

Sponsor: V Foundation
Program Title: 2017 Cancer Research Grant Program
Translational Award
Maximum Award Amount: \$600,000 (three annual installments of
\$200,000)
Nomination limit: 1 – 2 (see details)

Deadlines:

Internal Deadline
February 21, 2017

Sponsor Deadline
Tuesday, March 14, 2017

Summary:

The V Foundation seeks to support translational research projects within the scope of all types of cancers.

Definition of a translational research project: Projects should move a novel strategy from the laboratory into a human clinical trial or use specimens from a clinical trial to develop biomarkers or mechanisms. The research should apply in some direct way to human beings within the time frame of less than 3 years. If biomarker research is undertaken, a validation set or independent clinical trial is essential. A plan for biomarker validation, if applicable, must be included in any proposals. The endpoint of the project should be the planning or initiation of a new clinical trial.

Who may apply?

The Cancer Center may nominate up to two nominees for the 2017 Cancer Research Grant Program Translational Award, if at least one of the two nominee applicants is submitting a research project that focuses on the biological basis of cancer disparities experienced by patients from minority ethnic or racial populations in cancer causes, aggressiveness, treatment or relapse. Minorities for the purposes of the application are defined as African Americans or people of African descent, Pacific Islanders, Hispanic Americans, and Native Americans and Alaskan Natives.

Special Focus area: Any area of cancer research is permitted. Research on cancers that are more prevalent or aggressive in specific ethnic populations is encouraged, but not required. Cancers in which ethnic and racial disparities have previously been shown include: lung and bronchus, colon and rectum, breast, prostate, uterine, cervix, stomach and liver.

Internal Nomination Process:

This solicitation requires an internal review process by the Cancer Center. **To be considered for this opportunity, please complete the following information by **Tuesday, February 21, 2017** and upload to the Cancer Center's funding opportunities website at: <http://pilotprojects.onc.jhmi.edu>.**

- 1) Registration information requested on the internal grant website
- 2) Title page to include the following:
 - a. Name of PI
 - b. Title of project
 - c. Please indicate if your project focuses on the biological basis of cancer disparities experienced by patients from minority ethnic or racial populations in cancer causes, aggressiveness, treatment or relapse as discussed in the original V Foundation Application Instructions. 1-page summary of proposed research
 - d. Biosketch or CV of Principal Investigator

If you have any questions, please email Gail Voelker at voelkga@jhmi.edu or call 410-955-8823. For more details regarding the formal application, please see the application instructions included with this document.

Note: This program is limited.
Do not submit applications to
the V Foundation directly.



2017 Cancer Research Grant Program

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

TRANSLATIONAL AWARD

Application Instructions

PURPOSE OF AWARD:

The V Foundation seeks to support translational research projects within the scope of **all types of cancers**. The Translational Research Award is a \$600,000 grant awarded in three annual installments of \$200,000. Indirect costs up to a maximum of 10% within the total award are permitted.

Definition of a translational research project: Translational projects should move a novel strategy from the laboratory into a human clinical trial or use specimens from a clinical trial to develop biomarkers or mechanisms. The research should apply in some direct way to human beings within the time frame of less than 3 years. If biomarker research is undertaken, a validation set or independent clinical trial is essential. A plan for biomarker validation, if applicable, must be included in any proposal. The endpoint of the project should be the planning or initiation of a new clinical trial.

WHO MAY APPLY?

You are invited to submit up to two nominees from your research institution for consideration for the Translational Award, if at least one of the two nominee applicants is submitting a research project that focuses on the biological basis of cancer disparities experienced by patients from minority ethnic or racial populations in cancer causes, aggressiveness, treatment or relapse. Minorities for the purposes of this application are defined as African Americans or people of African descent, Pacific Islanders, Hispanic Americans and Native Americans and Alaskan Natives.

Special Focus area: As in previous years, **any** area of cancer research is permitted. However, research on cancers that are more prevalent or aggressive in specific ethnic populations is encouraged, but not required. Cancers in which ethnic and racial disparities have previously been shown include: lung and bronchus, colon and rectum, breast, prostate, uterine, cervix, stomach and liver. As in 2016, among our highly ranked finalists for the 2017 Translational Award program, we will designate at least one of the highest ranked applications as the recipient of a Stuart Scott Memorial Fund Translational Research Award. While not required, we have a special interest in supporting immune oncology and immunotherapy research, when applicable.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Institution Eligibility:

- Only research institutions that received this invitation may submit a nominee for consideration. Other affiliates of the institution that did not receive the email are not eligible to nominate an applicant.
- Institutions must be non-profit research institutions in the US or Canada.

Applicant Eligibility: All nominated applicants must be leading a Translational Award research team. The applicant must meet all of the following criteria to be eligible to submit an application:

- The nominee must be nominated by their Cancer Center Director if the research institution is a cancer center. If the research institution is not a cancer center, then the provost, dean or other senior research administrative official who is responsible for the internal nominee selection process may make the nomination. We do not review unsolicited applications.
- Applicant must be employed at a non-profit research institution (e.g. 501c3, Section 170).
- By the Due Date of the Application, applicants who will lead this research team must have all the following:
 - Be scientists who hold a tenure-track faculty position at their cancer research institution. Non-promotable, adjunct, affiliated, temporary, part-time or acting faculty positions are not eligible for Principal Investigator nomination to lead the Translational Research Team.
 - Applicants must be either US Citizens or have a legal permit to work in the USA (either temporary or permanent).

NEXT STEPS TO NOMINATE YOUR APPLICANT:

Complete the attached Nomination Information Form and email to grants@jimmyv.org by March 14, 2017. The nomination form includes the signature of the Cancer Center Director (or similar high ranking research official if there is no cancer center director) who is responsible for the nomination and ensuring that the candidate meets all eligibility requirements. **After we receive your Nominee Information Form, we will issue log in credentials to your applicant who can then submit their application on-line. We will issue log in credentials to applicants as we receive nominations.**

IMPORTANT DATES:

Nomination Due Date: by 5:00 PM Eastern Time on **Tuesday, March 14, 2017.**

Translational Application Due Date: by 5:00 PM Eastern Time on **Tuesday, May 2, 2017.**

If you have any questions about the nomination process, please contact me or Kameko Owoeye, Grants Coordinator for assistance. We are delighted to extend this invitation and look forward to receiving your nominations.

Best Wishes,

Carole

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2017 Nomination Form-Translational Award Applicant

Scan and Email this completed form to grants@jimmyv.org

Nominee Contact Information:

First and Last Name (including degrees):	
E-mail address:	
Phone number:	
Mailing address:	
<p>Is your nominee eligible to receive funding through the Stuart Scott Memorial Cancer Research Fund? Does the applicant's research project focus on the <u>biological basis of cancer disparities experienced by patients from minority ethnic or racial populations in cancer causes, aggressiveness, treatment or relapse?</u> Minorities for the purposes of this application are defined as African Americans or people of African descent, Pacific Islanders, Hispanic Americans and Native Americans and Alaskan Natives. Circle Yes or No</p>	<p>Yes or No</p>

Project Title:

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Legal name of the research institution or medical system to which the grant will be made- as the name should appear in the grant contract:

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Grants Office Contact Information:

Grants Officer Name:	
E-mail address:	
Phone number:	

Mailing address:	
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Award Payment Information:

Tax ID for the research institution:	
Legal "Pay to" institution name for the check:	
Name of person to whom the award check should be directed:	
Correct mailing address for the check:	

Public Information Office Contact Information (so we can better publicize the PI's work):

Name of Contact:	
Title:	
Email address:	
Phone Number:	
Mailing Address:	

I am the Cancer Center Director, or comparable official responsible for the internal nominee selection process. By my signature, I am certifying that this is the individual who I am nominating and this nominee meets all applicant eligibility criteria: (Please provide electronic signature below or print, sign and return the completed form to The V Foundation.)

Name and Title of Administrative Official

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Signature of Administrative Official (Please note if you have any difficulties with this field, please print the form, sign it, and return the completed form to The V Foundation.)

