

UCSF May Submit 2 Applications: one Translational and one All-Star Translational
Internal Deadline: NOON, Monday, March 3, 2025

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WHAT: V Foundation Translational (Adult) Cancer Research Grant
(<https://rdo.ucsf.edu/sites/rdo.ucsf.edu/files/2025%20Translational%20RFA.pdf>)

V Foundation All-Star Translational (Adult) Cancer Research Grant
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PURPOSE:

- Translational:
 - Restricted to adult cancer research in the preclinical or translational space with a focus on bench-to-bedside strategies.
 - Research on ANY adult cancer type can be funded.
 - Applicants may propose cancer research that moves a novel strategy from the laboratory into a human clinical trial or uses specimens from a clinical trial to test hypotheses, develop biomarkers, or mechanisms.
 - The research must apply in a direct way to human beings within 3 years from the end of the grant.
 - Research areas not included in this scope are epidemiology, behavioral science, and health services research.
- All-Star Translational:
 - This All-Star Translational grant is a reinvestment in the most exceptional prior V Foundation grantees and their most innovative ideas. This grant provides funding for high-risk, high-reward, transformative projects that will have a significant impact on our understanding and/or treatment of cancer.
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ELIGIBILITY:

- Translational:
 - Hold a full-time faculty appointment at the Assistant Professor or Assistant Professor-equivalent level or above. Non-promotable, adjunct, affiliated, temporary, part-time or acting faculty positions are not eligible for Principal Investigator nomination.
- All-Star Translational:

- Hold a full-time faculty appointment at the Assistant Professor or Assistant Professor-equivalent level or above. Non-promotable, adjunct, affiliated, temporary, part-time or acting faculty positions are not eligible for Principal Investigator nomination.
- Must have previously been awarded a V Foundation research grant as the lead PI and must meet at least ONE of the following criteria by the nomination deadline:
 - 1. Have a completed V Foundation research grant or
 - 2. Be in the final year of an active V Foundation grant (received final payment and on track to finish by grant end date).
- Must have been the lead PI on the V Foundation research grant from start to finish.
- Must have all financial and progress reports up to date.
- Must not have a current V Foundation All-Star grant.
- Must not have only received V Foundation non-research/Mission grant(s).

BUDGET AND PROJECT PERIOD:

- Translational:
 - Award Budget: A four-year, \$800,000 grant, paid in \$200,000 annual installments
 - Indirect costs up to 10% are permitted
- All-Star:
 - Award Budget: A five-year, \$1,000,000 grant, paid in \$200,000 annual installments
 - Indirect costs up to 10% are permitted

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS UCSF MAY SUBMIT: 2, one Translational and one All-Star Translational

DUE DATES:

- **Internal:** NOON, Monday, March 3, 2025
- PIs submit directly to the LSP; RMS does not get involved unless and until you are nominated.
- Sponsor Nomination Due: Tuesday, March 18, 2025
- Sponsor Application Due: Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Submit the following in ONE PDF file by NOON, March 3, to: limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu

1. Limited Submission Pre-proposal Cover Sheet with signatures (form attached to email)
2. Project Summary (1-pg. max, excluding references)
3. NIH Bio-sketch (5-pg. max., including publications)
(<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch-blankformat.docx>)

To qualify for UCSF Limited Submission Program opportunities, applicants must have a paid UCSF appointment either at the time of application or anticipated by the time of award.

The LSP is a selection process, not an award process. As the LSP is under significant time constraints, all reviewer feedback is optional. We encourage you to seek other avenues for proposal feedback.

For information on all current LSOs, please visit: <http://rdo.ucsf.edu/limited-submission-program-lsp>

Sent by Amanda Yu on behalf of the Research Development Office (RDO), Limited Submission Program (LSP).