**Ariadne Labs Spark Grant Program**

**Letter Of Interest**

**Directions:**

Please use the template on the following page for your LOI to streamline the process. Please limit your LOI response to 1-2 pages, anything beyond two pages will not be considered. You can remove the section directions but please label the sections.

Submit the completed LOI, as well as any questions, to [sparkgrants@ariadnelabs.org](mailto:sparkgrants@ariadnelabs.org).

**Spark Grant Application Criteria**

Ariadne Labs Spark Grant applicants are assessed along four primary criteria. Please consider these criteria as you develop your Spark Grant application and participate in our selection process.

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| Project Clarity   * Identifiable problem and hypothesis on solution * Clear sense of where to start * Logical, high level project plan * Metrics to assess progress | Potential Impact   * Aligned with Ariadne Labs’ mission * Scaled of patient population * Near-term and long-term impact * Potential for paradigm shift in patient care outcomes |
| Feasibility   * Degree of change needed to improve patient outcome * Potential for stakeholder support * Resources required for project * Potential for additional funding | Leadership   * Depth of program understanding * Relevant skills and experience * Ability to lead and manage projects * Alignment with Ariadne Labs’ approach and community |

**Spark Grant LOI Template- March 2021**

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| **Project Title** |  |
| **Proposed By** |  |
| **Harvard School Affiliation** |  |
| **Home Institution** |  |
| **Option (A1, A2, B)** |  |

**Problem:** What is the major problem in healthcare delivery you plan to address (including patient population that will be affected)?

**History:** Please include a brief history of your work and how it informs the project you plan to accomplish at Ariadne Labs.

**Objectives:** How do you plan on achieving the goal of your project? Consider the focus of the grant you are applying for and how you will deliver on the requested output.

* A-1: Qualitative, quantitative, or background research: Research Paper
* A-2: Human-centered design intensive: Prototype ready for testing
* B: Test a solution with promise for scale and spread: data indicating usability and feasibility of the solution

**Alignment:** How would this work align with Ariadne Labs’ methodology ([Ariadne Arc](https://www.ariadnelabs.org/about-us/ariadne-labs-arc/)) and resources ([platforms](https://www.ariadnelabs.org/the-platform-teams/) and [programs](https://www.ariadnelabs.org/areas-of-work/))? Please see our website ([www.ariadnelabs.org](http://www.ariadnelabs.org), and specific links) for more information on the Arc and the resources available at Ariadne Labs.

**Needs:** Please include a preliminary idea of any staff or resources you will need and any that you already have, and an estimate of the total project budget. Please note Spark Grants can only cover salaries up to the NIH cap. (Ariadne Labs Innovation Platform is available to help estimate costs, email [sparkgrants@ariadnelabs.org](mailto:sparkgrants@ariadnelabs.org)).

**Risks/Challenges:** What do you foresee as being the biggest obstacle(s) that could affect the outcome or adoption of your objectives?

**Additional Information:** Is there any additional information that we should know?