ELIGIBILITY

The Stanford Pediatric IBD and Celiac Disease Research Awards Program aims to spark innovative and transdisciplinary research and develop new treatments to improve the lives of all children with IBD and celiac disease for generations to come. Through this mechanism we can harness the expertise of scientists already in place across Stanford and pivot their work toward pediatric disease and push research in novel directions to benefit children. The research awards will help fuel early-stage, high-risk, high-reward projects not yet ready for NIH or other government funding.

Proposals should demonstrate a clear potential for the research to generate robust preliminary data for future applications to external funding agencies.

The awards will provide up to 2 years of funding to support a wide range of scientific approaches with the potential to advance our understanding of pediatric IBD and celiac disease.

Research must be primarily related to maternal and child health. All areas of research are eligible: basic, translational, clinical research, epidemiology/statistics, informatics, health services, or health policy.

APPLICATION

Cover Page (using format provided)

Lay Summary: 300 words or less

Research Proposal:
- Concise description of the project aims, hypothesis, background, preliminary studies (if available), study design and methods, potential limitations, research team expertise and capabilities, research timeline, multi-year budget and IRB approval letter.
- Proposals should include a plan for statistical analyses and a brief description of sample size and statistical power calculations.
- Proposals should clearly articulate the relevance to pediatric IBD and celiac disease and potential for patient impact.
- The proposal should be a maximum six pages text, not including references, and no more than five additional pages of attachments or appendices.

Research Team:
For all members of the proposal submit:
- NIH Biosketch and “Other Support Page”

IRB Approval:
It is strongly encouraged that you submit your IRB application prior to the MCHRI application submission deadline and the IRB review meeting date stated in the MCHRI application. If there is an approval letter, it must be attached with the application. If approved for funding, the award cannot commence (fund transfer) without the approved protocols. For more information, please see: http://humansubjects.stanford.edu/

Biostatistical Consultation
A biostatistical consult is required for all human-based studies and those with power calculations.

As part of a partnership with the Stanford Quantitative Sciences Unit (QSU), MCHRI grant applicants may request services as needed to support the success of their research project (most services at no charge to the investigator). Their expertise is available for consultation, the development of grant proposals, and implementation of funded projects. Click here to submit a request directly to the QSU. Request QSU consults no later than 4 weeks prior to submission deadline.

1 “Child” or “Children” refers to the expectant mother, oocyte, zygote, embryo, fetus, infant, child and adolescent.
Patient Oriented Research at SCH

Studies involving patients at Stanford Children’s Health (SCH) must contact the SCH Clinical Research Support Office early in the study design phase by emailing crso@stanfordchildrens.org to ensure hospital units involved can assess feasibility and resource requirements are taken into consideration, including hospital costs. Studies that would occur at SCH without CRSO consultation will not be reviewed or may be asked to resubmit in the next cycle.

AWARD

Up to $100,000 / year for up to two years. Total award of $200,000. Should there be a carryforward balance of greater than twenty-five percent, the funds transfer will be held at the discretion of MCHRI until the balance has been expended.

Unexpended funds will be returned after the performance period (see No-Cost Extensions below).

Award may be used for:
- Research personnel
- PI salary
- Computer software (must be justified), supplies or other materials/services relevant to the project
- Travel, symposia, or seminars which are an integral part of the proposal

Award may NOT be used for:
- Computer equipment
- Membership dues, journal subscriptions, books
- Office supplies, computer equipment, software, or accessories for office or administrative use
- Any other indirect research costs

NO-COST EXTENSIONS

Requests must be submitted at least thirty (30) days prior to the end date on the award letter. Requests are considered on a case-by-case basis. Not all requests are approved. Only one extension is granted per project.

SELECTION PROCESS

Proposals are reviewed by the Pediatric IBD and Celiac Disease review panel. Assessments will be based on the significance, innovation and approach of the proposed research; research environment and investigator team; relevance and potential impact of the research on pediatric IBD and celiac disease.

AWARDEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The PI will take responsibility for the research idea, development methods, supervision and conduct of the study in addition to the following:

- Member of MCHRI, keep Stanford Medicine Profile (formerly-CAP) updated, and utilize “Permit PubMed Import” feature.
- Submit reports in a timely manner, including an annual Progress Report, and a Final Progress Report within 30 days of the award end date.
- Provide updates in all Progress Reports on funding status from external and/or internal sources.
- Submit progress reports for up to 3 years following the award end date that will include information about grants submitted, publications, employment, and new research funding resulting from this award.
- Present the results of their research when asked.
- Acknowledge the research support of the Stanford Maternal and Child Health Research Institute in all publications, abstracts, presentations, press releases, and inventions resulting from this award as follows:

“The project described in this publication was supported by the Stanford Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) and Celiac Disease Research Awards Program.”

Award recipients who have not acknowledged the Stanford Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) and Celiac Disease Research Awards Program are not eligible for future awards sponsored by the MCHRI.

TERM OF AWARD

All awardees are limited to a single award of up to 2 years. Should there be a change in the awardee’s role that significantly alters their ability to carry out their responsibilities, the award will be forfeited prior to the completion of the term. However, if there have been unusual occurrences then the awardee may request a deferral or leave of absence from the award; this request will be adjudicated by the Director of the MCHRI. If a deferral is approved, the end date of this award will be adjusted accordingly by MCHRI administration.

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