



Epigenetic Therapies SPORE Developmental Research Program Call for Research Proposals

The Coriell Institute for Medical Research / Van Andel Institute Epigenetic Therapies SPORE (PIs: Drs. Jean-Pierre Issa, Stephen Baylin, Peter Jones) solicits applications for Developmental Research projects. Applicants must hold either an M.D. or Ph.D. degree, or equivalent and hold a Faculty or equivalent title.

Research can be basic, translational, or clinical, but must be directly relevant to epigenetic therapies in cancer and amenable to translation to the clinic over a period of 4 years. Even if there is no salary requested, please note that time commitment in terms of personnel effort (calendar months) is required from the PI (applicant) for the successful conduct of the project. If Year 1 funding is awarded, applicants are encouraged to apply for Year 2. The Developmental grant mechanism is meant for a maximum of two years funding only. Qualified women, minority and other underserved investigators are strongly encouraged to apply.

Pre-Proposal

A pre-proposal is required prior to submission of a full proposal. Pre-Proposals will include a one half to 1 page (maximum) project abstract and the name of the PI and participating investigators.

Pre-Proposals should be submitted electronically as a PDF attachment to SPORE Administrator, Sonata M. Stevenson, via email at sstevenson@coriell.org by **March 15th, 2024**. Applicants judged to be responsive will be notified shortly thereafter and asked to submit a full proposal. Finalists may be asked to give a brief presentation of their planned studies in person to the SPORE Executive Committee. The award will be based on 1) Scientific merit, 2) Potential for translational application, 3) Innovation, 4) Responsiveness to the specific goals of the SPORE, 5) Multidisciplinary interactions, and 6) Technical feasibility.

Full Proposal

Proposals should use Arial and a font size of 11 point, 1-inch margins, single-spaced and consist of:

1. Proposed research, 5-page maximum excluding references (Abstract, Hypothesis, Specific Aims, Background and Significance, and Plan of Attack)
2. [Biosketch](#) in NIH format
3. A Grants.gov [Research & Related Budget](#) (R&R) and budget justification for a total of \$50,000 (Direct + Indirect costs)
4. Other Support document (List all external and internal research support regardless of relevance to this application, including pending applications. Sample NIH OS template [linked](#).)

Full proposals should be submitted electronically as a PDF attachment to SPORE Administrator, Sonata M. Stevenson, via email at sstevenson@coriell.org by **May 1st, 2024**.

Please direct all questions to Sonata M. Stevenson, Epigenetic Therapies SPORE administrator at sstevenson@coriell.org or 856-668-2077.

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