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Request for Proposals: Collaborative Pilot Studies Addressing Cancer and Aging

The James P. Wilmot Cancer Institute (WCI) and the University of Rochester Aging Institute (URAI) are soliciting grant applications to support research projects relating to Cancer and Aging. This RFP is designated to support basic, translational or clinical Cancer and Aging research projects. Award level: \$50,000 for one year.

The goal of this award is to encourage the development of new multidisciplinary collaborative research projects with the aim of reaching competitiveness for grant funding from NCI, NIA, or other extramural sources. Awards will be based on scientific merit, innovation and responsiveness to this RFA. Projects must align aging and/or geriatrics research with one or more of the Wilmot Cancer Institute's Core Research Programs: 'Genetics, Epigenetics and Metabolism', 'Cancer Microenvironment' and 'Cancer Prevention and Control', or the Cancer Outreach and Engagement Program. Full time UR faculty will qualify only once as a principal investigator and once as a co-investigator, and may only hold a single WCI pilot award as a PI at any given time.

Proposal:

Application is a two-step application process. Step 1 consists of a 1-page letter of intent (LOI) summarizing the proposed project and NIH format biosketches of the PIs involved. The LOI should be submitted in a single PDF document using at least a font size of 11 pt, ½ inch margin, single-spaced type. Proposals will be scored by a panel of Cancer & Aging experts and meritorious applications will be invited for a full submission.

THIS PROPOSAL DOES NOT NEED TO BE ROUTED INTERNALLY

Submission Timeline:

Letters of intent are **due April 5th**. Invitations for full submissions will be solicited by **April 12**. Full submissions (specific aims page, three-page proposal, references, budget and lay abstract) will be due on **May 15th**. **Anticipated start date for the successful proposal: July 1, 2021.**

Applications and / or questions should be submitted electronically to Thomas Fogg, Assistant Director for Research Administration, WCI. Thomas_Fogg@URMC.Rochester.edu