

DAMON RUNYON CANCER RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Damon Runyon Clinical Investigator Award

DEADLINES

Friday, January 18, 2008 - Internal deadline

March 3, 2008 - Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation deadline for full proposals

PROGRAM WEBSITE

Please refer to the Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation website for more information about this program. Formal application instructions for the nominee(s) are outlined in detail at this website.

<http://www.drcrf.org/NETCOMMUNITY/Page.aspx?pid=260&srcid=230>

BACKGROUND

This award supports outstanding young physicians willing to devote their careers to the **development and application of new diagnostic approaches and therapeutic strategies for cancer and cancer prevention through clinical investigation**. The goal is to increase the number of physicians capable of moving seamlessly between the laboratory and the patient's bedside in search of breakthrough treatments. Clinical research includes patient-oriented research, epidemiological and behavioral studies, outcomes research and health services research. *No support for *in vitro* studies that utilize human tissues but do not deal directly with patients.*

In light of its partnership with Siemens Medical Solutions, **in addition to candidates working in translational clinical oncology, the Foundation is interested in candidates whose research relates to or uses imaging technologies and molecular imaging in cancer.**

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be citizens or permanent legal residents of the U.S.
- Candidates must have received an M.D. or M.D./Ph.D. and be board eligible.
- Applicants may apply during the final year of their subspecialty training or within the first four years of their assistant professorship appointment.
- Candidates holding or awarded R01s at the time of application are not eligible.
- Applicants are required to apply in conjunction with a mentor who is established in the field of clinical translational cancer research or cancer prevention and epidemiology, and who can provide the critical guidance needed during the period of the award.
- Applicants must commit a **minimum of 80%** of professional time to the conduct of research.
- Preference will be given to research that adheres to the "Handshake Rule," meaning that the physician will meet each patient in their research studies.

FUNDING

- Awardees receive \$100,000 per year for 3 years for a total of \$300,000, plus a research allowance totaling \$150,000. (Total: \$450,000)
- The Fund will also retire up to \$100,000 of any medical school debt still owed by the awardee.
- Applicants may receive funding from other sources to support research conducted during the remaining 20% of professional time. However, no other private salary and/or named award expressly intended for clinical career development may be held concurrently with this award. Examples include, but are not limited to: American Cancer Society - Mentored Research Scholar Grant in Applied and Clinical Research; ASCO - Career Development Award; Burroughs Wellcome Fund - Clinical Scientist Award in Translational Research - Career Awards for Medical Scientists (CAMS); Doris Duke Charitable Foundation - Clinical Scientist Development Award; Howard Hughes Medical Institute - Physician-Scientist Early Career Award; Kimmel Foundation - Kimmel Translational Science Award; Leukemia and Lymphoma Society - Career Development Program
- Awards cannot be used for institutional overhead or indirect costs.

NOMINATION LIMITATION

Yale University is invited to nominate **two** candidates.

INTERNAL COMPETITION PROCEDURES

Complete instructions for submitting an application for the Internal Competition are available on the Grant & Contract Administration website at: http://grants.med.yale.edu/funding_opportunities/internal-competition.html

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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For upcoming Scholar Award deadlines: http://grants.med.yale.edu/funding_opportunities/deadlines.html