

## Shwachman Diamond Syndrome Foundation Research Grants

**Grantor:** Shwachman Diamond Syndrome Foundation

**Closes:** 3/12/2012

**Maximum:** \$130,000.00

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Shwachman-Diamond Syndrome (SDS) is a multi-system autosomal-recessive disorder characterized by exocrine pancreatic dysfunction, and varying degrees of marrow dysfunction with cytopenias. Many associated clinical problems have also been described, including skeletal anomalies, metaphyseal dysostosis, rib abnormalities, cleft palate, dental abnormalities and others. Shwachman-Diamond Syndrome Foundation (SDSF) is a nonprofit support organization actively helping the victims of this disease. SDSF is accepting grant requests for research relevant to this disease. Any high quality, innovative research proposal deemed relevant to SDS will be considered.

The following are areas of particular interest:

Investigate or evaluate potential novel therapies or potential novel therapeutic strategies- preferred applications

Evaluate predictors of bone marrow abnormalities to determine their correlation with the disease

Determine the causes of bone marrow failure and leukemia

Further delineate the pathogenesis of pancreatic disease

Investigations related to adult patient presentation, management, and care including transition from pediatric-centered to adult care

### Eligibility

Persons applying for these grants must be in a faculty position with authority to hold an independent research grant (not a training position).

### Letter of Intent

The potential applicant should write a one-page letter of intent to the SDSF, indicating the applicant's position and affiliation, describing their planned project, and explaining its relevance to Shwachman-Diamond Syndrome. These letters are reviewed by SDSF's Medical and Scientific Advisory Board (MSAB) grant review process.

### Purpose

This letter will be used to identify applicants who will be asked to provide a full application.

### Dates

The letter is due no later than March 12th. All those who have submitted a letter of intent will receive a reply by April 5th. All Grant Applications must be submitted by May 15th. The final grant decision will be announced by July 31st with a

November 1st start date.

#### Terms of Support

Support may be provided for up to two (2) years in an amount not to exceed \$65,000 per year, including expenses. The second year funding will not be released until a Progress Report has been reviewed and approved by the MSAB. The date for the Progress Report is October 1st. Applicants may submit only one grant application at a time, and may hold only one grant at a time.

If you would like us to send you a grant application, have any questions regarding the grant process or have an interest in the disease, please contact SDSF. Please call toll free 1-888-825-SDSF (7373) or via email at [info@shwachman-diamond.org](mailto:info@shwachman-diamond.org).

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