2018-2019 Pilot Projects Awards

Nathan Shock Center for Excellence in the Basic Biology of Aging

One year of support ($10,000 each) will be awarded for up to 10 Pilot research projects in the biology of aging. The Pilot Project application may either be designed to rapidly pursue a new finding or research opportunity, or to obtain preliminary data that will serve as a basis for a major research grant application. The projects should utilize the services of one or more of the three Research Core Services of our Center: Proteomics, Metabolomics and Invertebrate Longevity & Healthspan (see http://www.uwaging.org/shock-center/cores). Prior consultation with the Core Director(s) is strongly advised. Pilot project funds support the use of Research Core Analytical Services, but not supplies or salaries. Applications from outside the University of Washington are strongly encouraged. Junior Faculty members are particularly encouraged to apply for Pilot Projects

- Postdoctoral fellows cannot serve as Principal Investigators for pilot projects. However, they may receive support via faculty sponsors.
- Support for projects to study neurodegenerative diseases is infrequently granted, due to overlap with other funding sources.

Deadlines and Award Dates

All Applications Due: April 16, 2018, by 5:00 PM
Anticipated Date of Awards: July 1, 2018. Pilot Study Funding Period: July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

Application Instructions

Detailed instructions and costs of services are available here.

Applications include:

- Cover letter which addresses the following questions:
    - How does this research specifically relate to the biology of aging?
    - How one of more of the Center Cores can make a difference in your work
    - Need for Funding: justify why this work cannot be completed with your existing resources
    - Anticipated impact of the Pilot Award on future plans and funding
- One page description of your research plan and its significance. Information for budgeting of your Core Services can be found here.

Submit the cover letter and application electronically in PDF or Word format to:
Ellen Cravens, cravense@uw.edu. For more information, please contact Ellen at 206-616-4135.