

# PILOT STUDY AWARDS in ovarian cancer research \$75,000 One-Year Awards Request for Applications

## Pilot Study Award Overview:

The Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer is announcing funds for approximately twelve Pilot Study Program awards to be allocated based on scientific merit. One-year awards at \$75,000 each, Pilot Study Program awards will support investigator-initiated projects in all areas of ovarian cancer research. In addition, projects designed to analyze data from already funded clinical trials will be considered. Funds are for direct costs only; institutional overhead and indirect costs will not be included in the award.

Applicants may budget for salary support, materials, supplies, consumables, travel costs for scientific meetings, and other expenses as justified. Budget and budget justification must be included with the application.

Funding priority will be given to proposals that are:

- Innovative
- Multidisciplinary
- Likely leading to submission of grant applications for independently funded investigations
- Conveying translational research potential

#### Eligibility:

Investigators at the assistant, associate or full professor level (or equivalent) are encouraged to apply.

#### Requirements upon funding:

A final scientific report, final financial report, and lay abstract must be provided within 90 days after the completion of the funding period. In addition to submitting all final reports and annual updates, award recipients are highly encouraged to present at the next forthcoming Rivkin Center Symposium following the completion of funding. Awardees are eligible to compete for travel stipends from the Rivkin Center in order to defray symposium travel expenses. Award recipients are encouraged to use results to publish findings and develop full-scale funding applications to national agencies.

### Application Format and Instructions:

Applicants should submit a proposal application to the Rivkin Center via proposalCENTRAL (proposalcentral.altum.com) including applicant/PI and institution contact information, scientific proposal, budget information, biosketch, other support, organizational assurances, and scientific and lay abstracts.

Scientific Proposal: The Scientific Proposal should be no more than five pages in length addressing each of the following areas: Specific Aims, Background and Significance, Preliminary Results (if available), and Research Design and Methods (Arial or other acceptable font, 11 point minimum, 8.5" x 11" paper, 0.5" margins). All tables, figures, and images must fit within the five-page limit and be legible. References should be included and are not counted as part of the five-page limit. Additional materials (e.g. published papers, submitted manuscripts, letters of support, summary of facilities and resources, etc.) will not be considered.

## **Application Submission:**

All application materials should be submitted through proposalCENTRAL by the application due date (December 3, 2018, 5PM Eastern Time). Applicants who do not already have an account in proposalCENTRAL must register (Link for site) for an account prior to beginning application. Once completed, the application must be validated to ensure all materials have been submitted. Signature pages must be printed for a wet signature (not an electronic signature) from the named institutional official and then uploaded to proposalCENTRAL.

## More Information:

Visit <u>proposalcentral.altum.com</u> or <u>rivkin.org</u> for the latest "Pilot Study Award Guidelines." Questions may be directed to Kiran Dhillon, PhD at <u>Kiran.Dhillon@swedish.org</u> or (206) 215-2964.

The Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer is an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization established in Seattle in 1996 as a joint partnership with Swedish Medical Center and Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center. The organization's mission is to save lives and reduce suffering through improved treatment, early detection, and prevention of ovarian cancer. The Rivkin Center has funded over \$10 million in research grants worldwide. The Rivkin Center's work is part of the legacy of renowned Swedish Cancer Institute medical oncologist Saul E. Rivkin, MD (now retired), in loving memory of his wife Marsha, who lost her life to ovarian cancer. For more information, please visit <a href="www.rivkin.org">www.rivkin.org</a> or call (206)215-6200.