UCSF May Submit 3 Applications – one per scientific area: Data Science, Cancer Control Science, Other Sciences

Internal Deadline: **11:59 PM, Thursday, January 2nd, 2020**

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**WHAT:** NIH NCI Pathway to Independence Award for Outstanding Early Stage Postdoctoral Researchers (K99/R00)

**REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS NUMBER:**

**PURPOSE:**
- This program is designed for postdoctoral fellows with research and/or clinical doctoral degrees who do not require an extended period of mentored research training beyond their doctoral degrees
- The objective of this award is to facilitate a timely transition of these fellows from their mentored, postdoctoral research positions to independent, tenure-track or equivalent faculty positions.
- The program will provide independent NCI research support during this transition to help awardees to launch competitive, independent research careers
- Research must be in one of three scientific areas:
  - (A) Data Science: For the purposes of this K99/R00 award, data science is defined as an interdisciplinary field of inquiry in which quantitative and analytical approaches, processes, and systems are both developed and used to extract knowledge and insights from increasingly large and/or complex sets of data. This includes cancer-focused data integration and visualization, systems biology, artificial intelligence, machine learning, informatics, genomics, precision oncology, and developing analytics for epidemiological or biostatistical studies.
  - (B) Cancer Control Science: For the purposes of this K99/R00 award, cancer control science is defined as basic and applied research in the behavioral, social, and population sciences to create or enhance interventions that, independently or in combination with biomedical approaches, reduce cancer risk, incidence, morbidity, and mortality, and improve quality of life. This includes research in epidemiology, behavioral sciences, health services, surveillance, cancer survivorship, and healthcare policy.
  - (C) Other Sciences: For the purposes of this K99/R00 award, "Other Sciences" includes all scientific fields supported by the NCI that are not included in (A) or (B). Applicants proposing research in (C) "Other Sciences" may apply only if it is reasonable to expect them to transition to independence with an abbreviated period of mentored research training beyond their original doctoral degrees.
ELIGIBILITY:
- Candidates for this RFA are strongly encouraged to obtain confirmation of their eligibility from NCI before seeking institutional nomination. It is incumbent upon the candidate to provide evidence that all eligibility criteria have been met.
- K99/R00 applicants must have no more than 2 years of postdoctoral research experience as of the application due date.
- Individuals must be in mentored, postdoctoral training positions to be eligible to apply to the K99/R00 program.
- Full eligibility information can be found in the RFA.

BUDGET AND PROJECT PERIOD:
- Award Budget:
  - K99 phase: NCI will contribute up to $100,000 per year toward the salary of the career award recipient.
  - R00 phase: The total cost for the independent phase (R00) may not exceed $249,000 per year. This amount includes salary, fringe benefits, research costs, and applicable indirect costs. Indirect costs will be reimbursed at the extramural sponsoring institution’s indirect cost rate.
  - NCI will contribute $30,000 per year toward the research development costs of the award recipient, which must be justified and consistent with the stage of development of the candidate and the proportion of time to be spent in research or career development activities.
- Project Period: up to 5 years.

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS UCSF MAY SUBMIT: UCSF may submit a combined total of three applications to RFA-CA-20-014 and/or RFA-CA-20-015. Each application must be in a different scientific area: Data Science, Cancer Control Science or Other Science.

DUE DATES:
- Internal: 11:59 PM, Thursday, January 2nd, 2019
- Please note PIs may submit directly to the LSP; RMS does not get involved unless and until you are nominated.
- Sponsor: February 26th, 2020

Submit the following in ONE PDF file by 11:59 PM, January 2nd, 2020, 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](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 Lisa Howard on behalf of the Research Development Office (RDO), Limited Submission Program (LSP)