***TARGETED RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES***

***School of Medicine, 2023/2024***

The School of Medicine, in conjunction with the Office of the Vice-President for Research, is pleased to announce the availability of competitive awards in support of research areas targeted by recent and ongoing philanthropic support.

* **Carol M. Baldwin Foundation for Breast Cancer Research** will support four $35,000 per annum, two-year awards. The Baldwin Awards are intended to advance research on Breast Cancer research on campus. The priority will be given to investigators who have outstanding research proposals in breast cancer and for whom the award will allow the development of competitive extramural funding, NCI preferred. Additional criteria include the translational aspects to the proposed studies and the collaborative nature of the proposal. Funding for year 2 is contingent on the successful applicants presenting at the annual Breast Cancer Research Retreat and approval by the selection committee. One of the 2 awards will be dedicated to clinical research. Two $40,000/year
* **Fusion Awards** are offered for projects that emphasize basic translational, interdisciplinary research (see Fusion Award description).
* The **Catacosinos Cancer Translational Researcher Award** will provide one $30,000 award.
* The **Walk-for-Beauty Foundation** will support one $35,000 project focused on breast cancer (if sufficient funds become available, a second proposal will be awarded).
* Two **Clinical Research Awards** ($40,000/year) are designed to support health services evaluation or outcomes data in clinical departments. Preference in funding will be provided to applicants who have a high potential for converting these projects into an extramural peer-reviewed research award.

Award funds are to be used in support of research efforts targeting the areas specified by donor individuals and/or groups. ***All awards specifically prohibit faculty salary support in any form, and will not pay travel, conference fees, memberships, subscriptions, and indirect/administrative costs.*** Other restrictions on the use of the funds may apply. Contact the Office of Scientific Affairs if you have further questions. The application process is simple and instructions are provided. **All faculty who have not received a TRO within the last three years in the category for which they are applying are eligible.** *Faculty members may only be listed on one application.* Awards will be activated on or about September 1, 2023. All annual increments of funding are to be expended within 18 months of activation. Awardees agree to provide a synopsis of the research accomplished during the first 6 to 12 months of the award period for both 1 and 2-year awards, respectively, via the TRO Submittable system.

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| ***Targeted Opportunity*** | ***# of Awards*** | ***Total Amount***  ***(per year)*** | ***Award Period***  ***(years)*** |
| Carol M. Baldwin Foundation for Breast Cancer Research *(Awardees must present at the Annual Breast Cancer Retreat. Second-year funds are contingent upon approval by the selected committee)* | 4 | $ 35,000 **\*** | 2 |
| Catacosinos Cancer Translational Researcher Award | 1 | $ 30,000 **\*\*** | 1 |
| Fusion Awards | 2 | $ 40,000**\*\*\*** | 2 |
| Walk-for-Beauty Foundation Research Award (breast or prostate cancer) | 1 | $ 35,000**\*** | 1 |
| Clinical Research Awards | 2 | $ 40,000**\*** | 2 |

\* requires a $10,000 per year match from dept.;

\*\* requires a $5,000 match from dept., VPR has pledged $5,000 additional match;

\*\*\* requires $5,000 per year match from each of two departments or institutions;

***Time line: Submission of completed application: May 12, 2023 (5:00 p.m.)***

*Notice of award (on or about) September 1, 2023*

***Please submit the completed application in one PDF indicating the category of choice. Please follow the TRO application guide when submitting your application. The deadline to submit is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 12, 2023.***

Link to OSA Website for TRO information: https://osa.stonybrookmedicine.edu/programs/targeted-research-opportunity