



**FOUNDATION FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: AUGUST 6, 2021**

Please contact Corporate & Foundation Relations in the Office of Development at [devcfr@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:devcfr@mgh.harvard.edu) if you wish to submit a proposal in response to any of these opportunities. Note that proposals are still routed through the standard InfoEd/Research Management process.

Please be aware that any grant that brings in less than **15% in indirect costs (IDC)** will need to be supplemented up to the 15% equivalent by existing investigator or departmental sundry funds. Resolution of this issue must occur prior to submitting a proposal. Training fellowships from foundations, public charity, and non-profit organizations are excluded from this minimum IDC requirement.

The MGB **Proposal Deadline Policy** establishes internal deadlines for sponsored research proposals to ensure that submissions meet sponsor criteria and institutional/regulatory requirements. Deadlines are:

- The complete Administrative Components are due to Research Management (RM) on or before the **8th Business Day** by 5 PM.
- The Final (Science) Components are due to RM on or before the **3rd Business Day**.

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## **1. AACR Clinical Oncology Research (CORE) Training Fellowships, American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)**

The AACR Clinical Oncology Research (CORE) Training Fellowships Program is designed to provide an effective industry-academic clinical practicum with a unique training opportunity to develop academic clinicians in drug development. Each fellowship provides for the fellow to work on site at the facility of one of AACR's pharmaceutical industry partners. Time to be spent at the industry site over this one-year period can be flexible and is determined upon mutual agreement between the selected fellow, the fellow's institution, and the industry partner.

This fellowship is designed for scientists interested in acquiring the knowledge and skills related to clinical trial design and execution from the perspective of the pharmaceutical industry. The fellow will gain real-world experience in clinical development, including drug development, clinical research, clinical trial design, and data analysis.

The industry partners for this program and their research areas include the following:

- Agenus (facility located in Lexington, MA): Clinical development of a pipeline of novel immune therapies
- AstraZeneca (facility located in Gaithersburg, MD): Early-stage and late-stage clinical development in immuno-oncology
- Bayer Healthcare (facility located in Cambridge, MA): Early-stage and/or late-stage clinical development in oncology

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants must be AACR members.
- Applicants must have enrolled in an accredited hematology/oncology or radiation oncology fellowship program at an academic, medical, or research institution within the United States.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$100,000 for 1 year

Indirect Costs: 20%

Research Management Deadline: August 19, 2021

Application Deadline: August 31, 2021

Website: <https://www.aacr.org/grants/aacr-clinical-oncology-research-core-training-fellowships/>

## **2. Early Stage Investigator Seed Grants (ESI Seed Grants), Antibacterial Resistance Leadership Group (ARLG)**

Each year, direct costs will be provided to up to early stage investigators (ESIs) for research in areas related to antibacterial resistance (AR). The purpose of the ESI Seed Grant is to allow researchers to generate preliminary data leading to additional external funding.

ESI Seed Grants can be used to support initial research in any area related to AR. Importantly, these funds can be used to give ESIs access to strains contained in the ARLG Virtual Biorepository Strain Catalogue.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Those who are early in their research career (5 years or less) are eligible.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount:

- Early Faculty Seedling Award: The award provides 50% of current salary support per year for protected research for up to two years and up to \$25,000 in direct costs for research over the two years. The applicant is required to provide confirmation for 25% of salary commitment from their institution of additional protected time for research above and beyond the 50% received as part of this award (Institutional Support Letter).
- ESI Seed Grants: \$50,000 for 1 year
- EVERYONE Seed Grants: \$50,000 for 1 year

Indirect Costs: None

Proposal Deadline: Continuous

Website: <https://arlg.org/how-to-apply/esi-seed-grant-applicants>

**3. Annual DeGregorio Foundation Award for Cancers of the Esophagus and Stomach, DeGregorio Family Foundation for Stomach and Esophageal Cancer Research and Education**  
The DeGregorio Family Foundation for Gastric and Esophageal Cancer ([www.DeGregorio.org](http://www.DeGregorio.org)) is pleased to announce our annual funding opportunity for gastroesophageal malignancies. The Foundation seeks to promote and facilitate collaborative research on the pathogenesis, early diagnosis, and treatment of upper gastrointestinal malignancies. We support high quality, innovative, and transformative translational and bench research to improve the understanding of the biology of these diseases, identification of potential novel therapeutic targets, or in the development and evaluation of novel biomarkers for early diagnosis and treatment. Pre-clinical research, basic mechanistic studies, genomic/epigenomic studies, as well as epidemiologic studies may also be supported.

Citizenship: United States

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

Indirect Costs: 10%

Research Management Deadline: October 21, 2021

Application Deadline: November 2, 2021

Website: <http://www.degregorio.org/wp/annual-degregorio-foundation-award/>

#### **4. Ted and Elaine Welp Enhanced Career Development Program Award (Enhanced CDA), Foundation Fighting Blindness (FFB)**

The Foundation Fighting Blindness (FFB) and the Foundation Fighting Blindness-Clinical Research Institute (FFB-CRI) are dedicated to supporting research to advance therapeutic and preventive strategies for inherited orphan retinal degenerative diseases into the clinic.

This program for enhanced research and clinical training is intended to support a strong pool of clinician-scientists with a commitment to clinical research on inherited orphan retinal degenerative diseases by providing support for:

- the recruitment of clinician-scientists whose research focus in iRDs has been for five or fewer years, or
- the retention of early-career clinician-scientists with prior career development support (K-type or other CDA) who have not secured support as Principal Investigator for independent research (e.g. R01 or Individual Investigator award).

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- have successfully completed an ophthalmology residency or equivalent training program
- hold a full-time tenure track or equivalent appointment at the sponsoring institution with a commitment for five (5) years

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$510,000 paid over 3 years

Indirect Costs: None

Application Deadline: Currently accepting applications with formal deadline TBD.

Website: <https://www.blindness.org/apply-for-funding>

#### **5. PANCAN Career Development Award, Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PANCAN)**

The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network Career Development Award represents an effort to encourage and support junior faculty to conduct pancreatic cancer research and establish successful career paths 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 pancreatic cancer. Special consideration will be given to understudied areas in pancreatic cancer research.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Hold a faculty position with the title of assistant professor, instructor, research assistant professor or the equivalent.
- Have completed their most recent doctoral degree within the past 11 years (i.e., degree cannot have been conferred before July 2, 2011; the formal date of receipt of doctoral degree is the date the degree was conferred, as indicated on their diploma and/or transcript).

- Not have currently or previously served as a principal investigator on major research awards or grants (e.g., NIH R00, NIH R01 or equivalent). Applicants who are/were principal investigators on major grants are considered to have already received funding to catalyze their careers and are not eligible to apply.
  - Training grants and other mentor-linked funding are not considered independent funding.
- Have independent laboratory space as confirmed by his/her institution in the Letter of Institutional Support.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

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

Indirect Costs: 10%

Research Management Deadline: October 13, 2021

Application Deadline: October 25, 2021

Website: <https://www.pancan.org/research/grants-program/apply-for-a-pancreatic-cancer-research-grant/>