

SCMR 2017 Seed Grant Program Call for Proposals

The SCMR is pleased to announce the second call for a Seed Grant Program. The goal of the program is to foster the development and/or validation of new techniques aimed at increasing the clinical effectiveness of CMR. One grant of up to \$10,000 will be awarded in 2017 selected from proposals submitted on the topic of:

"Novel Approaches Towards Quantitative CMR"

Recent developments and innovations have demonstrated the potential of CMR to provide a truly quantitative analysis of changes in myocardial structure, function and blood flow associated with cardiovascular diseases. Quantitative CMR could enhance our understanding of cardiovascular disease and foster the development of new therapeutic strategies by developing new imaging biomarkers for disease characterization and longitudinal follow-up. We hope to encourage young investigators to break new ground on this topic and share their work with the SCMR community.

Eligibility:

- The Seed Grant Program is open to junior clinical and basic scientists (no more than 5 years after completion of the applicant's terminal research degree (e.g. PhD) or medical residency, whichever is later). Pre-doctoral students, post-doctoral trainees and junior faculty are all eligible.
- The applicant must be a current member of the SCMR through 2017.

Application

- A cover letter from the applicant describing their employment position and how the seed grant funds will be used to further their academic career. (1 page maximum)
- A letter from the applicant's supervisor or department head confirming that the applicant will have the time and resources needed to accomplish the proposed research project. (1 page maximum)
- Brief [biosketch](#) in NIH or equivalent format (2 page maximum)
- Description of the research including aims, current knowledge, preliminary work, and research plan / work packages including timeline and milestones for a 1 year project. (3 pages maximum)
- Budget - as detailed as possible. Funds can be used for salary support and research costs, but not for travel expenses. (1/2 page maximum)
- Describe any potential conflicts of interest (1/2 page maximum)

Funding and Award Process

- A single award will be made for \$10,000 for one year.

- Grant applications will be reviewed by the Science Committee, which will recommend the award recipient to the Executive Committee for approval.
- The winner will be announced at the Awards Ceremony during the 2017 SCMR Annual Scientific Sessions with a project start date of March 1, 2017.

Grant Reporting

- A Progress Report must be submitted at the end of one year.
- The Progress Report must include a detailed bill of cost, and a description of progress made towards the proposed research aims.
- The investigator will be invited to submit the results of the research project for presentation at the SCMR Annual Scientific Sessions.
- When ready for publication, the work is expected to be submitted to JCMR, where it will be subject to the usual peer review process.

Submission

- The deadline for electronic submission of research proposals is 23:59 Eastern Standard Time, August 22, 2016.
- All submission materials should be assembled into a single pdf file and submitted electronically to SCMR Headquarters.
- Please email any questions to hq@scmr.org.