



Rick Elkus

The Richard A. Elkus, M.D., Eminent Scholars Program in GI Oncology Research at UAB

Richard A. Elkus, M.D., lost his battle with pancreatic cancer in 2005. In his memory, his family established the Richard A. Elkus, M.D., Eminent Scholars Program in GI Oncology Research at UAB.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Applicants: The Richard A. Elkus, M.D., Eminent Scholars Program in GI Oncology Research pilot grants are open to all UAB faculty (Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor) who lead an **independent** research program.

Purpose: To support highly meritorious scientific research in gastrointestinal cancer from the point of energy source entry to the point of waste product exit. All areas of research including basic mechanisms, translational projects, clinical therapeutic interventions, public health and epidemiological studies, are encouraged. This award is intended to “seed” nascent GI cancer projects that will become competitive for extramural funding with the data generated as result of receiving pilot funds.

Funding: This award is for **\$50,000** for a 12-month period beginning March 1, 2020. Two applications will be funded.

- Application: Please submit a 3-page description of proposed research and the Biosketch or CV of the PI. A list of the Key Personnel, bibliography, budget and letters of support (if any) are also requested and are not included within the 3-page limit. **All application materials must be compiled into a single pdf document.**
- Past recipients may apply and must provide a brief progress report (not included in the 3-page limit).
- Please email the application (as a single pdf document) to Susan Ruppert (sruppert@uab.edu).
- **The deadline for receipt of applications is January 24, 2020.**