

GABRIELLE'S ANGEL FOUNDATION FOR CANCER RESEARCH



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BACKGROUND:

For nearly three decades, Gabrielle's Angel Foundation has provided significant financial support to some incredibly promising physician scientists who are applying novel and state-of-the-art techniques to address fundamental problems in the genesis and treatment of **blood related cancers**. Since 1996, the Foundation has committed nearly \$45 million in grants to over 330 junior faculty members at the nation's leading institutions. These grants continue to be a sign of excellence and represent support for many of the most exciting new scientific ideas in blood cancer research.

PURPOSE OF AWARD:

Gabrielle's Angel Foundation remains committed to funding innovative, translational proposals and to supporting promising independent **early-career investigators**, rather than well-established, senior scientists. Projects will be funded for a three-year period at \$75,000 per year (contingent on the submission of acceptable annual progress reports.) As of 2019, the Foundation will also accept applications from both Assistant and Associate Professors for integrative applications only.

WHO MAY APPLY?

Each invited institution may select up to two junior faculty members to apply: one who is conducting mainstream or conventional research and one who is conducting complementary or integrative research

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY:

- Have an MD or PhD
- Hold a junior faculty position at a 501(c)(3) teaching research institution
- Hold the designation of Assistant Professor (Associate Professors may apply for *Integrative* projects only)
- Have institutional support in form of tenure track **OR** be an independent junior faculty member
- Have held their current position no longer than five years (for conventional projects only)
- Clearly state that they have both independent research projects and independent resources
- Have preliminary results and/or publications from their independent laboratory

INTEGRATIVE INFORMATON:

- The Foundation seeks to support Integrative research projects that explore evidence-based complementary interventions, optimize the manner in which mainstream care is delivered and improve the lives of those living with cancer, specifically the hematologic malignancies.
 - Such Integrative (complementary) therapies may include:

- Acupuncture
- Integrative Mind-body interventions
- Manipulative and body-based therapies
- Meditation
- Music therapy
- Nutrition
- Physical fitness
- Use of biologically-based agents (but not in "conventional" ways)
- Yoga
- The Foundation seeks to support clinical trials and/or pre-clinical research which address reducing patients' physical and emotional distress during or after cancer therapy.
 - Examples include:
 - Neurophysiologic, neuroendocrine, and biochemical pathways triggered by massage therapy, including animal studies or instrument-based approaches such as imaging techniques
 - Mechanistic studies of herbs, nutritional supplements, or natural products to enhance cognitive function or treat depression or anxiety
 - Herb-drug interactions
 - Basic biological mechanisms and processes that underlie acupuncture, meditation or yoga including studies in man or animal models or those employing imaging
- Research must be compelling with firmly grounded scientific rationale and high-quality relevant methodology.
- Proposals must reflect a solid grasp of the field and employ pragmatic research methodology and design.
- Proposals will be evaluated for creativity, originality, and scientific rigor.
- Proposals based on promising preliminary data will be favored.
- Applicant's prior experience and competencies will be assessed for integrative applications only, Associate Professors as well as Assistant Professors are invited to apply.

FUNDING:

- Total award shall not exceed \$225,000 total (\$75,000 per year for three years.)
- Overhead costs cannot exceed 10% of the total grant award (\$22,500 total or \$7,500 per year). This amount is to be included in the \$75,000 per year award.

INTERNAL COMPETITION GUIDELINES:

Letters of Intent with cover page (see template below) are due **Monday, July 7, 2025 at 11:59 pm** via email as a single PDF document to <u>winshipgrants@emory.edu</u>. Letters of Intent should include a proposed title for the research project, a brief 1-2 page abstract of the proposed research project, and the PI's NIH Biosketch emailed as a single PDF document. Please indicate if you are applying to the integrative or conventional research category. The selected investigator will be notified and invited to submit a full application by Winship. Please direct any questions you have regarding this funding opportunity to <u>winshipgrants@emory.edu</u>.

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CYCLE COMPONENT:	DATE:
Date of RFA Announcement:	Friday, June 13, 2025
Winship Letter of Intent Due Date:	Monday, July 7, 2025
Winship Announcement of Nominee Selection:	By Friday, July 11, 2025
Gabrielle's Angel Foundation Application Due Date:	Friday, August 8, 2025

Letter of Intent Cover Page (Gabrielle's Angel Foundation for Cancer Research)

APPLICANT Information:	Complete below $oldsymbol{\downarrow}$
First and last name (including degrees):	
Professional Title (i.e. Assistant Professor):	
Department:	
E-mail address:	
Appointment Start Date:	
Type of application (Conventional or Integrative):	

Please confirm ALL the following eligibility items are true by the nomination due date. *(Please check the boxes below):*

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