

### The New York Stem Cell Foundation

Requests Applications from researchers in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut for:

# The NYSCF – Druckenmiller Fellowship Awards

NYSCF invites applications from postdoctoral fellows at institutions within New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut to cultivate research that will explore the basic biology and therapeutic potential of stem cells derived from humans and model organisms. The main goal of this initiative is to foster research that will advance the understanding and eventual use of stem cells for the treatment of human disease.

NYSCF encourages applications focused on basic, pre-clinical, and/or translational studies in stem cell research including technical development, disease modeling, drug discovery and therapeutics. Candidates studying human embryonic stem cells, induced pluripotent stem cells and differentiated cells derived from them are particularly encouraged to apply.

The fellowship provides an annual stipend of \$57,500 (plus \$2,500 for computer and travel expenses). Fellowships will be awarded for up to 2 years with the possibility of a 3<sup>rd</sup> year of funding pending satisfactory progress. The fellowship does not provide institutional overhead. Successful applicants will have access to the NYSCF Research Institute and resources, will have the opportunity to present in the poster session at the annual NYSCF conference, and will attend an annual scientific retreat.

#### To be eligible, candidates must:

- Have completed one or more of the following degrees or its equivalent: MD, PhD
- Be working under the guidance of a qualified faculty member at an academic institution in New York, New Jersey, or Connecticut
- Be a US citizen, US legal resident or a foreign applicant with appropriate visa documentation, as required by US Immigration, valid for the course of the fellowship.
- Candidates who are committed at 100% effort to existing fellowships that last beyond June 1, 2018 will not be considered.

## Online Application Submission Process

All applications must be submitted through NYSCF's online grant management system. To create an account and submit your application, please visit: <a href="https://www.nyscf.org/applyfellowship">www.nyscf.org/applyfellowship</a>

#### On the site, applicants will need to provide:

- Contact and other relevant administrative details.
- Complete CV or biosketch including bibliography.
- A research proposal of not more than five pages (no less than 11-point type) excluding the summary. Inclusion of preliminary data is encouraged.
- Materials from faculty sponsor including:
  - o His/her CV or biosketch including bibliography (limit of 3 pages),
  - o A letter of reference outlining how sponsor will be engaged in planning, execution, and supervision of the proposed research and a career development plan.
  - o For applications using human embryonic stem cells, evidence that the proposed project has been approved by Embryonic Stem Cell Research Oversight Committee (ESCRO) of the institution, where the research is being conducted.
- Applicants must submit an institutional report card for gender equality in order for the application to be considered complete. Details and FAQ's can be found at http://nyscf.org/programs/women-in-science/reportcard

All applications must be submitted in the online system before 5:00 PM (Eastern) on January 10, 2018 in order to be put forward for review.

Candidates will be notified in May 2018. Funding is subject to participation in several key NYSCF events.