



Solicitation for Collaborative, Inter-Institutional, Interdisciplinary HIV/AIDS-Related Catalytic Project Grants

The Center for AIDS Research at Case Western Reserve University/University Hospitals and the University of Pittsburgh are inviting applications for a unique, inter-institutional catalytic grant opportunity, encompassing all disciplines of HIV/AIDS research, but with particular interest in:

1. HIV persistence and Cure strategies
2. HIV-related cancers, co-infections, and co-morbidities
3. Novel approaches to prevent HIV infection
4. Substance abuse in HIV-infected populations

Application Criteria:

- The application must be a collaborative initiative between investigators at Case Western University **AND** the University of Pittsburgh. The expectation is that this award will lead to significant future funding.
- Junior investigators (Instructors, Assistant Professors) should have a leadership role in the team, although we fully expect seasoned investigators to play a major role.

Budget and Project Period:

- One to two awards of **\$100,000** (total costs; no indirect cost recovery) will be funded for one year. We expect that approximately 50% of the funds will be awarded to investigators at each institution.

Key Dates:

Application Due Date: **January 15, 2018**

Peer Review: **January/February, 2018**

Notification of Award Date: **February 25, 2018**

Anticipated Start Date: **March 1, 2018**

Required Application Components and Application Format:

- Face Page (NIH PHS 398)
- Budget and Budget Justification (Funds are to be used for research supplies and may provide faculty and/or staff salary support)
- NIH biosketches for key personnel
- Proposal Narrative (sections A – D, 5 page total)
 - A. Specific Aim(s)
 - B. Background
 - C. Research Design and Methods
 - D. Timeline and Specific Milestone(s)
 - E. Plans for future funding (1/2 page)
 - F. References Cited (not included in page limit)

Submission:

- All proposals must be submitted electronically via email, **as a single PDF file**, to Alan Levine (alan.levine@case.edu).

Questions:

- Please contact Dr. Alan Levine (alan.levine@case.edu) at Case Western Reserve University or Dr. Nic Sluis-Cremer (nps2@pitt.edu) at the University of Pittsburgh with any questions.

For more information about HIV/AIDs research at Case Western Reserve University/University Hospital and the University of Pittsburgh please visit:

<http://casemed.case.edu/cfar/> and <http://www.dom.pitt.edu/id/Centers%20and%20Institutes/HIVResearch.html>