



**CRISP Database -- *Computer Retrieval of Information on Scientific Projects***  
<http://crisp.cit.nih.gov/> (also available from ERA Commons web page)

- **What is CRISP?**  
CRISP (Computer Retrieval of Information on Scientific Projects) is a biomedical database system containing information on research projects and programs supported by the Department of Health and Human Services.
- **What type of research is included in CRISP?**  
Most of the research falls within the broad category of extramural projects, grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements conducted primarily by universities, hospitals, and other research institution; and funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and other government agencies.
- **Are grants not funded by NIH included in CRISP?**  
A relatively small number of research grants are funded by:
  - the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
  - the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
  - the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
  - the Agency for Health Care Research and Quality (AHRQ)
- **Is information about intramural programs included in CRISP?**  
CRISP also contains information on the intramural programs of the NIH and the FDA.
- **How often is the information updated?**  
The CRISP database is updated weekly. CRISP records date back to 1972.
- **How can the database be searched?**
  - Keyword – unstructured text
  - Various field, i.e., PI Name, Award Type, Activity, Grant #, Grant Title, Institute/Center, Institution, IRG, State.Thesaurus (controlled vocabulary) is available for selecting appropriate terminology