Washington University Pediatric Nephrology Research Core (WUPNRC)

PILOT & FEASIBILITY AWARDS: CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
2020-2021 Cycle

The WUPNRC is soliciting applications for its Pilot and Feasibility Program. The WUPNRC Pilot and Feasibility research grant program aims to encourage investigators new to kidney disease research relevant to children, both those who are early in their career development and those who are more senior but not currently working in this area, to initiate research in pediatric nephrology domains. The principal investigator must be a full-time Washington University faculty member (Instructor or above) at time of award. All pilots are funded for 1 year at an anticipated maximum of $25,000 direct costs, renewable for 1 additional year.

Projects must be within the overall themes of the WUPNRC: Infectious, immunological, and vascular determinants of kidney damage in children. All types of research in the T0-T4 spectrum will be considered, including basic, translational, clinical and implementation. Projects and investigators funded through this cycle will be expected to participate in the P50 Pediatric Nephrology Centers of Excellence grant submission to NIDDK in 2021.

QUALIFICATIONS:
Full time faculty and current senior post-doctoral fellows with a faculty appointment effective as of July 1, 2020 at Washington University, including:

1. Junior investigators without independent grant support (excluding career development awards) seeking to establish independence in this field of research;
2. Investigators with independent grant support (past or present) who have not been involved in pediatric nephrology-related research wishing to enter this field;
3. Investigators with independent grant support who have previously worked in this field but wish to pursue a new research direction.

AWARD DETAILS:
Awards of up to $25,000 in DIRECT COSTS, per year, for one to two years (latter based on competitive renewal). No indirect costs are allowed.

LETTER OF INTENT:
We require sending a letter of intent electronically that includes the following information:

- Descriptive title of proposed activity
- Name, department and contact information of PI
- Short (1-2 paragraph) description of scope of project and how it relates to kidney disease research relevant to children and within the themes of the WUPNRC

Letters of intent should be sent to kathy.kiefer@wustl.edu by Friday February 28, 2020.
FULL GRANT SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

Full Application Due Date: Friday, March 27, 2020, 5:00PM
Funding Period: July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

SUBMISSION

1. To facilitate the review process, a letter of intent should be received electronically by the WUPNRC office no later than 5 pm CST on February 28, 2020.
2. YOUR FULL PROPOSAL, in PDF format, must be received no later than 5 pm CST on March 27, 2020 in the WUPNRC office. Submissions should use PHS 398 application format (01/2018) (single spaced, Arial 11 font) and include 3 items: 1) biosketch of PI and any key collaborators, 2) a draft budget and 3) research plan (specific aims, background and significance, preliminary studies and experimental design and methods). The research plan CANNOT exceed FIVE (5) pages total (excluding references). Complete PHS 398 (revised 01/2018) packets may be obtained online.
3. Email completed application files to kathy.kiefer@wustl.edu

Notice of approved pilot proposals will be on or before April 30, 2020. Funding for the 2020 pilot grants will commence July 1, 2020. A complete set of appropriate regulatory approvals will be required for all approved pilot grants by May 31, 2020.

Questions? Please contact:

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