**The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Selective Targeting of Pancreatic (SToP) Cancer SPORE Developmental Research Program (DRP) Call for Proposals**

The Developmental Research Program supports innovative projects in pancreatic cancer that have promising translational impact. Projects do not need to have a clinical endpoint, but must have translational relevance for pancreatic cancer. We anticipate that this program will support extremely innovative translational research and will be developed into proposals that could receive extramural funding; however, this is not required. Awardees will be expected to participate in and present at SToP Cancer SPORE meetings, and collaborate with SToP Cancer SPORE members. IRB and IACUC approvals must be in place before the start of the funding period.

SUBMISSION

To be eligible for review, each applicant must submit:

1. Non-binding Letter of Intent- Please submit a non-binding LOI one month before the application due date. Include PI names and the title of the project. Please submit to ­­­­lccc-dev-awards@office.unc.edu.
2. Submit online application
3. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Late applications or additional materials will not be accepted unless there are significant circumstances that made the applicant unable to submit the application on time.
4. If you have questions, please visit <https://unclineberger.org/developmental-funding-opportunities> or email lccc-dev-awards@office.unc.edu.

TERMS OF AWARD

-Funding: up to $50,000 for 1 year

-Funds must be expended during the grant period. No cost extensions are NOT allowed.

-Participation and presentation at SToP Cancer SPORE meetings is required

-A Progress Report is required no later than 30 days from the end of the award date.

ELIGIBILITY

All UNC Chapel Hill tenure and non-tenure track faculty members are eligible to apply.

REVIEW CRITERIA

The review is a two-part review. Peer reviewers will score the project on a typical NIH scale from 1-9 based on significance, innovation, the approach used and, to a lesser degree, the expertise of the investigator. The second criteria will evaluate if the project is immediately ready for support and the impact of the research on patient outcomes.

APPLICATION FORMAT

Formatting: Arial 11 font, single spaced, 0.5 inch margins

Applications must include the following:

-Title Page: include the title of the proposal, the PI’s name, faculty rank, and contact information.

-Scientific abstract: include an abstract that will be used by the review committee to evaluate your application (250 word maximum).

-Lay Abstract: Provide an abstract summarizing your research project in plain language. Avoid the use of jargon (250 word maximum).

-Budget: Use PHS 398 Form Page 4 (<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/fp4.docx>)

-Budget Justification: Specify how you will use the money you are requesting (2 page maximum).

-Specific Aims: 1 page

-Research Plan: 5 page maximum

-Biosketches: Use the NIH template. Include biosketches for key members of the research team.

Submit your application online at <https://unclineberger.org/developmental-funding-opportunities>