

# Massachusetts General Hospital Corporate & Foundation Relations Office of Development

# FOUNDATION FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: JANUARY 22, 2021

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# 1. AACR Cancer Disparities Research Fellowships, American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) NEW!

The AACR Cancer Disparities Research Fellowships represent an effort to encourage and support postdoctoral or clinical research fellows to conduct cancer disparities research and to establish a successful career path in this field. The research proposed for funding may be basic, translational, clinical, or epidemiological in nature and must have direct applicability and relevance to cancer disparities.

#### Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants must have a doctoral degree (PhD, MD, MD/PhD, or equivalent) in a related field and not currently be a candidate for a further doctoral degree.
- At the start of the grant term on July 1, 2021, applicants must hold a mentored research position with the title of postdoctoral fellow, clinical research fellow, or the equivalent; have completed their most recent doctoral degree within the past five years (i.e., degree cannot have been conferred before July 1, 2016); and work under the auspices of a mentor at an academic, medical, or research institution anywhere in the world.
- Applicants with a medical degree must have completed their most recent doctoral degree or medical residency whichever date is later within the past five years.
- If eligibility is based on a future position, the position must be confirmed at the time of application and cannot be contingent upon receiving this grant.
- Applicants must be AACR members.



Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$120,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: None

Application Deadline: February 9, 2021

Website: https://www.aacr.org/grants/aacr-cancer-disparities-research-fellowships/

# 2. Lustgarten Foundation-AACR Career Development Award for Pancreatic Cancer Research, in Honor of John Robert Lewis, American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) NEW!

The Lustgarten Foundation-AACR Career Development Award for Pancreatic Cancer Research, in Honor of John Robert Lewis, has been established to honor the life and legacy of Representative Lewis, who worked tirelessly to advance the civil rights of all Americans, even while battling pancreatic cancer. The intent of this program is to support the development and diversity of talent working in pancreatic cancer research.

This award represents a joint effort to encourage and support early career scientists engaged in pancreatic cancer research relevant to the goals and mission of the Lustgarten Foundation. The proposed project may be basic, translational, clinical, or epidemiological in nature and must have direct applicability and relevance to the understanding, detection, diagnosis, or treatment of pancreatic cancer.

## Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Eligibility is limited to members of racial or ethnic groups that have been shown to be underrepresented in the cancer related sciences workforce.
- At the start of the grant term on July 1, 2021, applicants must old an independent faculty appointment at the rank of assistant professor
- Have completed their most recent doctoral degree within the past 11 years (i.e., degree cannot have been conferred before July 1, 2010; the formal date of receipt of doctoral degree is the date the degree was conferred, as indicated on the diploma and/or transcript)
- Applicants must be AACR members.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$300,000 paid over 3 years

**Indirect Costs: None** 

Application Deadline: February 4, 2021

Website: <a href="https://www.aacr.org/grants/lustgarten-foundation-aacr-career-development-award-">https://www.aacr.org/grants/lustgarten-foundation-aacr-career-development-award-</a>

for-pancreatic-cancer-research-in-honor-of-john-robert-lewis/

3. Lustgarten Foundation-AACR Career Development Award for Pancreatic Cancer Research, in Honor of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) NEW! The Lustgarten Foundation-AACR Career Development Award for Pancreatic Cancer Research, in Honor of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, has been established to honor the life and legacy of Justice

Ginsburg, who worked tirelessly to advance gender equality, even while battling pancreatic cancer. The intent of this program is to support the development and diversity of talent working in pancreatic cancer research.

This Award represents a joint effort to support the career advancement of a female scientist engaged in pancreatic cancer research relevant to the goals and mission of the Lustgarten Foundation. The proposed project may be basic, translational, clinical, or epidemiological in nature and must have direct applicability and relevance to the understanding, detection, diagnosis, or treatment of pancreatic cancer.

## Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants must be female investigators with a doctoral degree (PhD, MD, MD/PhD, or equivalent) in a related field and not currently be a candidate for a further doctoral degree
- Have completed their most recent doctoral degree within the past 11 years (i.e., degree cannot have been conferred before July 1, 2010; the formal date of receipt of doctoral degree is the date the degree was conferred, as indicated on the diploma and/or transcript).
- Applicants must be AACR Active members.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$300,000 paid over 3 years

**Indirect Costs: None** 

Application Deadline: February 4, 2021

Website: https://www.aacr.org/grants/lustgarten-foundation-aacr-career-development-award-

for-pancreatic-cancer-research-in-honor-of-ruth-bader-ginsburg/

# 4. ASTRO Residents/Fellows in Radiation Oncology Biology Seed Grant, American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO)

To foster and develop the research careers of residents and fellows performing biological research in radiation oncology and/or cancer focused sciences. The aim of this biology-focused seed grant is to support the next generation of researchers who are planning a career in basic science or translational research.

Any area of basic biological research related to the radiological or oncology sciences and has the potential to advance the radiation oncology field. Specific areas of interest may include, but are not limited to:

- Basic and/or translational research in the radiological and/or cancer sciences to improve cancer treatment.
- Basic and/or translational research to improve understanding of radiation effects on normal tissues.
- Projects to better understand the pathogenesis of cancer cells alone and in the context of the tumor microenvironment.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants must hold a doctorate degree such as PhD, MD/PhD, MD, DO, or other
  equivalent degrees(s) and must be enrolled in a U.S. residency or fellowship at the time
  of application.
- The applicant must be a current and active ASTRO member, or have submitted an application for ASTRO membership, as of the due date of the seed grant application.

Citizenship: Unspecified

Award Amount: \$25,000 for 1 year

**Indirect Costs: None** 

Application Deadline: February 26, 2021

Website: <a href="https://www.astro.org/Patient-Care/Research/Funding-Opportunities/Seed-Grants/">https://www.astro.org/Patient-Care/Research/Funding-Opportunities/Seed-Grants/</a>

# 5. ASTRO Residents/Fellows in Radiation Oncology Seed Grant, American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO)

To foster and develop the research careers of residents and fellows interested in radiationoncology related basic, translational and/or clinical research.

Any area of research that has the potential to advance the radiation oncology field. Specific areas of interest may include, but are not limited to:

- Basic, translational, and clinical research in the radiation therapy sciences.
- Projects in which innovative techniques, new methods or special equipment leading to better patient care are developed.
- Aspects of health care planning and delivery, including outcome evaluation studies (i.e., health services research-related activities).
- Development of programs in health education relevant to the radiation therapy sciences.

#### Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants must hold a doctorate degree such as PhD, MD/PhD, MD, DO, or other equivalent degrees(s) and must be enrolled in a U.S. residency or fellowship at the time of application.
- The applicant must be a current and active ASTRO member, or have submitted an application for ASTRO membership, as of the due date of the seed grant application.

Citizenship: Unspecified

Award Amount: \$25,000 for 1 year

**Indirect Costs: None** 

Application Deadline: February 26, 2021

Website: https://www.astro.org/Patient-Care/Research/Funding-Opportunities/Seed-Grants/

# 6. ASTRO-AAPM Physics Resident/Post-Doctoral Fellow Seed Grant, American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO)

AAPM and the American Society of Radiation Oncology (ASTRO) are happy to announce a jointly funded research seed grant for Medical Physics Residents and Post-Doctoral Fellows. The goal of the joint seed grant is to advance the field of radiation oncology in novel ways through the support of early-career scientists involved in radiation oncology physics-related research. With this jointly supported grant, both societies aim to help support the next generation of researchers in the field of radiation oncology.

Citizenship: Unspecified

Award Amount: \$25,000 for 1 year

**Indirect Costs: None** 

Application Deadline: February 26, 2021

Website: https://www.astro.org/Patient-Care-and-Research/Research/Funding-

Opportunities/ASTRO-AAPM-Physics-Seed-Grant

# 7. ASTRO-BCRF Career Development Award to End Breast Cancer, American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO) NEW!

The goal is to advance the field of radiation oncology in novel ways through the support of talented early-career scientists performing radiation oncology-related research. The aim of the CDA is to support the next generation of researchers and to significantly improve outcomes and quality of life for breast cancer patients.

#### Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants must hold terminal degrees such as PhD, MD, MD/PhD, or other equivalent degrees in medicine or the sciences. Applicants must be employed by the eligible Institution with no more than 5 years (with exceptions please see below) in a US-based faculty appointment (no higher than Assistant Professor) at the time of application.
- Researchers who have experienced lapses in their research career or periods of less than
  full-time effort for reasons such as medical concerns, disability, family care
  responsibilities, natural disasters, and active duty military service can submit requests to
  extend the above-stated 5-year limit for ASTRO and BCRF to consider on a case by case
  basis.
- Residents, early stage postdoctoral fellows, or other trainees will not be eligible to apply.
  However, if at the time of application submission, the trainee has secured
  documentation of an independent faculty position, the application will be accepted for
  review, if all other eligibility criteria have been satisfied.

Citizenship: Unspecified

Award Amount: \$100,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: None

Application Deadline: February 26, 2021

Website: https://www.astro.org/Patient-Care-and-Research/Research/Funding-

Opportunities/ASTRO-BCRF-Award

# 8. ASTRO-PCF Career Development Award to End Prostate Cancer, American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO) NEW!

The goal is to provide support for novel, high impact research projects, and foster and develop talented early career scientists to advance the field of radiation oncology and improve outcomes and quality of life for prostate cancer patients.

## Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants must hold terminal degrees such as PhD, MD, MD/PhD, or other equivalent degrees in medicine or the sciences. Applicants must be employed by the eligible Institution with no more than 5 years (with exceptions please see below) in a US-based faculty appointment (no higher than Assistant Professor) at the time of application.
- Researchers who have experienced lapses in their research career or periods of less than
  full-time effort for reasons such as medical concerns, disability, family care
  responsibilities, natural disasters, and active duty military service can submit requests to
  extend the above-stated 5-year limit for ASTRO and PCF to consider on a case by case
  basis.
- Residents, early stage postdoctoral fellows, or other trainees will not be eligible to apply.
  However, if at the time of application submission, the trainee has secured
  documentation of an independent faculty position, the application will be accepted for
  review, if all other eligibility criteria have been satisfied.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$225,000 paid over 3 years

**Indirect Costs: None** 

Application Deadline: February 26, 2021

Website: https://www.astro.org/Patient-Care-and-Research/Research/Funding-

Opportunities/ASTRO-PCF-Award

#### 9. Evolutionary Therapy, Anticancer Fund

This Request for Application (RFA) seeks to increase clinical trial activity of evolutionarily informed therapeutic strategies aiming at improving survival outcomes of cancer patients.

Knowledge about tumour evolutionary dynamics has been growing rapidly. However, there has been a limited translation of that knowledge into therapeutic trials. The most clinically advanced strategy is adaptive therapy. Adaptive therapy is a treatment strategy attempting to prolong response to treatment by delaying the emergence of resistance. The goal of adaptive therapy is to maintain a controllable stable tumour burden by allowing a significant population

of treatment-sensitive cells to survive. The main principle of the intervention is to control the tumour and prolong survival by allowing on/off treatment periods based on a valid marker.

This RFA will accept clinical trials on adaptive therapy and any other evolutionarily informed strategy, as long as they meet all criteria.

We encourage investigators working on evolutionarily informed strategies (including adaptive therapy) to apply for funding for their clinical trial evaluating such approach in cancer patients.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: We foresee a total budget of 1.5M € (approx. \$1.8 million), we anticipate

supporting up to 3 trials with this budget.

Indirect Costs: None

LOI Deadline: March 1, 2021

(Invited) Application Deadline: June 1, 2021

Website: https://www.anticancerfund.org/en/apply-funding

# 10. Damon Runyon Fellowship Award, Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation

The Foundation encourages all theoretical and experimental research relevant to the study of cancer and the search for cancer causes, mechanisms, therapies and prevention.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants must have completed one or more of the following degrees or its equivalent:
   MD, PhD, MD/PhD, DDS, DVM, DO. The applicant must include a copy of their
   diploma to confirm date of conferral. (If an applicant has not yet received their PhD
   diploma but has successfully completed all PhD requirements, including PhD defense,
   they may submit a letter from the graduate school explicitly stating such, with the date
   of the successful PhD defense and date of degree conferral.)
- Due to COVID-19 related laboratory closures earlier this year, Damon Runyon is extending its application eligibility requirements for the March 15, 2021 application deadline by three months. (This is a one-time extension and will not apply to future deadlines.)
  - Applicants must have received their degrees no more than 18 months 21 months prior to the application deadline date.
  - Applicants must not have been in their Sponsors' labs for more than one year 15 months prior to the application deadline date.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$223,000 paid over 4 years

Indirect Costs: None

Application Deadline: March 15, 2021

Website: <a href="https://www.damonrunyon.org/for-scientists/application-guidelines/fellowship">https://www.damonrunyon.org/for-scientists/application-guidelines/fellowship</a>

# 11. The Nuclear Medicine Pilot Research Grant in Neuroendocrine Tumors (NETs), Education and Research Foundation for Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging

The Nuclear Medicine Pilot Research Grant in Neuroendocrine Tumors (NETs) is designed to help a basic or clinical scientist in the early stages of his/her career conduct novel and innovative research that may be leveraged to lead to further funding from other foundations, corporations or government agencies.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Basic or clinical scientists with an advanced degree, such as MD, PhD, or equivalent are eligible.
- Awardee must hold a full-time faculty or equivalent position in an educational institution when the award starts.
- Applicant must be no more than five years post training (training includes residency, MD/PhD training, professional school, graduate school, post doc, or fellowship).
- Applicant must not have served as the principal investigator of a peer-reviewed grant for more than \$100,000 in a single calendar year.

Citizenship: Unspecified

Award Amount: \$100,000 paid over 2 years

**Indirect Costs: 5%** 

Application Deadline: February 22, 2021

Website: <a href="https://www.mierf.org/to-apply

### 12. Collaborative Research Award, Lipedema Foundation

These investigator-initiated awards are intended to solicit proposals that, if successful, will lead to significant advances in the diagnosis or treatment of Lipedema.

The Lipedema Foundation is focused on expanding the workforce of committed scientists and clinicians interested in bringing their skills to solve issues related to this condition. This call for proposals is soliciting high-impact exploratory research from teams of scientists, clinicians, and surgeons around the world, regardless of background or prior work in Lipedema.

Collaborative Research Award - Designed for team research that requires involvement of multiple institutions or multi-disciplinary researchers. Applications that involve current LF grantees receive priority review.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

• Principal Investigators must hold an independent position by the time of the anticipated project start date.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$250,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: 10%

LOI Deadline: March 15, 2021

(Invited) Application Deadline: June 26, 2021 Website: <a href="https://www.lipedema.org/rfp2021">https://www.lipedema.org/rfp2021</a>

### 13. Mentored Award, Lipedema Foundation

These investigator-initiated awards are intended to solicit proposals that, if successful, will lead to significant advances in the diagnosis or treatment of Lipedema.

The Lipedema Foundation is focused on expanding the workforce of committed scientists and clinicians interested in bringing their skills to solve issues related to this condition. This call for proposals is soliciting high-impact exploratory research from teams of scientists, clinicians, and surgeons around the world, regardless of background or prior work in Lipedema.

Mentored Award - Designed to support postdoctoral research experiences for candidates in non-independent mentored research training. Intended to support PhD (or equivalent research degrees) and clinicians engaged in mentored medical research.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$70,000 paid over 2 years

**Indirect Costs: 10%** 

LOI Deadline: March 15, 2021

(Invited) Application Deadline: June 26, 2021 Website: <a href="https://www.lipedema.org/rfp2021">https://www.lipedema.org/rfp2021</a>

### 14. Proof-of-Concept Award, Lipedema Foundation

These investigator-initiated awards are intended to solicit proposals that, if successful, will lead to significant advances in the diagnosis or treatment of Lipedema.

The Lipedema Foundation is focused on expanding the workforce of committed scientists and clinicians interested in bringing their skills to solve issues related to this condition. This call for proposals is soliciting high-impact exploratory research from teams of scientists, clinicians, and surgeons around the world, regardless of background or prior work in Lipedema.

Proof of Concept Award - Designed to support development of preliminary data for highly innovative hypotheses. Open to investigators of any career stage or background. Successful awards are eligible for streamlined award renewal.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

• Principal Investigators must hold an independent position by the time of the anticipated project start date.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$125,000 for 1 year

**Indirect Costs: 10%** 

LOI Deadline: March 15, 2021

(Invited) Application Deadline: June 26, 2021 Website: <a href="https://www.lipedema.org/rfp2021">https://www.lipedema.org/rfp2021</a>

# 15. Young Investigator Research Team Award to Advance the Field of Translational Immuno-Oncology, Melanoma Research Foundation Breakthrough Consortium (MRFBC) NEW!

The goals of the MRFBC-BMS Young Investigator Translational Immuno-Oncology Team Science Award include 1) to help identify and support the next generation of melanoma scientists and 2) to focus on either improving clinical outcomes for patients with melanoma being treated with immuno-oncology agents or advancing the scientific understanding of immuno-oncology and the role of the immune system in melanoma.

### Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- In addition to the Principal Investigator (PI), at least two co-Principal Investigators (co-PI)s must be identified. If the grant is focused on a rare, niche population, involvement of additional co-PIs and/or institutions is encouraged.
- Grant submissions must involve collaborations from at least two different institutions. Please note: for the sake of this grant, the Harvard Network (Harvard Medical School, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Massachusetts General Hospital and the Broad Institute) will be considered as one institution.
- Further, the PI must be from a MRFBC institution. Additional institutions may include non-MRFBC sites, although involvement of additional MRFBC sites would only serve to strengthen a grant application. A list of the MRFBC institutions can be found on the MRF website at <a href="https://melanoma.org/research-science/scientific-initiatives/mrf-breakthroughconsortium-mrfbc/">https://melanoma.org/research-science/scientific-initiatives/mrf-breakthroughconsortium-mrfbc/</a>.
- The proposed PI and all co-PIs MUST be either a postdoctoral fellow with less than five years of postdoctoral experience at the time the grant will be awarded OR have a title equivalent to a research associate/scientist, instructor or assistant professor at the time of the grant submission.
- Please note: although the PI and the co-PIs must be junior faculty, additional members of the research team may be senior faculty members.
- PIs, as well as co-PIs, are each required to have at least one mentor; the mentors' biosketches must be included in the application.

Citizenship: Unspecified

Award Amount: \$300,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: Unspecified

Application Deadline: March 15, 2021

Website: <a href="https://melanoma.org/research-science/research-grants/research-grant-rfps/">https://melanoma.org/research-science/research-grants/research-grant-rfps/</a>

#### 16. Early Career Investigator Award, METAvivor (Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness)

METAvivor funds research that specifically addresses the mechanistic understanding, diagnosis, and/or treatment of metastatic breast cancer.

METAvivor funds research focused on treating established breast cancer metastases to improve outcomes for stage IV metastatic breast cancer patients. We do not fund research that that seeks to prevent or diagnose breast cancer metastasis, or that is focused on improving quality of life.

# Eligibility requirements (partial list):

• The award is available to early career applicants (investigators within 10 years of their degree award date and within 6 years of starting their first non-tenured position if started).

### Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$100,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: Unspecified LOI Deadline: March 24, 2021

(Invited) Application Deadline: August 23, 2021

Website: https://www.metavivor.org/research/apply-for-a-grant/

#### 17. Research Award, METAvivor (Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness)

METAvivor funds research that specifically addresses the mechanistic understanding, diagnosis, and/or treatment of metastatic breast cancer.

METAvivor funds research focused on treating established breast cancer metastases to improve outcomes for stage IV metastatic breast cancer patients. We do not fund research that that seeks to prevent or diagnose breast cancer metastasis, or that is focused on improving quality of life.

#### Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- All individuals with a clinical doctoral degree or with a doctoral degree who are actively engaged in areas of metastatic breast cancer research and treatment are eligible to apply.
- This award is for established investigators.

#### Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$250,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: Unspecified LOI Deadline: March 26, 2021

(Invited) Application Deadline: August 25, 2021

Website: <a href="https://www.metavivor.org/research/apply-for-a-grant/">https://www.metavivor.org/research/apply-for-a-grant/</a>

### 18. OutSmarting Osteosarcoma Grant, MIB Agents NEW!

MIB Agents is dedicated to the mission to Make It Better for children with osteosarcoma, bone cancer. The OutSmarting Osteosarcoma Grant is an annual research grant begun in 2017. Each year a grant is awarded to a project that will focus on moving research forward for osteosarcoma patients. Proposals may be for a new project or an ongoing larger project for which results can be expected in twelve months.

Citizenship: Unspecified

Award Amount: \$100,000 for 1 year

**Indirect Costs: None** 

Proposal Deadline: February 1, 2021

Website: https://www.mibagents.org/outsmarting-osteosarcoma/

### 19. Young Investigator Grant, Myelodysplastic Syndromes Foundation

The purpose of this Young Investigator Grant is to provide an investigator the opportunity to initiate, continue or complete a project that focuses on either basic or clinical management into the causation, epidemiology, molecular biology, cytogenetics, morphology, prognosis and treatment of the Myelodysplastic Syndromes or related myeloid neoplasms.

Funding may be used towards salary support, technician support, supplies, equipment, travel, etc. necessary for the pursuit of the recipient's research project.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

• An investigator that is 40 years old or less on the date of application submission.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$100,000 paid over 2 years Indirect Costs: 10% of the total award amount

Application Deadline: March 31, 2021

Website: <a href="https://www.mds-foundation.org/yig/">https://www.mds-foundation.org/yig/</a>

### 20. Grant Program, Patty Brisben Foundation for Women's Sexual Health

Since 2006, the Patty Brisben Foundation for Women's Sexual Health ("PBF") has served and continues to serve to enhance women's sexual health and well-being through funding research, providing educational programs, partnering with community organizations and connecting individuals to resources.

By focusing on the following four key areas that have a dramatic impact on women's sexual health, PBF is able to provide support and fund research where it is needed most, to help improve the lives of the highest number of women:

- Vulvovaginal Pain Disorders
- Impact of Perimenopause and Menopause on Sexual Health
- Intimacy-Related Sexual Dysfunction After Cancer Treatment
- Libido and Sexual Desire

Citizenship: United States

Award Amount: Up to \$100,000 paid over 3 years

**Indirect Costs: 10%** 

LOI Deadline: February 7, 2021

(Invited) Full Application Deadline: Mar 25, 2021

Website: http://pattybrisbenfoundation.org/research-education/#funding

#### 21. Grants, Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation (PCRF)

The Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation awards four types of grants:

• Basic Research Science Grant

This type of grant primarily funds basic science, translational and/or clinical state of the art pediatric cancer research initiatives.

• Translational Research Grant

This type of grant primarily funds new research protocols and therapies that hold promise for improved outcomes and accelerates cures from the laboratory bench to the bedside of children and teens with high-risk cancers.

• Emerging Investigator Fellowship Grant

These grants are designed to support Post-Doctoral Fellowships and Clinical Investigator training for emerging pediatric cancer researchers to pursue exciting research ideas. Applicants must have completed two years of their fellowship, or not more than two years as a junior faculty instructor or assistant professor at the start of the award period.

• Designated Grant Program

Funds projects in communities or regions local to the specific donor or fundraising activity. Outside contributing organizations, fundraisers and donors work with the Foundation to identify a specific project, focus on a specific disease type, facility or awareness program.

Citizenship: Unspecified

### Award Amount:

- Basic Research Science Grants: \$250,000 a year for multiple years
- Translational Research Grants: \$100,000 a year for multiple years
- Emerging Investigator Fellowship Grant: \$50,000 a year and can be renewed annually

• Designated Grant Program Grants: any specific amount as designated by the donor or contributing organization

**Indirect Costs: None** 

Application Deadline: March 1, 2021 Website: <a href="https://pcrf-kids.org/grants/">https://pcrf-kids.org/grants/</a>

## 22. COVID-19 Vaccine Patient Education: Addressing Vaccine Hesitancy NEW! COVID!

Through this RFP it is our intent to support patient education programs designed to increase the understanding and familiarity with COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccination among the general population. Of particular interest are educational programs that focus on reaching the medically underserved and other under-immunized populations including those in both rural and urban settings.

All activity types will be considered, though given the current circumstances, virtual and digital activities will be prioritized. This includes applications to repurpose existing educational resources into easy-to-use and easy-to-access delivery formats (e.g. mobile apps.) We will also consider applications repurposing education or training resources that currently exist in one language but could be modified and translated to other languages and rolled out in different geographies.

It is not our intent to support clinical research projects. Projects evaluating the efficacy of therapeutic or diagnostic agents will not be considered.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$10,000-\$100,000 paid over 2 years. Larger grants will be considered

depending on the project proposed.

**Indirect Costs: 28%** 

Application Deadline: February 10, 2021

Website: https://www.pfizer.com/purpose/independent-grants/competitive-grants

### 23. Distinguished Scientist Awards, Sontag Foundation

The Distinguished Scientist Award (DSA) seeks to provide career and research support to early career scientists who demonstrate outstanding promise for making scientific and medical breakthroughs in the field of brain cancer research.

Recipients of the award are inspired individuals with projects that show potential to generate new knowledge relating to causes, cure or treatment of primary brain tumors/brain cancer. Applicants are carefully considered and selected by The Sontag Foundation and its independent Scientific Advisory Board based on the scientific merit of the proposed project, career trajectory, peer and mentor references and an onsite research facility visit. In determining the overall scientific merit of an application, the Scientific Advisory Board scores applications based on the NIH review criteria of: significance, investigator, innovation, approach, and environment.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants must hold a doctoral degree in a discipline which can be brought to bear on the intractable disease, brain cancer.
- Applicants must have received their first independent faculty appointment no earlier than March 1, 2016 and no later than January 1, 2021 at a tax-exempt academic, research, or medical institution within the United States or an equivalent institution in Canada.

Citizenship: United States or Canada

Award Amount: \$600,000 paid over 4 years

**Indirect Costs: 13%** 

Application Deadline: March 17, 2021

Website: <a href="http://www.sontagfoundation.org/all-grants/brain-cancer/">http://www.sontagfoundation.org/all-grants/brain-cancer/</a>