

Boston University Medical Campus

LIMITED FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

TO: BUMC Faculty

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DATE: July 19, 2019

SUBJECT: Curing Kids Cancer Research Grants

OBJECTIVES: [Curing Kids Cancer](#) funds innovative research to develop cutting-edge therapies for children with cancer in support of our overarching mission to find cures for childhood cancers in our lifetime. The goal of these grants is to overcome barriers to clinical application of new treatment approaches for childhood cancer. A priority is to fund projects that have already shown great promise, but that have a specific funding need to move forward. The three main focus areas for this RFP are:

- Cancer immunotherapy/Targeted therapy
- High-grade brain tumors
- Therapeutic targeting through genomics/epigenetics

Application of novel technologies in these areas are welcome. Applications to fund correlative studies associated with clinical trials in the focus areas will be considered. Funding for the associated clinical trial must have already been secured and applications must include a description of the developmental pathway for the therapeutic approach.

FUNDING INFORMATION: Two types of one-year grants will be awarded:

- Collaborative: One multi-institutional collaborative grant award of \$300,000
- Individual: Two individual grant awards of \$150,000 each

ELIGIBILITY:

- The NIH salary cap must be employed
- 10% indirect costs from the total award will be allowed (e.g., maximum \$15,000 indirect and \$135,000 direct costs per award)
- Must be a North American institution (no citizenship requirements)
- Limit of a total of 2 applications per institution
- Open to all applicant levels with MD and/or PhD
- A second year of funding may be applied for, but will require full review.

INTERNAL SELECTION PROCESS: Interested investigators should submit the following materials listed below, via [InfoReady Review](#) by Friday, Aug. 2, 2019. If you are a BMC investigator and wish to apply for this opportunity, please contact Jennifer Fleming, Director of Foundation Relations and Government Grants at jennifer.fleming@bmc.org by Friday, July 26, 2019.

- Questions outlined in [InfoReady Review](#) application;
- A brief (two-page) statement by the candidate describing his or her significant scientific work and immediate research plans;
- Up-to-date CV.

A faculty committee drawn from both campuses will review internal proposals and select nominees. Foundation Relations (ofr@bu.edu) will work with the nominees to develop and submit the institutional nomination letter and applicant materials by 9/9/19.

DEADLINES: Internal Deadline: Friday, Aug. 2, 2019 | **Sponsor Deadline:** Monday, Sept. 9, 2019.

In requesting to be considered for this limited submission funding opportunity, you are making a commitment, if selected, to submit your proposal to the sponsor in a timely manner and to Sponsored Programs in accordance with the [Proposal Submission Policy](#).



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