



## **Stanford Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel (IBD) and Celiac Disease Research Awards Program**

The Stanford Pediatric IBD and Celiac Disease Research Awards Program aims to spark innovative and transdisciplinary research and develop new treatments or knowledge 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 investigators 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.

A multi-PI approach is strongly encouraged for this initiative where at least two of the lead investigators are from different disciplines. Collaborations between basic or data scientists and physician scientists are particularly encouraged. Single-PI applications will be considered if the scientific rationale is compelling. 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 including but not limited to the following areas:

- Basic and translational research of disease mechanisms, therapeutic strategies, or treatment response in the areas of epithelial biology, microbiology, immunology, enteric nervous system.
- Development of novel technologies to advance IBD research, diagnosis or evaluation, disease monitoring, treatments, or disease/response prediction (biomedical or chemical engineering, computer science).
- Clinical research of novel treatment strategies or impactful health services, epidemiologic, outcomes, or health care disparities research.
- Computational or systems biological approaches to advance understanding of disease mechanisms, treatment targets, or treatment response.

### **KEY DATES**

**LETTER OF INTENT DEADLINE: Monday, January 10, 2022 @ 11:59 PM PT**

Submit your letter of intent (LOI) with biosketch and other support page submitted as *one* pdf to the following link: [ONLINE APPLICATION LINK](#), per the [LOI instructions](#). You do not need to submit your LOI via your RPM.

### **GENERAL ELIGIBILITY**

Eligible applicants must be Stanford faculty holding Clinician Educator (CE), University Tenure Line (UTL), Research (NTL-Research), or University Medical Line (UML) positions for the duration of the award. Visiting scholars are not eligible to serve as PI or Co-PI. They may serve as collaborators or sub-investigators. Applications may include co-investigators from other research organizations.



**FULL PROPOSAL (by invitation) DEADLINE: Monday, April 11, 2022 @ 11:59PM PT**

Notification of selected LOIs will be February/March 2022.

Project start date is July 1, 2022. Awards will be announced in June 2022.

## **AWARD**

Total seed funding award is **\$100,000 / year** for up to two years. Applicants may request support for personnel (undergraduate or graduate students, post-doctoral fellows,\* research assistants, associates, or faculty) and research-related expenses.

Funds cannot be used for student tuition or fees, computer equipment, office supplies, ITCC communications, journal subscriptions, membership dues, poster presentations, abstract submissions, or any indirect research costs.

\*If a substantial portion of the budget will be used to support a post-doctoral fellow, please consider the Stanford Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel (IBD) and Celiac Disease Post-doctoral Fellow Awards Program [funding opportunity](#).

## **ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Letters of intent and full proposals will be reviewed by the Stanford Pediatric IBD and Celiac Disease Research Awards Program Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) and external peer reviewers. 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.

### **Questions? Contact:**

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