The Gregory Fleming James Cystic Fibrosis Research Center is soliciting applications for pilot and feasibility projects to support new research initiatives in cystic fibrosis pathophysiology and intervention. The pilot and feasibility mechanism is designed to provide support for a limited time (two years, up to $75,000/year direct costs for translational research). Projects should test innovative hypotheses that may have significant impact on basic or clinical aspects of the disease and lead to preliminary data for independent grants in the area of cystic fibrosis science.

Investigators who meet one of the three following criteria are eligible to apply:

1. New investigators without current or past NIH research project support as a principal investigator (modest current or past support from other sources is acceptable).
2. Established, funded investigators with no previous work in cystic fibrosis or CF-related areas who wish to lend their expertise to a CF-related problem, primarily with a translational or patient-oriented focus.
3. Established investigators in cystic fibrosis or CF-related areas who wish to test the feasibility of an innovative idea, which constitutes a significant departure from their funded research.

Eligible applicants must have faculty appointment and be independent investigators.

Interested faculty should submit a Letter of Intent to Jamie Elliott, by Friday, September 30th, that includes the following:

1. 1-2 page description of project aims, significance, and method of approach; and
2. NIH-format biographical sketch

These documents should be sent in pdf format to jamieelliott@uabmc.edu.

Letters of Intent Due: September 30th
Notifications to continue Application: October 7th
Applications Due: December 9th
Notification of Awards: February 7th, 2017