The Ellison Medical Foundation has invited the University of Pittsburgh to submit two nominations for the New Scholar Award in Aging. This Scholar Award is for up to $100,000 per year (total costs, of which only 8% may be used for overhead) for a four year period. The objective of the program is to support new investigators (see below) focused on the basic biological sciences “relevant to understanding lifespan development processes and age-related diseases and disabilities … Areas of interest include, but are not limited to: Structural biology; Molecular genetics; Studies with model systems ranging from lower eukaryotes to humans; Inquiries testing the relevance of simpler models to human aging; Genetic epidemiology of aging; Candidate longevity genes; Aging in the immune system; Host defense molecules in aging systems; Mechanisms of free radical induced cell aging; Mechanisms of aging in various differentiated cell populations; Gene/environment and gene/gene interactions; Integrative physiology; New approaches to age-modulated disease mechanisms.”

Eligibility: Candidates must have completed their postdoctoral experiences no more than three years ago. Specifically, nominees must hold full-time appointments (tenure track or non-tenure track) at the University of Pittsburgh by March 1, 2013, and their first appointments after completion of postdoctoral studies must have been made no earlier than July 15, 2010.

Additional information about this program can be found at http://www.ellisonfoundation.org/how-to-apply-new-scholar.

Individuals interested in being considered for this program should send the following information to Ms. Selena Crawford, sac32@pitt.edu, by 4:30 pm on Monday, December 3: the applicant’s CV, a one page summary of the proposed project, and a letter of nomination. Selected individuals will be notified by December 12. Full applications are due at the Foundation by February 28, 2013.

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