

## **Stanford Cancer Institute 2018 Pancreatic Cancer Innovation Awards (PCIA)**

### **Request for Applications**

The Stanford Cancer Institute (SCI) solicits applications for **Pancreatic Cancer Innovation Projects**. SCI seeks innovative proposals that have a high likelihood of leading to external funding, new clinical interventions, new intellectual property, or other clear measures of success. The most important criterion for awards is promising science with the potential to lead to a greater understanding of pancreatic cancer, with the ultimate goal of improving the prevention or treatment of pancreatic cancer. SCI solicits innovative proposals from multidisciplinary groups with a team science approach.

Applications will be evaluated on the following positive criteria:

- All criteria above
- Extent of multi-disciplinary collaborations, including collaborations involving Stanford faculty outside the School of Medicine or in different research programs within the Institute
- Plans of submission of a complex multi-investigator external peer reviewed (preferable NCI) grant in the next 18 months
- Potential to lead, or is already leading to an investigator-initiated (preferably independently funded) clinical trial

### **Award Funding**

Awards will be funded for one year with an earliest start date of September 1, 2018. Awards up to **\$50,000 total cost** (\$46,300 directs, \$3,700 indirects).

### **Eligibility**

The RFA is open to all members of the Stanford Cancer Institute and any member of the Stanford University community with PI status. If the PI is not a Cancer Institute member, the application should include a letter of support from a sponsoring Cancer Institute member, who should also be a project collaborator.

### **Timeline**

<b>RFA Posted</b>	<b>May 2, 2018</b>
Applications Due	June 15, 2018
Notification of Selection	July 2, 2018
Funding Period	September 1, 2018 – August 31, 2019
12 Month Progress Report	September 30, 2019
Members Retreat Poster Presentation	Spring 2020
24 Month Progress Report	August 31, 2020
36 Month Progress Report	August 31, 2021

The guidelines are noted below, and additional information can be found on the Stanford Cancer Institute funding page:

<http://med.stanford.edu/cancer/research/funding.html>

### **Application Guidelines**

All required application forms including guidelines, cover pages, budget, and biosketch forms are available on the Cancer Institute's Funding website at <http://med.stanford.edu/cancer/research/funding.html>.

A complete application includes a cover page, ONE PAGE research proposal, bibliography, budget, budget justification, NIH biosketch, IRB/APLAC Approval, SCI Routing form and PI photograph. Details about each section are provided in the following paragraphs.

### **Cover Page and Abstract**

All sections of the downloadable PDF cover pages must be completed in full. A single PTA will be set up for each accepted proposal. Please enter Department/Division Manager name and contact information for managing the award funding.

### **Research Proposal (ONE PAGE)**

The research proposal should be no more than ONE PAGE (Single sided, single-spaced, 1/2 inch margins, Arial 11). Investigators are free to organize information as they choose. The application should be a concise statement of the proposed research. Please include a discussion of follow-on plans, proposals, and implications. The discussion of follow-on activity is aimed at insuring that these internally funded awards lead to productive outcomes such as new clinical trials, NCI grants, or other scientifically or clinically important accomplishments.

### **Bibliography**

Include only key references and references cited in the body of the proposal.

### **Budget**

Awards will be made based on TOTAL COST. Assume an 8% Indirect Cost (IDC) rate. The accompanying budget justification should be sufficiently detailed so that reviewers can assess whether the proper resources have been requested.

The SCI Pancreatic Cancer Innovation Awards are considered University awards and as such must follow OSR guidelines and processes, For University awards, the SCI requires the PI to charge a minimum of 1% of the "Set" NIH salary cap to the award.

If IRB/APLAC approvals are not received within 90 days of the funding period start date, the designated funds will revert back to the SCI, and the recipient will be notified to resubmit during the next cycle.

Grant funds may be budgeted for:

- PI salary support (1% required, not to exceed 10% of total award)
- Other personnel directly supporting proposed project

- Equipment and supplies
- Other purposes deemed necessary for successful execution of proposed project

### **NIH Biosketches**

The application must include an NIH biosketch, with other support included for the PI and Co- Investigators.

### **IRB, SRC and APLAC Approval**

Approvals are not required at the time of proposal application, however, we strongly suggest that you begin the approval process. All approvals are required before PTA accounts can be setup.

Research involving animals or human subjects must be reviewed in accordance with the University's general assurances and HIPAA. Projects involving human subjects must be submitted to an Internal Review Board (IRB). Intervention studies and clinical protocols must be reviewed and approved by the Scientific Review Committee (SRC). Projects involving animal studies must also submit approval forms from the Administrative Panel on Animal Care (APLAC). All investigators and persons named on the budget page must have certification of training in the protection of human subjects.

**Funding account information will not be available, until all associated IRB, SRC and/or APLAC approvals are received. Delays in approvals will not extend the funding period.**

### **Appendices**

If the investigator has received other grant support for the proposed research (or similar research) in the past, relevant funding information should be included in the appendices. Otherwise appendices are discouraged.

### **SCI Routing Form**

The downloadable MS Word file is available on the Cancer Institute's website.

### **PI Photograph**

Required and will be used by SCI Communications (if selected for funding)

### **Proposal Submission**

**By June 15, 2018, 5:00 PM, email the complete application in a single .pdf [filename LAST\_First 2018 PCIA] to Denise Baughman at: [deniseb@stanford.edu](mailto:deniseb@stanford.edu). Subject line: "2018 Pancreatic Cancer Innovation Award"**

### **Review and Criteria**

A committee comprised of Cancer Institute senior faculty leaders and members will review proposals and make recommendations for award funding. Evaluation criteria include those attributes listed above and:

- Scientific merit
- Relevance to cancer research; population sciences; or clinical/translational

cancer research (c) Qualifications, experience and productivity of the applicant

- Collaboration within the cancer research community
- Project feasibility given facilities, milestones, budget, time and other resources available (e) Potential for future grants and/or publications and / or
- Potential for future PPGs or multi-project grants. (For more information about PPG's visit: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/funding\\_program.htm](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/funding_program.htm))

### **Progress Reports and Presentations**

Progress reports will be required at 12, 24 and 36 months after the funding start date. Or earlier for smaller projects, or if the grant recipient is leaving the University. In addition to progress reports, you will also be required to present and discuss your funded research project at an upcoming Cancer Institute Members' Retreat (or a special seed grant conference). You may also be requested to discuss your progress at a future SCI leadership meeting.

Future funding eligibility will be based on the completion of deliverables. **Funding may be revoked if adequate progress is not being made or progress reports are not submitted.**

### **Acknowledgement of Research Support**

Awardees must acknowledge the research support of the Stanford Cancer Institute in all communications – including publications, presentations, newsletters and abstracts. Suggested boilerplate text is – “This work was conducted with support from a Stanford Cancer Institute Pancreatic Cancer Innovation Award grant.”