

Request for Applications:

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 \$58,500 (plus \$2,500 for computer and travel expenses). Fellowships will be awarded for up to 2 years with the possibility of a 3rd year of funding pending satisfactory progress. The fellowship does not provide institutional overhead.

To learn more, create an account and submit your application, please visit: www.nyscf.org/fellowshipaward

All applications must be submitted in the online system before 5:00 PM (Eastern) on January 13, 2021 in order to be put forward for review. Finalist candidates must be available for a short interview. All applicants will be notified in May.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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, 2021 will not be considered

APPLICATION DETAILS

The application components include:

- Contact and other relevant administrative details
- Complete CV or biosketch including bibliography
- A research proposal of not more than seven pages (no less than 11-point type), including figures, excluding references. Inclusion of preliminary data is encouraged.
- Materials from faculty sponsor including:
 - o His/her CV or biosketch including bibliography (limit of 5 pages),
 - o A mentoring plan (limit of 2 pages) describing the mentoring activities that will be provided for the applicant.
 - 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.
- A letter of reference (from someone besides the applicant's faculty sponsor)
 - o The letter of reference must be submitted by January 13, 2021.
- 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

AWARD DETAILS

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 with the NYSCF – Robertson Investigators and NYSCF Research Institute Scientists.

Funding is subject to participation in several key NYSCF events.