

2016-17 KRAS TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS

PANCREATIC
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NETWORK

Frederick National Laboratory
for Cancer Research

The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and NCI Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research (FNLCR) have joined together to award KRAS Travel Scholarships to support travel to FNLCR to pursue cutting edge research on pancreatic cancer and KRAS that is aligned with the RAS Initiative. This is a unique and exciting opportunity for researchers to access the intellectual resources and state-of-the-art technology that are available at FNLCR, the only federal national laboratory in the United States devoted exclusively to biomedical research.

A total of \$25,000 will be awarded in Travel Scholarships on a rolling basis until these funds are committed. The amount of support requested for travel should be consistent with the time needed to accomplish the proposed scope of work at FNLCR. The Scholarship provides reimbursement directly to the Scholar for reasonable and customary travel expenses to and from FNLCR. Expenses eligible for reimbursement include air and ground transportation, parking, hotel and meals.

While visiting FNLCR, Scholars will be granted guest researcher status and will have access to onsite equipment, technology, reagents and other research supplies at no cost. Technical support and counsel will be available from RAS Initiative leadership and the research team. Scholars will have the opportunity to participate in lab meetings, seminars and other professional activities.

To be considered, complete the application template and upload your NIH Biographical Sketch Form [PHS 398/2590 (Rev. 06/09) or OMB No. 0925-0001/0002 (Rev. 08/12)] online using the proposalCENTRAL website at <https://proposalcentral.altum.com>. After logging into the site, select the "Grant Opportunities" tab, find "KRAS Travel Scholarship (Pancreatic Cancer Action Network – NCI Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research)" and click the "Apply Now" link.

Project Eligibility

The research proposed to be accomplished at FNLCR must:

- be directly relevant and applicable to pancreatic cancer and KRAS;
- benefit from resources and collaborations available at FNLCR;
- involve a technical challenge and/or training objective; and
- relate to any priority research area of the RAS Initiative: structural biology and biochemistry, RAS inhibitor assays, RAS-member interactions, biology of mutant KRAS cells lines and pathway analysis. See <http://www.cancer.gov/research/key-initiatives/ras/ras-projects-hub>.)

Applicant Eligibility

Applicants must:

- hold a medical and/or doctoral degree (PhD, MD, DO, PharmD or equivalent) in the biomedical sciences or in a field applicable to health science research; and
- be affiliated with and based at an academic, medical or research institution in the United States.

Employees/subcontractors of a government or for-profit entity are not eligible.

Selection

Competitive selection.

Applicants notified of funding decisions within four weeks of application submission.

Applications evaluated based on:

- alignment of proposed research with the RAS Initiative;
- potential impact of proposed research;
- fit of the proposed research to applicant's broader research program; and
- anticipated benefit of scholarship for applicant.

For technical issues regarding the online application process: proposalCENTRAL customer support at (703) 964-5840, toll free (800) 875-2562 or pcsupport@altum.com.

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