2019 Translational Cancer Research Grant Program

CALL FOR LETTERS OF INTENT

PURPOSE OF AWARD:
The V Foundation seeks to support translational research projects within the scope of adult cancer research. Translational projects should move a novel strategy from the laboratory into a human clinical trial or use specimens from a clinical trial to develop biomarkers or mechanisms. The research should apply in some direct way to human beings within the time frame of less than 3 years. If biomarker research is undertaken, a validation set or independent clinical trial is essential. A plan for biomarker validation, if applicable, must be included in any proposal. The endpoint of the project should be the planning or initiation of a new clinical trial.

The Translational Research Award is a $600,000 grant paid in three annual installments of $200,000. Indirect costs up to 10% are permitted (i.e., over the grant term, a maximum of $60,000 can be utilized for indirect costs leaving $540,000 for direct costs).

SPECIAL FOCUS AREA: ANY area of ADULT cancer research.
This call is specifically for adult cancer research. While not required, the V Foundation also encourages research on the biological basis of cancer disparities experienced by patients from minority ethnic or racial populations in areas related to causes, aggressiveness, treatment or relapse. Cancers in which ethnic and racial disparities have previously been demonstrated include: lung and bronchus, colon and rectum, breast, prostate, uterine, cervix, stomach, and liver. In the disparities area, at least one of the highest ranked applications will be designated as the recipient of a Stuart Scott Memorial Cancer Research Fund Translational Research Award.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY:
• Scientists who hold a tenure-track faculty position at their cancer research institution. Non-promotable, adjunct, affiliated, temporary, part-time or acting faculty positions are not eligible for Principal Investigator nomination to lead the Translational Research Team.
• Applicants must be either US Citizens or have a legal permit to work in the USA (either temporary or permanent).

LETTER OF INTENT:
Letters of Intent (not to exceed 2 pages) are due March 29, 2019 via email to winshipgrants@emory.edu. Letters of Intent should also include the PI’s NIH Biosketch, a proposed title for the research project, and a brief 1-2 page abstract of the proposed research project. The selected investigators will be notified and invited to submit a full application by Winship.

IMPORTANT DATES:
Letter of Intent Due Date: 5:00 PM EST on Friday, March 29, 2019.
Announcement of Nominee Selection: Friday, April 12, 2019.
Translational Application Due Date: 5:00 PM EST on Thursday, May 30, 2019.