

Doris Duke Charitable Foundation

2021 Clinical Scientist Development Award

Unlimited funding opportunity: Please contact your RAS unit *and* Jessica McDaniel (Jessica.mcdaniel@emory.edu) to inform them of your intent to submit.

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Website: <https://www.ddcf.org/what-we-fund/medical-research/goals-and-strategies/encourage-and-develop-clinical-research-careers/clinical-scientist-development-award/7>

RFP: <https://www.ddcf.org/globalassets/medicalresearch/csda/2021-csda/2021-csda-rfa.pdf>

Pre-proposal application due: **November 13, 2020 at 3 PM ET**

Invitation to submit full proposal: by January 15, 2021

Full Proposal Due: **March 12, 2021 at 3 PM ET**

Notice of Award: End of May 2021

Award Start Date: July 1, 2021

Program Description

The Doris Duke Clinical Scientist Development Award provides grants to early-career physician scientists to facilitate their transition to independent clinical research careers. Physician scientists pursuing research careers face challenges that are particular to their dual roles as researchers and health care providers. The purpose of the Doris Duke Clinical Scientist Development Award (CSDA) is to provide support to physician scientists at the Assistant Professor rank to: 1) conduct an outstanding clinical research project, 2) enable research time protection to ease the tension between research and clinical responsibilities, and 3) facilitate development of strong mentorship relations. Ultimately, the CSDA program aims to enable physician scientists' achievement of independent and successful research careers.

Award Details

The 2021 Clinical Scientist Development Award consists of \$150,000 annual direct costs plus \$15,000 (10%) annual indirect costs for three years (**total funding up to \$495,000**). The award project period is July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024. DDCF expects to fund approximately 12-18 applications in 2021. The priority of the CSDA program is to fund outstanding individuals with promise for outstanding clinical research careers, whose projects will address highly significant research questions and lead to career advancement. DDCF does not have funding priorities based on disease area or research type

Please refer to the RFP link above for Eligibility Criteria.

Grants will be awarded to early-career physician scientists (MD, MD/PhD, DO or foreign equivalent degree) at the Instructor or Assistant Professor rank working at US degree-granting institutions to support clinical research that will enable their transition to independent research funding.

**** New this year:** Based on input from our Scientific Advisory Council, Instructors at any qualifying institution are eligible to apply, in addition to physician scientists at the Assistant Professor level. To be 2 of 25 eligible for a CSDA, "Instructors" must have a full-time, post-training faculty appointment. Please note that fellows in subspecialty fellowship programs who received the title of "Instructor" but who are still in training are not eligible. CSDA applicants must be junior faculty who have completely finished all training (residency, fellowship, and any research years post-fellowship but prior to faculty) and have been in a full-time faculty position for at least one year but no more than four years.

In keeping with the wishes expressed in Doris Duke's will, experiments that use animals or primary tissues derived from animals will not be supported by this program.

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