

The Sol Goldman Pancreatic Cancer Research Center

GUIDELINES AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATIONS

1. Funding is available for novel developmental research programs (pilot projects).
2. Developmental Research Program (Pilot Projects): This program funds important new pilot projects with promising translational potential that do not have sufficient data for an independently funded NIH grant. Projects of high priority should focus on new research directions, explore innovative ideas, test unconventional, but potentially important, new hypotheses, or ascertain the feasibility of new research approaches. The applicants are expected to provide evidence of a significant research commitment to insure that the proposal can in fact be addressed in an effective and productive way.
3. Eligibility: Applicants must hold an M.D. or Ph.D. degree or both and must have a current academic appointment at Johns Hopkins University.
4. Applications will be judged by a review panel composed of senior faculty members from several Departments at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. High priority will be given to project innovation and potential clinical impact.
5. Funds (\$50,000 per year with the option of re-applying for a second year of funding) may be requested for the salaries of faculty, postdoctoral fellows or technicians, for equipment, and/or for consumable supplies.
6. Awardees will be expected to provide periodic progress reports during the funding period as well as a 500 word summary of their research plans, understandable to lay people, at the time of funding, and an additional 500 word summary of their research accomplishments, also understandable to lay people, at the completion of funding.
7. Publications generated as a result of funding support should acknowledge The Sol Goldman Center for Pancreatic Cancer Research.
8. Grants must be submitted electronically. Please use the Pilot Projects Registration Center, which can be accessed at <http://oncweb1-vm.onc.jhmi.edu/pilotprojects>. You will be prompted to upload this application. In addition, a hard copy of each grant should be submitted to Dr. Ralph Hruban prior to the grant submission deadline.
9. Applications are simple and brief and should include and be ordered as follows:
 - Specific Aims
 - Background, including preliminary studies of applicant
 - Experimental Design (Please refer to previous publications of P.I. whenever possible).
 - The total length of Specific Aims, Background, and Experimental Design and references sections should not exceed TWO pages, using a Font of 12 and 1 inch margins.
 - Additional materials:
 - Progress Report (For renewal applications only) 1 page maximum.
 - Current and pending funding: Carefully indicate reasons for non-overlap if potential overlap exists.

- Biosketch form for all key personnel. (Will be prompted to upload these files when using the online registration system).