REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2ND CFAR HIV RESEARCH POSTER COMPETITION

PURPOSE: The UAB CFAR invites posters for innovative pilot projects focused on new ideas in HIV/AIDS to be conducted by multidisciplinary teams. The goal of these funding awards is to generate preliminary data that will lead to externally-funded grant applications.

ELIGIBILITY: All investigators, trainees (students, postdocs, and fellows), and staff are eligible if paired with a faculty member. To be considered for an award, one team member must be present on December 6th, 2018 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm at BBRB 170 Hallway to present the idea as a research poster for the judges and to CFAR members in a standard poster session.

TOPIC AREAS: Areas of focus should align with the strategic interests of the UAB CFAR, including: mechanisms of aging, management of comorbidities, further explore immune responses to HIV vaccines, community-based research, and prevention efforts to eliminate HIV in the state of Alabama.

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS: Please apply online at https://bit.ly/2OBGueB. The online form will ask for a study title, names of team members, short description of the proposed project, and what the funding would be used for if you won. The CFAR will confirm your registration after checking eligibility. You may print your poster accordingly. Poster boards will be 40” x 60” each.

FUNDING AWARDS: Research funding awards are for 1 year in length and are not renewable. Funding awards provided may be used to support research-related supplies and services, but not salary. Studies involving human subjects or animals will require institutional approvals. Prize money is awarded by check and is unrestricted. Research awards and prizes will be given for the best 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place poster based on judges scoring. The audience will also vote for a favorite poster for a chance to win the People’s Choice award.

First Place: $4000 research funding + $250 prize
Second Place: $2000 research funding + $125 prize
Third Place: $1500 research funding + $75 prize
People’s Choice: $1000 research funding + $50 prize

REVIEW PROCEDURES: Posters will be reviewed and scored by the UAB CFAR Leadership review committee. Evaluation criteria include the composition of the study team, significance, innovation and the likelihood that the project will lead to future funding. Winners will be announced at 1pm following the World AIDS Day Symposium.

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