

## **V Foundation Pediatric Cancer Research Grant**

### **Translational or V Scholar**

### **CALL FOR LETTERS OF INTENT**

#### **PURPOSE OF AWARD:**

This Request for Applications (RFA) is specifically for **pediatric** cancer research through the Translational or V Scholar grant mechanism.

#### **Pediatric Translational**

Applicants may propose pediatric cancer research that moves a novel strategy from the laboratory into a human clinical trial or uses 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 from the end of the grant. 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.

#### **Pediatric V Scholar**

This award supports young tenure-track faculty early in their cancer research career by funding projects that are **either laboratory-based fundamental research or translational research.**

#### **SPECIAL FOCUS AREA:**

This RFA is specifically for **pediatric** cancer research that falls into Preclinical/Translational or V Scholar research as described above. This year, we have special interest and funding for **therapeutic resistance** and welcome research projects in this area. Please note that research areas **not** included in this scope are epidemiology, behavioral science, and health services research.

#### **GRANT SPECIFICS:**

##### **Pediatric Translational**

The grant amount is \$800,000, paid in four annual installments of \$200,000. A total of 10% indirect costs (not to exceed \$80,000 *within* the award) are allowed.

##### **Pediatric V Scholar**

The total amount of the grant is \$600,000, paid in three annual installments of \$200,000. Only direct costs of the research are supported by this award.

#### **WHO MAY APPLY?**

- Each invited institution may submit **one nominee** to apply for this **pediatric** call.
- The **SOLE** nominee may apply in **either** the Translational **or** V Scholar program type.

### **INSTITUTION ELIGIBILITY:**

Only research institutions that received this invitation may submit a nominee for consideration. Other affiliates of the institution that did not receive the email are not eligible to nominate an applicant. Please do not distribute outside of your institution.

### **APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY:**

#### **Pediatric Translational**

Nominee must be the lead Principal Investigator (PI) on the Translational research team and must meet all of the following criteria by the nomination due date:

- Nominated by their Cancer Center Director or similar high ranking research official.
- Employed at a non-profit research institution (e.g., 501c3, Section 170).
- Either a US Citizen or a permanent legal resident in the US.
- Hold a tenure-track or tenured 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.

#### **Pediatric V Scholar**

**Inclusion:** Nominee must be all of the following criteria by this nomination due date:

- Nominated by their Cancer Center Director or similar high ranking research official.
- Employed at a non-profit research institution (e.g., 501c3, Section 170).
- Either a US Citizen or a permanent legal resident in the US.
- Possess at least 2 years post-doctoral (MD or PhD) fellowship training. For MDs, a minimum of one year is acceptable if only one year is required for their specialty.
- Clinical scientists are eligible if the research institution demonstrates that it will fully support the research applicant (e.g., dedicated lab space, committed research time, start-up funds).
- V Scholar applicants must have been appointed to their first full-time tenure track Assistant Professor position no more than 5 years prior to this nomination due date, and not yet promoted to Associate Professor (for e.g., must be eligible to apply for PI status on an R01 at your institution).

**Exclusion:** By the Nomination Due Date, nominee must:

- NOT be a previous or current V Foundation V Scholar awardee.
- NOT have accepted or received notification of an R01 award by this nomination due date.
- NOT have accepted or received award notification of any peer-reviewed, non-mentored **single grant** that totals or exceeds \$750K in total direct funding at ANY point in their professional career. This calculation should exclude indirect costs.
- NOT have accepted or received award notification of any peer-reviewed, non-mentored funding that exceeds \$1M in **aggregated** (total) direct funding at ANY point in their professional career. This calculation should exclude indirect costs.

*Note: The V Scholar award is intended to support research to leverage these larger awards; so, the nominee should not have already received such awards.*

**INTERNAL COMPETITION GUIDELINES:** Letters of Intent (not to exceed 2 pages) with cover page (see below) are due **Wednesday, May 10, 2023** via email to [winshipgrants@emory.edu](mailto:winshipgrants@emory.edu). Letters of Intent should also include the PI's NIH Biosketch, a proposed title for the research project, a brief 1-2 page abstract of the proposed research project, and Financial Worksheet (**V Scholar** only) showing all grant awards the applicant has received at any point in their independent professional career. The selected investigator will be notified and invited to submit a full application by Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University. Please direct any questions you have regarding this funding opportunity to [winshipgrants@emory.edu](mailto:winshipgrants@emory.edu).

## **2023 Pediatric Translational or V Scholar Cancer Research Grant**

### **CYCLE COMPONENT**

Date of RFP Announcement:

Winship Letter of Intent Due Date:

Winship Announcement of Nominee Selection:

Nomination with Letter of Recommendation (to V Foundation):

V Foundation Application Due Date:

### **DATE**

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Monday, May 15, 2023

Wednesday, May 17, 2023 by 5:00 pm ET

Tuesday, June 27, 2023 by 5:00 pm ET

# Letter of Intent Cover Page

## 2023 Pediatric Translational Cancer Research Grant

**Nominated APPLICANT Contact Information:**

**Complete below ↓**

First and last name (including degrees):	
Name of Cancer Institute:	
Professional Title:	
E-mail address:	
Phone number:	

**Please confirm ALL eligibility items outlined in the RFA are true by the nomination due date. (Check boxes below):**

☐ The nominee holds a tenure-track or tenured 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.

☐ Must be either a US Citizen or have a legal permit (temporary or permanent) to work in the US.

**Project Title and Key words:** *(Please enter into boxes below)*

<b>Project Title:</b>
<b>Key words (Include at least 6 important key words related to the specific type of scientific expertise needed to select reviewers for your application. Ex: breast cancer, immunology, imaging techniques, epigenetics, microbiome, etc.):</b>

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- ☐ The nominee has at least 2 years post-doctoral (MD or PhD) fellowship training. For MDs, a minimum of one year is acceptable if only one year is required for their specialty.
- ☐ The nominee was appointed to their first full-time tenure track Assistant Professor position no more than 5 years prior to this nomination due date and has not yet been promoted to Associate Professor.

Please provide appointment start date here: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Financial Worksheet:

- ☐ Completed Financial Worksheet is attached. *A full CV will be required at the application stage.*

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# Financial Worksheet

## 2023 Pediatric V Scholar Cancer Research Grant

**Instructions:**

Please complete this worksheet with all grants the applicant has received at any point in their independent professional career.

## Applicant Information

Applicant Name:	
Applicant Email:	

***Please complete the table below by entering the information for any non-mentored, peer-reviewed grants the nominee has received during their independent professional career.***

## Grant Awards

Award Type & Project Title Ex: K08 Project Title	Total Direct Award Amount
Aggregated Total:	