

## American Cancer Society International Fellowships for Beginning Investigators

**Grantor:** American Cancer Society/International Union Against Cancer

**Closes:** 12/1/2012

**Maximum:** \$45,000.00

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Advance your career by visiting another institute: American Cancer Society international fellowships for beginning investigators (ACSBI).

The ACSBI fellowship emphasizes the transfer of knowledge from the host institute to others at the home institute. It offers the fellow the opportunity to be mentored by experts in the chosen field, receive hands on experience in clinical, behavioural or basic research, intellectual stimulation, research guidance, narrative transfer and many other opportunities to evolve scientifically and academically.

The goals include not only developing future leaders in cancer research in low/middle income countries, but also facilitating a global effort in cancer prevention and control. This will be done by developing the necessary intellectual infrastructure in home countries (since ACSBI fellows must return to their home institute), encouraging collaborative interactions to facilitate interdisciplinary basic and applied cancer research, and establishing a network of researchers and translational scientists for rapid dissemination of new knowledge and technology in developing and sharing of best practices.

Since its inception, the ACSBI fellowships have contributed to the development of the professional capacity of over 90 Fellows from over 35 countries.

Target candidates

Strong preference will be given to research investigators, clinician scientist, epidemiologists, public health professionals from low-, lower-middle- and upper-middle-income countries, as defined by the World Bank.

Duration: 12 months

Extension Up to 12 months with funding secured by the fellow from other sources and at no cost to the UICC

Available 6-8 per year

Value US \$45,000 each for travel and stipend

Application closing date 1 December

Notification of result April the following year

Objectives

- \* To foster a bi-directional flow of research knowledge, experience, expertise, and innovation between countries
- \* To support the promotion of cancer control in developing countries through epidemiology, cancer control etc
- \* To advance the academic career development of beginning cancer investigators through clinical, behavioural or translational research projects

## Goals

- \* Increased research capacity
- \* Building up of infrastructure capacity at the home institution Cancer control
- \* Reduced burden of cancer in own country
- \* Development of individuals to disseminate and apply learned skills and knowledge upon return to home institute

## Eligibility

- \* Be a beginning investigator or clinician in the early stages of their independent investigator career and must possess a terminal\*, advanced degree with a desire to become an independent investigator
- \* Applicants are to be in the early phases of their career and no longer under research mentoring.
- \* Hold an academic university or hospital position with an explicit commitment to return to the home institute
- \* Conduct the research at not-for-profit institutions Please note that this is not a first post doctoral fellowship

## Research plan

- \* Applied\* or clinical\* or translational\* cancer research projects will receive funding preference, particularly meritorious applications from the target candidate group.
- \* We especially encourage epidemiology applications

Note: This is not a clinical training fellowship

Unsolicited applications will not be accepted from, nor will fellowships be awarded for, the support of research conducted at for-profit institutions nor will any projects concerning human embryonic stem cells or human fetal stem cells and tissue be funded by ACS.

## \*Definitions

Terminal degree: is generally accepted as the highest degree in a field of study. An earned academic (or research) doctorate such as a Doctor of Philosophy is considered the terminal degree in most academic fields of study in some countries. Many professional degrees are also considered terminal degrees because they are the highest professional degree in the field, even though "higher" research degrees exist.

**Applied research:** is directed towards achieving specific objectives such as the development of a new drug, diagnostic test or procedure, therapy, or surgical procedure. It involves the application of existing knowledge, much of which is obtained through basic research, to a specific biomedical problem. It can be conducted with animals, non-animal alternatives such as computer models or tissue cultures, or with humans.

**Clinical research:** builds upon knowledge learned through basic and applied research, and is conducted on human beings, usually in a hospital, clinical or community setting. The knowledge obtained from this research results in establishing treatments and drugs, psychosocial and behavioral interventions, or policy changes that directly improve human health, quality of life or healthcare delivery.

**Translational Research:** is the translation of novel findings obtained from basic research laboratories into testable hypotheses for evaluation in clinical trials in human subjects.

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**Categories:** Applied Research, Basic Science, Behavioral Research , Cancer, Chronic Diseases, Clinical Research, Epidemiological Studies , International Exchange, Oncology, Translational Research

**Audience:** Junior Faculty, Junior Investigator, Junior Researcher, Junior Scientist, Medical School Faculty, New Investigator, New Researcher, Physician Researcher, Young Investigator, Young Scientist