

Instructions for NADC Pilot Proposals

All applications must specifically focus on Non-AIDS Defining Cancers (NADC) occurring in HIV-positive patients and have a clear justification for how the project will provide insights into unique aspects of these diseases or may lead to improved outcomes of patients. All projects are expected to involve multi-investigator teams. While investigators may participate in multiple projects, only one application may be submitted from each Principal Investigator and all PIs must be independent faculty at any one or more of the Case CCC institutions. Inclusion of a Biostatistician is strongly encouraged.

Applicants have the option of incorporating the CFAR Network of Integrated Clinical Systems (CNICS) database, or the CWRU/UH CFAR database that is currently being developed. Use of these databases is encouraged but not required.

NON-COMPETING Letter of Intent (1 page) to aide reviewer identification – due September 5

Proposals will be limited to 4 pages and include the following:

- Research Plan with Specific Aims and Statistical Plan (up to 3 pages)
- Description of the Research Team, including the role of each member of the team
- Plans for Future Funding (~0.25 page)
- Plans for interactions with the Cleveland CFAR and/or Uganda research teams (~0.25 page)
- All proposals must be submitted by 11:59 pm on September 11, 2017. No exceptions will be made.
- Proposals should be submitted to casecccpilots@case.edu.

Additional information that should be submitted but is not included in the 4 page limit includes:

- Cover Page that includes the Title, PI, Institution(s), Department(s), and all co-investigators
- NIH Biosketches for all key personnel (up to 5 pages each)
- References Cited
- One page budget with categories and justification (note that PI salary support is excluded. Travel is allowable, but only to complete research objectives. Travel will not be covered for attendance at society meetings or similar activities). Budget should include costs of obtaining samples from the biorepository, if appropriate.
- Letters of support (e.g. from collaborators with access to patient cohorts).

Review Criteria:

- Project focuses on NADC in HIV positive patients
- A highly collaborative and effective team
- Project addresses an important biological or clinical research problem
- Research plan is innovative, impactful, and is appropriately designed
- Project includes interactions with CFAR or Uganda research teams and/or patient cohorts
- The project and research team have a high likelihood for future multi-PI funding from national sources

Review Process:

Written proposals will go through a standard peer-review process for grant applications.

Obligations of Awardees:

- Acknowledgement of support from the Case CCC P30 supplement in all publications and media releases associated with the supported project.
- Timely submission of data and stewardship reports upon request from the Case Comprehensive Cancer Center or the CWRU/UH CFAR.
- Participation in meetings with the NADC steering committee.
- Presentation of research upon request at Case Comprehensive Cancer Center or CWRU/UH CFAR retreats, symposia, or seminar series.

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