

## Cytopathology Research Seed Grant

**Grantor:** American Society of Cytopathology Foundation

**Closes:** 8/15/2010

**Maximum:** \$30,000.00

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The ASC Foundation will grant \$30,000 to a qualified young cytopathology professional (ASC Member) with no more than five years since completion of training, to conduct important research in cytopathology and attend the ASC Annual Scientific Meeting. The Grant will be presented every two years. Eligibility requires demonstration of commitment to ongoing research in cytopathology.

The goal of this grant is to stimulate innovative translational research using material obtained from routine cytology specimens with the aim of improving the quality of work done by cytologists, thereby enhancing patient care. This includes (but is not limited to) application of new technologies to cytopathology.

1. The applicant must demonstrate a commitment to ongoing research in cytopathology and have no more than five-year experience in cytopathology since completion of training.
2. A curriculum vitae that includes educational training indicating the time, place and degrees awarded, relevant awards and honors, and a complete bibliography (separately listing publications in peer reviewed journals, abstracts and other articles with authors listed in the original order of publication). (Limit five pages)
3. A proposed research plan (no more than three single-spaced pages with one-inch margins and no less than 11-point font). This document should be a summary of the proposed research project as well as any simultaneous training that will be obtained. The summary should include: 1) specific aims or hypotheses to be tested, 2) a brief introductory review giving the rationale for the research, 3) a section describing how the aims or hypotheses will be achieved with emphasis on experimental design over the details of the specific methods, and 4) a summary paragraph describing the goals of the work and how it could have impact on the practice of cytopathology in the future. Preliminary results supporting the research plan may be included or referenced, but are not absolutely required. Innovative approaches and new concepts that are framed into concise protocols will be favored. (Limit three pages)
4. A statement of career goals (Limit one page) describing the applicant's short- and long-term career goals and how this award will enhance these career plans.
5. Mentor's letter of recommendation from an individual or mentor who is familiar with the applicant's potential as an investigator. This letter should include information assuring that the mentor/sponsor has sufficient resources to facilitate the awardee and can support expenses beyond the \$30,000 if the project incurs greater expenses. This letter should also include a statement that the Mentor or Applicant has an Internal Review Board approval for HIPAA compliant study of human samples, if applicable.

\* Application material should be submitted in the order listed in this section. Pages should be numbered and submitted in page order. Applications must be typed using font no smaller than 11-point.

\* The awardee will be selected on the basis of his/her qualifications and interest in research, reference from their mentors,

and the selection committee's evaluation of the potential professional benefit of the award to the candidates.

\* The awardee will receive \$30,000 to be used for research supplies and material expenses and travel expenses to the Annual Scientific Meeting following the year of the grant. Thus, no budget is required and no "overhead" or indirect costs will be provided to sponsoring institutions. The grant will be made to the Grants Office of the Institution at which the awardee is employed.

## GRANT APPLICATION

\*Deadline for submission of applications is August 15, 2010. Applicants will be notified of the Foundation Board's decision in October 2010.

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