

Breast Cancer Research Program Notice of Availability of Funds for Pilot Projects

Funding priorities:

- Innovative projects that have a potential for developing into multi-investigator translational breast cancer research [Translational research, as defined by the NCI, uses knowledge of human biology to develop and test the feasibility of cancer-relevant interventions in humans and/or determines the biological basis for observations made in individuals with cancer or in populations at risk for cancer].

Award details:

- The award period will be one year.
- Funds may be carried forward based on review of a written request, progress report, and justification.
- Up to \$40,000 total direct costs per year
- Indirect costs are not allowable (waiver of indirect costs by institution will be required)
- IRB approval required prior to release of funds

Proposal requirements:

- Those eligible to apply include all investigators at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, University of Washington, and others with an affiliation to the FHCRC/UW Consortium Breast Cancer Research Program.

The following is to be submitted by email as a PDF document:

- Cover letter including where the research will be performed and resources available for project completion (if not requested in the budget)
- Abstract page including a clear statement of potential impact on breast cancer
- Short 4-page research proposal in 12 pt. font following NIH guidelines (Specific Aims, Background and Significance, Preliminary Studies, Research Design and Methods, Literature Cited)
- Budget on NIH PHS 398 forms (Rev. 11/07) and budget justification
- NIH Biosketch for applicant (no more than 4 pages)
- In the case of junior scientists, a letter of support is also required from the individual in whose lab the work will take place.

Requirements if Funded:

- A written progress report must be submitted at six months detailing goals and initial progress; results are not expected by that time.
- The final progress report will address whether the original aims of the pilot project have been met and offer the likelihood of project expansion into productive breast cancer translational research.
- The final report must be submitted within 90 days after the conclusion of the project or it will be considered delinquent.
- Principal investigators will present their results at the BCRP's Breast Cancer Seminar Series.
- Publications resulting from the grant should reference the financial support from Safeway and the Fred Hutchinson/University of Washington Cancer Consortium.

Applications will be evaluated and prioritized by a committee composed of scientific leaders in clinical and basic research, community clinicians and breast cancer advocates.

Completed applications are due via email by July 2, 2009 at 5:00pm PDT to Suzanne Lentz (srlentz@fhcrc.org).

Funding decisions will be made by July 30, 2009.