

FUNDS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

The Research Information Service of the National Research Council has recently compiled information about funds for scientific research. From this compilation it appears that there are hundreds of special funds, trusts, or foundations for the encouragement or support of research, in the mathematical, physical and biological sciences, and their applications in engineering, medicine, agriculture and other useful arts. The income from these funds, which amounts annually to at least fifty million dollars, is used principally for prizes, medals, research scholarships and fellowships, grants and sustaining appropriations or endowments.

So numerous have been the requests to the Research Council for information about sources of research funds, availability of support for specific projects and mode of administration of particular trusts or foundations, that the Research Information Service has created a special file which it is proposed to keep up to date in order to answer the questions of those interested in such funds. Furthermore, in order to give wider publicity to the immediately available information about research funds, the Council has issued a bulletin under the title "*Funds available in 1920 in the United States of America for the encouragement of scientific research.*"

Inquiries concerning the bulletin or for information about research funds should be addressed, National Research Council, Information Service, 1701 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, D. C.

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