

**Program for Breakthrough Biomedical Research (PBBR)
Special Call for Proposals**

Ultra-Rapid Funding for Projects Broadly Relevant to SARS CoV-2/Covid-19

UCSF has secured \$2 million to provide rapid funding for support of innovative basic research broadly relevant to SARS CoV-2 or COVID-19. Awards for this one-time offering are expected to range from \$50,000 to \$200,000.

1-2 page proposal narratives, accompanied by PI biosketch and budget, must be submitted by Wednesday April 8th, with anticipated award of funds on or about April 17th. It is expected that awardees will be granted exceptions by the Office of Research to initiate research during the shelter-in-place order.

Research approaches may be computational, molecular, structural, cellular, tissue or organismal in any biological system, describing or analyzing pathways, mechanisms or outcomes of any viral infection, spread, pathogenicity, cell biology, diagnostics, and therapeutics.

Proposals should be submitted on the attached template. Narrative should state the topic question or problem; the experimental approach, stating relevance of the study to SARS CoV-2/Covid-19 and acknowledging risks or potential problems and alternatives; the innovative aspects of the work; and the impact should the proposal's aims succeed. No preliminary data are required.

Qualification for PBBR funding: at least one PI must be a member of BMS, PIBS or iPQB graduate training programs

Program for Breakthrough Biomedical Research: Studies Related to SARS CoV-2 / Covid-19

Project Title:

Funds Requested:

Principal Investigator:

Name
Department
Years at UCSF
Email
Mobile phone

Collaborator:

Name
Department
Years at UCSF
Email
Mobile phone

Biosketch(es)

Narrative (1-2 pages):

- Proposal title
- Abstract (Optional, 100 words)
- Project question or objective (one sentence)
- Background/rationale; relevance of study to SARS CoV-2/Covid-19
- Approach (for one or more specific aims, summarize experimental strategies, risks or potential problems, alternate approaches)
- Innovation
- Impact

References

Budget and Justification