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Re: SAMUEL AND EMMA WINTERS FOUNDATION

Dear Colleague,

Applications are now being solicited for the Samuel and Emma Winters Foundation. The Foundation annually awards five to six (5-6) small grants (a maximum of \$10K) for **biomedical research** to investigators at several institutions in the greater Pittsburgh area. These awards are for a maximum of one (1) year and are intended for junior faculty members, although senior investigators who develop new research directions may also receive the Foundation's consideration. Research Associates and Fellows are not eligible unless they have been guaranteed a faculty appointment as of July 1, 2017. The period of the grant is July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018.

Please distribute this announcement to appropriate faculty within your department. Proposals that have been received by the deadline will be forwarded to the members of the Winters Foundation Grants Review Committee.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Eligible junior faculty members interested in applying should carefully follow the instructions below. Research Associates and Fellows who are guaranteed faculty appointment by July 1, 2017 may also apply, however a verification letter will be needed. Deadline for submission is Monday, May 15th.

Part 1 of the Application:

1. Cover page information is to be submitted online through the following link: [2017 Winters Foundation cover sheet](#) . The information that will be required includes the following: applicant's name, institution, campus address, mailing address, campus phone, email, academic title, degree, the research project title and the budget.

Part 2 of the Application:

*Please note: Items 1 through 4 below are to be submitted **as a single PDF document to: wtrsfnd@pitt.edu by 5 pm on Monday, May 15th.***

1. **A research proposal** directed towards a general scientifically literate audience. Funds for this award can be used to supplement funds available for an existing research project(s) or to initiate a new research direction. It is to include the following: abstract, specific aims, background and preliminary data (if any), and experimental design, all of which should not exceed the five-page limit. The scope of the proposed work should be consistent with budget and duration of the grant. Ariel – 11 point should be used with 1-inch margins.
2. A list of references should be included at the end of the five-page research proposal.

3. **Detailed budget** for direct costs only. The Foundation does not pay for indirect costs.
4. **NIH-style bio sketch** which includes any current, previous, or pending support with dollar amounts and % effort listed.
5. **FOR RESEARCH ASSOCIATES ONLY**: A letter of support from the Department Chair verifying that the faculty appointment is guaranteed for a July 1, 2017 start is required. This is only required if you are applying as a Research Associate.

PROGRESS REPORT

A progress report upon completion of the funding period is due 3-months following the completion of the grant period. It should be sent via email to wtrsfnd@pitt.edu.

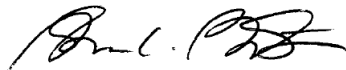
QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS AWARD AND APPLICATION PROCESS

Please contact Dr. Sarah Gaffen or Dr. Alison Barth at wtrsfnd@pitt.edu for additional information regarding applications for this grant.

Sincerely,



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Member, Winters Foundation Grants Review Committee



Alison Barth, PhD
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