

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER SCHOOL OF MEDICINE & DENTISTRY

DEPARTMENT OF NEUROLOGY

EXPERIMENTAL THERAPEUTICS TRAINING GRANT NIH# 5T32NS007338

FACT SHEET FY 2016 - 2017

Compensation:

Most first year fellows receive a salary of \$63,603 per year plus benefits. Compensation in the subsequent year(s) is based on performance and fellows' current portfolio of research support.

Travel Expenses:

The fellowship provides a travel stipend and additional funds are generally available for fellows presenting their research. Fellows attend and frequently present at national and international meetings in their field of interest. In addition, fellows are encouraged to attend FDA Advisory meetings as several faculty have served or serve on FDA Advisory Committees.

Tuition:

The fellowship and University provide educational funds sufficient to cover the costs of courses or obtaining a Masters in translational research or clinical investigation.

Other Features:

- *Mentoring Team:* Fellows benefit from broad mentorship including a primary mentor (an established investigator in the fellow's field of interest), a biostatistician, and a neuroscientist who provide a broad, multi-disciplinary exposure and experience for fellows.
- *Participation in extramurally-funded clinical research:* Fellows have hands-on experience in 3 or more clinical studies while developing their own independent project(s). Fellows become co-authors on these projects.
- *Grant Preparation:* Fellows learn to design, research, and develop extramural grant applications in a highly-mentored environment. Most fellows completing the program have had successful grant applications prior to the end of training.
- *Working Group on Clinical Trials:* This seminar series consists of faculty and fellows interested in experimental therapeutics. Bi-weekly meetings consist of general discussion of experimental therapeutics issues, particularly the design, performance and analysis of clinical trials.
- *"Mellow Fellows":* Informal research-social lunch meeting held monthly designed to provide fellows an opportunity to brainstorm new ideas with experienced investigators and biostatisticians, and with each other.
- *Advanced Degree Programs:* Fellows have the opportunity to pursue a curriculum leading to an MPH or a master's degree in Translational or Clinical Research
- *Ethics in Research:* All fellows take a course on scientific integrity and the responsible conduct of research. This requirement is met by "Ethics in Research", which is offered during the Fall semester. This cost is covered by University benefits and the Training Grant.
- *Case Studies in Clinical Research, Regulation and the Law:* A monthly seminar that pairs a clinical investigator with a lawyer or other expert on the regulation of science. (Directed by Robert Griggs, MD and Karen Rabinowitz, JD).
- *Career Development Curriculum:* A monthly seminar with fellows (Directed by Erika Augustine, MD, MS).