



Cancer Research Fellowship
Request for Application

***Electronic Deadline:
Wednesday, February 16, 2011, 5 PM***

American Cancer Society East Central Division
Cancer Research Fellowship
5555 Frantz Road
Dublin, OH 43017

FACT SHEET (2011)

Cancer Research Fellowship

Grant Purpose	To strengthen the field of cancer research by attracting and maintaining the engagement of outstanding clinicians and scientists in basic or clinical cancer research upon completion of their specialty training.
Fellows Eligibility	<p>Intended for MDs, DOs, DDSs, PhDs in Nursing at an Ohio academic institution and other clinicians and scientists. The fellowship is not intended to support PhD candidates already on a research track.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. citizen, non-citizen national or permanent resident during the period for which support is requested. • Must be nominated by a sponsor or advisor who is actively engaged in cancer- related research in Ohio • Should not be receiving other American Cancer Society funding during the fellowship period.
Terms of the Fellowship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The fellow receives a stipend for a maximum one year period in support of a cancer research project. • The research must be completed in Ohio; funds cannot be transferred. • The application should be completed by the fellow candidate. • Can be renewed for second-year funding, depending on available funding, using a similar application and submitted jointly by program director and fellow.
Stipend	\$9,600 for one year, restricted to salary only. Payment made to the institution.
Expenditure Period	June 1, 2011 through May 31, 2012
Application Deadline	Submit in single PDF via e-mail to OhioACSResearch@cancer.org or fax to Judith Musser at 877-227-2838 no later than Wed., February 16 , 2011, 5 PM.
Selection Process	Competitive process via review committee of Ohio cancer researchers.
Reporting Requirements	Progress report due within 30 days of fellowship completion with sponsor comments.
Contact Information	Inquiries should be directed to: Lynne Ayres, Director of Research Communications, American Cancer Society, East Central Division, 5555 Frantz Rd., Dublin, Ohio 43017, 888-227-6446, Extension 8420 or by e-mail Lynne.Ayres@cancer.org

American Cancer Society, East Central Division, Inc. Cancer Research Fellowship Application

PURPOSE

The Cancer Research Fellowship is intended to attract outstanding clinicians and scientists in Ohio to explore and pursue careers in oncology upon completion of their specialty training. The program is specifically designed to encourage clinicians to engage in basic or clinical academic research.

TERMS OF THE FELLOWSHIP

The fellowship is intended to provide sponsoring institutions an opportunity to encourage clinicians in Ohio to engage in academic research. It provides a stipend for up to a year or no later than May 30, 2010. Applicants for the fellowship are responsible for completion of the application except for the sponsor's statement and biosketch. Part of the fellow's training is preparation of a fundable grant, therefore, it is expected that the Abstract and Research Plan are the work of the applicant.

The fellowship is intended for first-time applicants. In special circumstances, an applicant may apply for renewal funding, contingent on submission of a first-year progress report and availability of funds. Eligibility requirements for renewal (see below) apply. Renewal requests must be submitted jointly by the program director and the fellow and include the following:

- Pages 1 and 2 of the application form
- A letter requesting renewal and describing the progress made toward specific aims of the project and methods used to accomplish the research thus far
- A copy of the original application

REQUIREMENTS (FELLOWS)

- **Must be M.D., D.O., D.D.S., or Ph.D. in Nursing or other clinicians at an Ohio institution currently on a research track.** PhDs and those attaining Assistant Professor are ineligible.
- Must be recommended by a sponsor or advisor who is actively doing cancer-related research in Ohio.
- Must complete the application materials (Abstract, Research Plan) and attach sponsor's statement of support.
- Must show sufficient cause by background and interest to indicate his or her potential for future investigative work in cancer.
- Must have sufficient time to dedicate to research.
- Must be a resident of Ohio and complete the fellowship in Ohio during the funding period.
- Must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States.
- Should **not** be receiving other American Cancer Society funding for support of salary.

- Scientific investigators or health professionals who are funded by the tobacco industry for any project, or whose named mentors in the case of mentored grants, are funded by the tobacco industry for any project, may not apply and will not be eligible for American Cancer Society research and fellowship grants.
- Scientific investigators, health professionals or named mentors who accept funding from the tobacco industry for any project during the tenure of an American Cancer Society research or training grant must inform the Society of such funding, whereupon the American Cancer Society grant will be immediately terminated.

INSTITUTION'S ROLE

The fellowship program must be conducted at an Ohio academic institution with facilities and training in the areas of basic or clinical cancer research.

The fellow should be in an approved residency or fellowship program. Attainment of Assistant Professor status will disqualify the applicant.

STIPEND

The stipend for the Cancer Research Fellowship is \$9,600 for the designated period and is restricted to salary only. Payment from ACS will be made in one upfront allotment to the Ohio institution on behalf of the fellow.

The institution may supplement the stipend when the individual's abilities and circumstances warrant it in the judgment of his/her sponsor or institution. Such supplementation must not entail duties which will interfere with or detract from the fellowship program.

It is appropriate for a fellow to participate in the care of private patients as a member of a department or group in the institution to the extent that this experience is pertinent to training and research. Fees resulting from such practice may not be retained by awardees. Such fees may be used for salary supplementation within the guidelines and policies of the sponsoring institution.

REQUIRED REPORTS

A report must be submitted to the American Cancer Society East Central Division, Inc. upon completion of the fellowship assignment within 30 days of conclusion of the fellowship or no later than June 30, 2012. The report will consist of a summary of the work completed; background of the project, approaches employed, and related outcomes. In addition, it must include references to abstracts or papers that have been submitted for publication and a letter or e-mail from the program sponsor about the fellow's progress related to the fellowship project.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applications, including letters of support, must be submitted to OhioACSResearch@cancer.org no later than 5 PM, Wednesday, February 16, 2011. Late applications will be disqualified.

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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Applications must be completed by the fellow candidate, except for sponsor's letter and bio.
- Applications must be typewritten. Font size should be no smaller than 11, preferably Arial. Margins must be at least one-inch on all sides for all pages. Use single-sided, single-spaced pages. The fellow's name should be included on the top right corner of all submitted pages.
- Submit full application electronically in single PDF format (labeled "2011 Cancer Fellowship, Applicant's Name") must be submitted to OhioACSResearch@cancer.org no later 5 PM Wednesday, February 16, 2011.

All applications must include the following:

1. The **Cancer Research Fellowship Application form** that follows must be filled out completely with information about the applicant and sponsor. Incomplete applications are ineligible.
2. The **Project Abstract**, describing the project to which the fellow will contribute.
3. **The Research Plan**, including specifics about the research project as well as **the future professional career goals following completion of the fellowship.**
4. The applicant must submit a complete **Curriculum Vitae** beginning with college graduation to present, accounting for all periods.
5. A **statement of support from the sponsor**. Suggested content follows on page 2 of the application materials.
6. The application must include the **sponsor's condensed Biographical Sketch** of no more than four pages (sample provided).



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Application Date: _____

Funding Period: June 1, 2011 through May 31, 2012

Title of Proposed Research Project: _____

Have you previously received a fellowship from the American Cancer Society? Yes No

If yes, what year _____? Is this application a renewal of last year's fellowship? Yes No

FELLOW APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Applicant Name			
Name of Institution		Department	
Title		Email	
Current Mailing Address		Phone	
		Citizenship	US Permanent Resident Other
Gender	Male Female	Date of Birth	
Time allocation	Percentage of fellow's time which will be spent in: Teaching ___% Clinical cancer care ___% Clinical cancer research ___% Basic laboratory research ___%		
INSTITUTIONAL SPONSOR INFORMATION			
Sponsoring Institution			
Sponsor Name		Sponsor Signature	
Sponsor Title		Sponsor Email	
Sponsor Address (inc. Room #, Bldg, MS)		Sponsor Phone	
		Dept. Chair or Official Name	
Inst./Dept./Div. Activity (average annual estimate)*	New cancer patients treated in the institution _____ New cancer patients seen by the service _____ Cancer patients admitted to the service (inpatients) _____ <i>* If the fellowship is in a division of a clinical department and involves patient related research activities, figures for the service should reflect activity of the division only.</i>		
ACCOUNTING INFORMATION			
Checks to be made payable to			
Mail check to (Full Address)			
To the attention of			

I. ABSTRACT (for completion by the applicant): State the long-term objectives for the project; indicate the specific aims making reference to the cancer relatedness of the project; and describe concisely the methodology for achieving these goals. Avoid summaries of past accomplishments and the use of the first person. The abstract is meant to serve as a succinct and accurate description of the proposed work when separated from the application. **Do not exceed the space provided** (about 300 words).

II. RESEARCH PLAN (for completion by the applicant): Sections A through D should not exceed three (3) pages (not including references) and Sections E and F must not exceed three (3) pages.

- A. Specific Aims:** Clear outline of the specific, cancer-related aims of the research project.
- B. Background:** Concise introduction of the research, including pertinent references where applicable.
- C. Methods:** Concise statement of the research methods to be used. New or unusual methods or procedures should be provided.
- D. Significance:** Potential impact of the proposed research and the probability of completing the research during the time allotted.
- E. Future professional plans following the fellowship AND**
- F. Curriculum Vitae of the applicant**

III. STATEMENT OF SPONSOR'S SUPPORT

The sponsor's letter must be submitted on the institution's letterhead with a copy of the sponsor's biosketch (4-page maximum). It should include the following information (2-page maximum):

- A. Fellow's name.
- B. Title of research project to which the fellow will contribute.
- C. What specifically will the fellow contribute to the project? What role(s) will he or she play?
- D. What is the source of the fellow's salary?
- E. Why is the applicant being recommended for this fellowship? What interests does the applicant have in cancer research?
- F. What commitment and time do you have to oversee the fellowship?

Letters must be submitted in Word doc to OhioACSResearch@cancer.org or by fax to 877-227-2838 no later than 5 PM, Wednesday, February 16, 2011.

Sample Format - Sponsor's Biographical Sketch (not to exceed four pages)

NAME		POSITION TITLE		
EDUCATION/TRAINING <i>(Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, and include postdoctoral training.)</i>				
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION		DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	YEAR(S)	FIELD OF STUDY

RESEARCH AND/OR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- A. **Positions and Honors:** Concluding with present position, list, in chronological order, previous employment, experience, and honors. Include present membership on any Federal Government public advisory committee.
- B. **Publications and Manuscripts:** List, in chronological order, the titles, all authors, and complete references to publications up to as many as the page limitation allows.