

2018-19 Request for Applications (RFA) Investment of Catalytic Funds to Access Resources Awards (iCFAR)

A CFAR Core Services Voucher Mechanism

Key Deadlines	Date Due
RFA Release Date	January 2, 2019
Required Core Consultation Deadline	February 20, 2019
Applications Due	February 27, 2019

See the following pages for a description of the award program and application process.

Investment of Catalytic Funds to Access Resources Awards (iCFAR)

Purpose

To encourage investigators, especially junior or new to CFAR, to access CFAR services, data, and/or specimens for short-term innovative HIV-related pilot projects that will likely generate sufficient data for subsequent applications for future research funding.

These grants are intended to fund services in excess of what can routinely be provided by a Core.

Required Core Consultations

All applicants must use one or more CFAR Cores for these awards. Please consult with the CFAR Core whose services you plan to use. These consultations must be completed by **February 20, 2019.** See following page for Cores and contacts.

Eligibility

To be eligible, a PI must be a faculty member, senior post-doctoral fellow, or scientist at a UW/Fred Hutch CFAR affiliated institution. These include the University of Washington, Fred Hutch, Center for Infectious Disease Research (CIDR), Infectious Disease Research Institute (IDRI), Seattle Children's, University of Hawai'i, and affiliated international institutions. Contact cfardev@uw.edu if you have questions about eligibility.

Applicants are required to have an MD or PhD or equivalent terminal degree in order to be eligible to apply. Applicants are only allowed to submit one application to this program per cycle. CFAR values diversity among its awardees and encourages individuals from <u>underrepresented groups</u> to apply.

All applicants must be or become a UW/Fred Hutch CFAR Member before applying. Information about how to join CFAR can be found at here or by contacting cfarinfo@uw.edu.

Types of Projects

We can only accept applications directly or closely related to HIV as defined in the <u>NIH's HIV/AIDS</u> research high or medium priority areas.

We **cannot** fund research with investigational drugs or clinical trials (see <u>NIH's definition of a clinical trial</u>).

Funding Available

Up to \$15,000 direct costs per project, and projects must be completed within one year. **The funds** are intended to be used to support a CFAR Core's services for the project.

Pre-Award Requirements

Per NIH policy, CFAR may not release funds for international projects until awardees complete the NIH administrative clearance process. This process often takes more than one month, so please consider it in your timeline.

Animal Care and Institutional Review Board approvals, if applicable, are **not** required to submit an application but must be obtained prior to receipt of award funding.

Core Contacts

The CFAR Cores and contact information for each are listed below:

<u>Behavioral Science Core (cfar@uw.edu)</u>: Provides resources to catalyze new behavioral science research that will contribute to curbing the global HIV epidemic and improve outcomes along the continuum of HIV prevention and care.

<u>Biometrics Core (ktapia@uw.edu)</u>: Provides a central resource of biostatistical/ mathematical expertise to improve the conception, design (e.g. analysis plans and power/sample size calculations), implementation (e.g. data management), and analysis of HIV/AIDS studies.

<u>Clinical Cohort and Comorbidity Research Core (kelpie@uw.edu)</u>: Helps researchers access the comprehensive clinical database of the UW HIV Cohort Study for epidemiological or health services research.

<u>Translational Research Science Sub-Core (aahowell@uw.edu)</u>: Can facilitate clinical, translational or sociobehavioral research projects that require access to research space, local research subjects and/or clinical specimens/procedures.

<u>HIV-Associated Malignancies Core (kmaggard@fredhutch.org)</u>: Provides assays and data instruments to enable studies of HIV-associated malignancies.

Immunology Core (sderosa@fredhutch.org and ana.gervassi@cidresearch.org): Provides advanced tools and training for evaluating humoral and cellular responses to HIV infection.

<u>Implementation Science Core (cfar@uw.edu)</u>: Provides resources to help investigators form interdisciplinary teams; translate their research into public health or clinical practice; and provide technical support in implementation science measures, research design, economic modeling, and disease transmission modeling.

Retrovirology and Molecular Data Science Core (mullspt+cfar@uw.edu): Assists researchers perform optimized viral analysis experiments and analyze data from state-of-the-art genomics and database technologies, in support of HIV and related research.

Post-Award Requirements

All recipients must provide a final report for their project. All manuscripts, publications and presentations resulting from CFAR support must acknowledge the CFAR grant.

Review Criteria

Reviewers will judge applications based upon scientific merit, potential for the data to support a future grant application, and potential overall impact.

Application Instructions

Submit application using the iCFAR application form below by **February 27, 2018** to <u>cfardev@uw.edu</u>.

Individual application sections may be expanded, but the overall proposal should not be more than **2 pages** in length.

Applicants are **required** to also submit their NIH-style biosketch.



UW/Fred Hutch Center for AIDS Research 2018-19 iCFAR Award Application Form

Title of Project: Applicant Name: Academic Title: Gender*: CFAR Core(s) involved: Have you received prior CFAR Core support?	Institution: Email: Race/Ethnicity*: If yes, confirm this is a new project:
Please describe the rationale why this project is im	
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Detailed description of the proposal, including infor	mation on requested Core-specific support:

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Describe the expected impact and future directions for this project:		

Budget (direct costs):

Item	US Dollar Amount
Total	

^{*}Optional for CFAR reporting purposes.

Please attach a copy of your biosketch.

Submit all applications to cfardev@uw.edu by February 27, 2019.