



UAB CENTER FOR AIDS RESEARCH

Announcing a Request for Proposals to Stimulate Multidisciplinary HIV Research at UAB

In order for The UAB Center for AIDS Research (CFAR) to continue to be a leader in HIV research and AIDS clinical care, it is essential to foster and develop productive scientific collaborations necessary for successful grant applications.

Towards this goal, the CFAR invites any UAB, SRI and Hudson Alpha faculty to apply to the CFAR Call for Proposals to establish Interdisciplinary Research groups (IRGs) formed to investigate innovative issues in HIV/AIDS research. Eligibility is open to all ranks of investigators. This new programmatic initiative will have a two-stage application process.

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STAGE 1: CONCEPT PROPOSALS for Interdisciplinary Research Groups (IRG)

The concept proposals should be a maximum of 2 pages and include the following:

- Describe the research focus of the group and focus of IRG.
- Names of investigators, background of members
 - Teams must consist of at least 3 investigators
 - Multidisciplinary teams (from from multiple Departments and/or Schools within UAB) are strongly encouraged
 - The inclusion of an advisor or collaborating investigator in the field of study not within UAB, is necessary

Proposals will be funded up to a maximum of **\$5000**. Funds will be provided to hold a meeting of the research team of 3 or more investigators with travel funds for an advisor or collaborating investigator from outside UAB. The CFAR administrative core will help coordinate this meeting.

The **goal** of Stage 1 is to identify multidisciplinary collaborators, introduce them to the UAB CFAR and to develop (i.e. brainstorm) a P01/R01 research grant that will be submitted for Stage 2. We anticipate that Stage 1 will be completed by **February 15, 2012**.

STAGE 2: ACTIVATE the IRG

In the second stage, the IRG will construct a R01/P01 based on the results from “brainstorming” in Stage 1. The applicants will submit a short proposal (six pages maximum):

- Include background, specific aims and research plan needed to generate **critical** preliminary data to catalyze external funding.
- Budgets and justifications should also be included. The maximum budgets for the Stage 2 grants are \$40,000.
- The participation of any “external” investigator should be defined either as a CO-PI or with a letter of collaboration.

Deadline for concept sheets is **December 1, 2011** at 5:00 PM. Submit by email (pdf to Dr. Morrow) or hard copy (802 Kaul)

Funding awards will be announced by December 15, 2011 for Stage 1. Proposals due for Stage 2 will be February 15 with award notices by **March 15 2012**.



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