

YALE UNIVERSITY ▼ SCHOLAR AWARD COMPETITION
DAMON RUNYON CANCER RESEARCH FOUNDATION
Damon Runyon Clinical Investigator Award

DEADLINES

December 9, 2011 – internal deadline
February 15, 2012 – sponsor deadline

SPONSOR'S WEBSITE

Award Overview: http://www.damonrunyon.org/for_scientists/more/clinical_investigator_award_overview
Application Guidelines: http://www.damonrunyon.org/for_scientists/more/clinical_investigator_award_application_guidelines
Scientific Advisory Committee: http://www.damonrunyon.org/for_scientists/more/clinical_investigator_award_committee/
Current Recipients: http://www.damonrunyon.org/current_projects/category/clinical_investigators/

FUNDING

\$150,000 per year for 3 years. (Total: \$450,000)
The fund will also retire up to \$100,000 of any medical school debt still owed by the awardee.

NOMINATION LIMITATION

Yale University may nominate three (3) candidates.

PURPOSE

The Foundation's goal is to increase the number of physicians conducting patient-oriented cancer research who are capable of moving seamlessly between the laboratory and the patient's bedside in search of breakthrough treatments. Clinical research includes patient-oriented research, epidemiological and behavioral studies, outcomes research and health services research. Support is available for clinical or patient-oriented research in which it is necessary to know the identity of the patient(s) from whom the cells or tissues under study are derived. Preference is given to research that adheres to the "Handshake Rule," meaning that the physician will conduct research studies that directly involve patients.

The review committee places a premium on innovation and creativity when reviewing applications, and on the commitment of the mentor and institution to the development and training of the applicant as a skilled clinical research investigator.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be citizens or permanent legal residents of the U.S.
- Candidates must have received an **M.D. or M.D./Ph.D.** and be board eligible.
- Applicants may apply during the first four years of their initial full-time faculty appointment, after the final year of subspecialty training.
- Candidates holding or awarded R01s at the time of application are not eligible.
- Applicants are required to apply in conjunction with a mentor who is established in the field of clinical translational cancer research or cancer prevention and epidemiology, and who can provide the critical guidance needed during the award period.
- Applicants must commit a **minimum of 80%** of professional time to the conduct of research and research career development.

INTERNAL COMPETITION PROCEDURES

See: http://www.yale.edu/grants/funding_info/internal_competition.html. **For this internal competition**, the letter of recommendation must come from your mentor, following the instructions in Item 9 of the Application Guidelines at: http://www.damonrunyon.org/for_scientists/more/clinical_investigator_award_application_guidelines.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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