Title of Issue (short descriptive
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Support for equipment maintenance or service contracts

Description of Issue

My research activity requires the use of a flow cell sorter and flow analytical instrument. Both instruments are available at ODU in the College of Sciences and in Bioelectrics Center and may serve multiple PI, so they are part of the research infrastructure. However, to my best knowledge, there is no mechanism to support funding to maintain these instruments.

Rationale for Submission

Without flow cell sorter and flow analytical cytometer my research activity is impossible and I will not be able to conduct current research funded by the NIH. The currently funded projects come with sufficient funds (60% of indirect costs) to support instrument maintenance.

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