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The KUH Predoctoral to Postdoctoral Fellow Transition Award (F99/K00 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

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Website: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-19-032.html
Agency Deadline: March 14, 2020 (Letter of Intent); April 14, 2020 (Full Application)

Internal Deadline: February 10, 2020

Submission Limitations: Emory University may submit 1 application for this program

Internal Competition Guidelines: Interested applicants must submit an abstract of their proposed projects (not to exceed 2 pages) and an NIH-style biosketch via email to Coordinator named above by no later than the internal deadline above for consideration. Please put—NIH NIDDK KUH Pre to Postdoctoral Transition F99 K00 - Applicant Name in the subject line of the e-mail. The abstract and biosketch(es) must be submitted in a single PDF file with the abstract first. Please note that written reviews or summary statements from the internal review and selection process will not be available.

The purpose of the Kidney, Urology or Hematology (KUH) Predoctoral to Postdoctoral Fellow Transition Awards (F99/K00) is to recruit exceptional graduate students from diverse research fields to pursue postdoctoral training focused on Kidney, Urology or Hematology (K, U, or H) research. Talented graduate students from disciplines including, but not limited to, engineering, statistics, data science, imaging, biochemistry and genetics are invited to apply to this opportunity. **Graduate students who are already involved in K, U, or H research** are not eligible for the F99/K00 award and are instead encouraged to apply for the Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Individual Predoctoral Fellowship (Parent F31, PA-19-195). Prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the NIDDK Program Official prior to initiating plans for application submission.

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) does not allow applicants to propose to lead an independent clinical trial, but does allow applicants to propose research experience in a clinical trial led by a sponsor or co-sponsor. F99 sponsor(s): Before submitting the application, the applicant must identify an F99 sponsor(s) who will supervise the proposed dissertation research training experience. The primary sponsor should be the applicant's primary dissertation research advisor and be committed both to the applicant's research training and to direct supervision of his/her research.

The sponsor should have a successful track record of mentoring predoctoral students. Applicants may identify more than one sponsor, i.e., a team of sponsors, if this is deemed advantageous for providing expert advice in all aspects of the research and training program. When there is a sponsor team, one individual must be identified as the primary sponsor who will coordinate the applicant's overall training program. The applicant must work with the primary sponsor in preparing the application.

K00 mentor(s): It is strongly encouraged that the applicant identifies a future post-doctoral phase (K00) mentor(s) before submitting the application. It is not necessary for the post-doctoral project to be fully developed at the time of application submission. The K00 mentor is expected to work with the applicant in addressing how the graduate research experience can be leveraged to address a K, U or H-related research direction. If however a mentor is not identified at the time of application submission, the F99 sponsor is expected to work with the applicant to address a strategy of identifying a K00 mentor and address how the graduate research experience can be potentially leveraged to address a K, U or H-related research direction.

Award budgets are composed of stipends, tuition and fees, and institutional allowance. For the F99 phase, award budgets are composed of stipends, tuition and fees, institutional allowance, and some travel costs as described below. For the K00 phase, award budgets are composed of salary and fringe benefits, research and career development support, indirect costs, and travel costs as described below.

Individuals may receive up to 6 years combined support for both phases, which includes up to 2 years in the F99 fellowship phase and up to 4 years in the K00 career development phase.

For full information, please see the website noted above.