (final reports for non-continuing/completed projects (2017-18) are due by April 15, 2018).

Note the commission will not be accepting any new proposals for the 2018-19 funding cycle. Consideration of a continuing project proposal will be contingent upon receipt of the annual progress report (with the continuing proposal) by January 31, 2018, as well as continuing scientific merit/industry relevance and promise of accomplishment. Announcements of the outcome for continuing proposals will be made in May 2018.

While new proposals will not be considered for FY 2018-19, for future reference, please note the top results below from the commission's latest industry survey on viticulture research topics of importance.

<b>1</b>	Mealybugs monitoring and control
<b>2</b>	Impact of viticulture practices on yield, fruit quality, and storage life
<b>3</b>	Effect of plant growth regulators on fruit set, berry size, color, and return fruitfulness
<b>4</b>	New postharvest practices for maintaining quality and extending storage life
<b>5</b>	Botrytis resistance to fungicides
<b>6</b>	Cultivar breeding/evaluation for better, more productive table grape varieties

<b>7</b>	Powdery mildew resistance to fungicides
<b>8</b>	Control of bunch rots
<b>9</b>	Effect of canopy light penetration, temperature, and vine balance on productivity, physiology, and fruit quality
<b>10</b>	Integrated pest and disease management
<b>11</b>	Powdery mildew monitoring and control
<b>12</b>	Evaluation of vine nutrient status and requirements
<b>13</b>	Rootstock breeding for soil pests resistance
<b>14</b>	Gray mold control during storage
<b>15</b>	Cultivar breeding for powdery mildew resistance
<b>16</b>	Research on optimizing irrigation practices
<b>17</b>	Black widow spider monitoring and control
<b>18</b>	Improved pesticide application technology
<b>19</b>	Quarantine and phytosanitary treatments for invasive and export pests (e.g., European grapevine moth, spotted wing drosophila, brown marmorated stink bug, and pink hibiscus mealybug)
<b>20</b>	Nematode monitoring and control

Again, continuing viticulture research proposals for FY 2018-19 and annual progress reports must be submitted online at <http://fps.ucdavis.edu/vit> and received by **January 31, 2018**. Please email me ([franka@grapesfromcalifornia.com](mailto:franka@grapesfromcalifornia.com)) or call 559-447-8350 with any questions.

Regards,



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