

University of Hawai'i Cancer Center Seed Grants – Fall 2023

The UH Cancer Center is seeking to fund highly innovative discovery and translational research that supports the mission of the Cancer Center. These grants are funded by the Cancer Center Support Grant (P30). Up to two one-year seed grants will be awarded in this cycle, with budgets of up to \$50,000 each. The criteria that will be evaluated for funding are the following:

1. Quality of the science in the proposal
2. Innovation and significance of the question being studied
3. Potential that the project will lead to success in future applications for extramural funding and peer-reviewed publications with scientific impact
4. Applications are particularly encouraged from early-stage investigators.

Eligibility

- PI must be a Cancer Center Full or Associate Member (restriction because funding is from CCSG and outcomes must be reported for cancer center members in the CCSG renewal).
- Multiple PIs are allowed with justification.
- Must be a new project not supported by existing extramural funding.
- Cannot have had Cancer Center seed funding in the past two years.
- If previously funded, must have provided a one-page progress report. Failure to provide a progress report will result in each PI being ineligible for future seed grant support.
- A one-page progress report is required at the end of the project period.

Seed Grant Specifics

- Please send us a courtesy email with your draft title by June 26 to Kornelia.
- Applications are due by 5:00pm on **July 5, 2023**.
- Proposals may be reviewed by internal, external or the Seed Grant Committee reviewers.
- Notification of projects selected for funding will be made in late October 2022.
- PIs from each funded project will present their results at the 2023 Cancer Center retreat.
- **Funding will start August 1, 2023. All funds must be utilized by June 30, 2024.** THERE WILL BE NO CARRY ALLOWED OVER AFTER THIS DATE. Unused funds will be LOST. Final funds released after submission of final report.
- Unexpended funds or carry-over extensions will require approval from the Director.
- Allowed expenditures: research personnel salary, supplies, research-related expenditures, travel for presentation of this research at scientific meetings (limit 1 trip).
- Funds may not be utilized for PI salary support.
- Center Members may serve as PI/Multi-PI on only one application per cycle.
- The following are highly encouraged: focus on catchment needs, inter-programmatic collaborations and use of Cancer Center shared resources.

Application Instructions

- Research Plan (3 pages maximum)
 - Specific Aims (including hypothesis)
 - Background/Significance
 - Relevance to our catchment area (Hawai'i and USAPI)
 - Description of relevance to catchment area and inter-programmatic component(s)
 - Research Strategy
 - Future Plans including strategy for NIH/NCI funding (include reviewer comments and planned responses, if applicable)
- Budget (1 page) (Each application can submit a budget up to \$50,000)
- Literature Cited
- Other Support
- Please utilize Arial 11 Font, with margins no less than 0.5 in
- Please do not submit supplemental information or appendices
- Submit as a single PDF to Kornelia Szauter kszauter@cc.hawaii.edu