Steven Goldman Memorial
Pancreatic Cancer
Research Grant
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IMPORTANT DEADLINES:
LOI due Friday, February 19, 2016
Proposal invitations extended by March 4, 2016
Deadline for invited proposals Wednesday, April 13, 2016

INTRODUCTION
The Steven Goldman Memorial Pancreatic Cancer Research Grant was created to honor the memory of Steven Goldman who lost his battle with pancreatic cancer in 1985. This grant award in his name is reserved for scientific researchers of the highest caliber who are dedicated to eradicating pancreatic cancers.

PURPOSE
The purpose of the grant is to encourage research in the molecular genetics of cancer, tumor immunology, growth promoting factors of cancer, tumor virology which appears to have relevance to human cancers and other areas of basic cancer research. Research into therapeutic modalities which help to elucidate, prove or disprove explanations or theories in the area of basic cancer research may be supported. The grant may also be used to support work in techniques and methods which may be helpful to investigators in basic cancer research.

GOALS
The goals of the Steven Goldman Memorial Pancreatic Cancer Research Grant are to encourage:
- basic research in the area of cancer;
- projects seeking to determine the cause of cancer;
- projects that study the mechanisms by which cells undergo malignant transformation;
- study of the failure of the host to stop the spread and progression of the cancer.

AWARD
In 2016 the Steven Goldman Pancreatic Cancer Research Grant will offer a total award of $50,000 to support one outstanding application. The grant will be awarded for the period of one year. Grant recipients are eligible to apply as a renewal for no more than 3 years, and renewal applications will be in competition with new applications for funding.

ELIGIBILITY
The investigator must be a full-time basic scientist affiliated with the University of Cincinnati
and must be of high moral and scientific integrity. Preference is to be given to investigators who have made a full-time career commitment to basic cancer research and those investigators whose work involves or relates to cancer of the pancreas. The grant shall be distributed to an individual investigator and may not be divided up among two or more investigators. The investigator to whom the award is made may use part of the award to hire or pay lab staff or postdoctoral fellow, provided that the individual is working under the direction of the funded investigator and must be restricted to his or her work on the funded cancer research project. No more than 10% of the award may go to administrative expenses; the remainder of the award must be given to the investigator to be spent entirely on the research project for which the award is made.

**This grant will not support:**
- Patient care or caring for the families with relatives who have cancer
- Screening of presumed or questionable carcinogens in various animal or cell models
- Improving current modalities of cancer treatment such as better surgical techniques
- Testing of new chemotherapeutic agents.
- More than 10% of administrative costs

**REVIEW OF PROPOSALS**
A two-stage process will be used for the review of proposals. The first stage is a 1-page competitive Letter of Intent (LOI), followed by the submission of a 5-page full proposal for those who are invited based on evaluation of the LOIs.

**Letters of Intent**
The 1-page LOI (0.5 inch margins and Arial 11 font) should contain:
- A preliminary title
- PI, degree, title and department
- A brief outline of the proposal including research area overview, hypothesis, aims and methods, list of key personnel with their affiliation and the roles in the project
- Biographical sketch of the applicant’s current curriculum vitae or a PHS-398 biosketch (separate from the 1-page LOI):

**INVITED APPLICATIONS**
The following items must be submitted for an application to be considered complete and eligible for review.
- **Cover Sheet**
- **Project Narrative:** The Narrative is limited to a maximum of five type written pages of
text in no less than Arial 11-point font and should include the following headings: Background, Hypothesis and Specific Aims, Preliminary Data (not mandatory) and Experimental Design. All text, tables and figures must be included in the body of the application and no appendices will be accepted other than appropriate letters of support.

- **Budgets and Justifications**: The budget should include only items needed to perform the project. PI salary, capital, equipment needs or indirect costs may not be included. Exceptions may be made if a proven need exists. See eligibility section regarding funding for administrative expenses. Projects are limited to a maximum of $50,000 for one year. See eligibility sections for additional information. The budget should be submitted in PHS298 format: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/fp4.pdf](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/fp4.pdf)

- **Biographical sketch** of the applicant’s current curriculum vitae or a PHS-398 biosketch: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/biosketch.pdf](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/biosketch.pdf)

- **All Project Investigator’s active and pending sources of research support**.

For investigators moving into new, innovative areas of work, the absence of preliminary data will not preclude funding. The role of the presented project in leading toward successful extra-mural funding should be addressed.

**Review of Proposals**
Invited proposals received by the deadline will undergo rigorous peer-review by a panel of researchers appointed by the Chair of Cancer Biology, the Director of the UC Cancer Institute and the Director of the Gastro-Intestinal (G/I) Comprehensive Cancer Center. Reviews will be scored in accordance with NIH grant review guidelines.

**Progress Report**
A progress report describing in detail how the award has been spent and what has been learned or discovered will be due approximately 11 months after the funds are awarded. This report shall not exceed three single spaced 8.5x11 pages

**Discontinuation of Funding**
In the event the Steven Goldman Memorial Pancreatic Research Grant’s Principal Investigator (PI) leaves the University of Cincinnati Cancer Institute or uses the grant award for research not within the guidelines of the grant award, the UCCI will rescind the remaining grant money available to the PI. The rescinded funds will be reinvested into the Steven Goldman Memorial Pancreatic Cancer Research endowment fund.
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Please submit electronic version of application to:

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If you have any questions please email or call:

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