UCSF May Submit 2 Applications, 1 per Program

PLEASE FORWARD THIS ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL APPROPRIATE FACULTY AND RESEARCH ADMINISTRATORS

WHAT:
- The W.M. Keck Foundation Medical Research Program
- The W.M. Keck Foundation Science & Engineering Program
- [http://www.wmkeck.org/grant‐programs/research](http://www.wmkeck.org/grant‐programs/research)

Please note: You are not required to identify the program to which you seek to apply; qualification criteria are similar and the review committee, along with Foundation input, will determine the Program for which your application is most appropriate.

PURPOSE:
- To advance the frontiers of medicine, science, and engineering to benefit humanity by supporting pioneering high-risk/high-impact research projects

ELIGIBILITY:
- Senior or early career investigators performing basic (not clinical) research
- Projects must be distinctive, novel, pushing the edge of the field or questioning the prevailing paradigm
- Support is for pioneering biological, science, and engineering research and the development of breakthrough technologies, methodologies, and/or instrumentation
- Projects should fall outside the mission of public funding agencies, demonstrating that private philanthropy, generally, and the W.M. Keck Foundation, in particular, is essential to the project's success
- Medical research projects conducted in hospitals are **not** eligible

BUDGET AND PROJECT PERIOD REQUIREMENTS:
- Budget: $1m-5m; most grants will be made at $1m-$2m
  - PIs are advised to keep budget in the range typical of most funded grants ($1m-$2m); a compelling case must be made for exceptional funding
  - Not allowed: indirect costs, tuition, PI support exceeding 10% annual salary or renovation costs exceeding 10% of total request
- Project period: 2-5 years, typically 3-4 years

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS UCSF MAY SUBMIT: 1 per Program

QUESTIONS:
- Regarding the W.M. Keck Foundation: Suzy Beemer, Senior Director, Corporate & Foundation Relations, 415. 514.2612 or SBeemer@support.ucsf.edu
- Regarding the internal review process: Alex Loucks, PhD, 415. 502.1662 or alexandra.loucks@ucsf.edu

DUE DATES:
• **October 27, 2014 (3pm):** Internal deadline
  Please note PIs may submit directly to the LSP; RMS does not get involved unless and until you are nominated
• December 2, 2014: PI notified of internal first-round selection, potential candidacy
• January 5, 2014: Deadline for revised pre-proposal for first round nominees
• February, 2015: PI notified of selection to submit full Phase 1 application
• April, 2015: [Check with your department RMS team](mailto:) for date by which they need application before foundation submission
• May 1, 2015: Keck Foundation, Phase 1 application due
• August 14, 2015: Keck Foundation, Phase 2 proposal due, if invited
• December, 2015: Awards announced

Submit the following in ONE PDF file by 3pm, October 27, 2014, to: [limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu](mailto:limitedsubmissions@ucsf.edu)

1. Limited Submission Pre-proposal Cover Sheet with signatures (form attached to email)
2. NIH Bio-swatch (4-pg. max., including publications)
3. 1-page concept paper providing the following:
   - Overview of the research proposed emphasizing any unique aspects and pilot studies
   - Brief description of the key personnel and methodologies
   - Brief justification of the need for Keck support
   - Estimated budget broken down, if possible, by major areas, e.g., personnel, equipment, consumable supplies, etc. (Budgets can be rough approximations at this stage.)
   - Other germane details (e.g., background to put the research into perspective, description of the institution’s prominence in the field, etc.), space allowing

*Concept paper requirements:*

- 1-page maximum, using 12-pt font and 1-inch margins
- Avoid illustrations; use all the room for text
- If a reference is necessary, abbreviate it as, e.g.: (*Science*, 323, 45, ’11)

*Sent by Alexandra Loucks, PhD, on behalf of the Research Development Office (RDO), Limited Submission Program (LSP)*