

ImmunoDiverse URM/SRA Fellowship REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA)

Program Overview

To continue to support and uplift the underrepresented minorities (URM) as well as enhance the diversity within our ImmunoX community, we seek to provide incentives and opportunities for our faculty to recruit talented URM students to join their lab during their post-baccalaureate period. We hope that this fellowship will give URM identifying individuals an opportunity to gain research experience needed to transition to graduate school and beyond. This is to complement and take advantage of ImmunoDiverse and UCSF professional development opportunities for post-bacs. As participation in this program, we will ask that any supervisor that benefits from this program to also allow and encourage their URM SRA to participate in all ImmunoDiverse professional development initiatives.

These awards are a one-time \$10,000 supplement meant to offset associated costs from PI grants to pay student salary.

Program Eligibility

Applicant SRA candidates (typically junior specialist positions) and the PI or an ImmunoX member, where the SRA identifies as an URM (as defined by the NIH). It would be typical to apply for this at the time an offer letter is sent offering the SRA a position and the funds, but ImmunoDiverse will consider supplementing existing SRAs to provide membership in this community. In addition, recipients of this award would also be required to apply to and participate in the PROPEL program.

Deadline for Applications

Applications are evaluated on a rolling basis until allocated funds for the year are distributed. Applicants should contact ImmunoDiverse to confirm budgets and completed forms should be submitted to ImmunoDiverse@ucsf.edu.

Selection and Awards

The ImmunoDiverse Trainee Leadership Committee is responsible for reviewing and selecting applications for funding. The primary criteria for evaluation of applications include but are not limited to:

- From the applicant: Description of how this will promote their scientific development.
- From the PI: a statement of the detailed plan for securing the remainder of technician support and a statement ensuring that this will benefit the trainee (e.g. a sentence of the focus of their work in the lab, skills to be acquired, plan of PI oversight, and reiteration of which ImmunoDiverse and UCSF-wide community programs the applicant will be encouraged to join).

Questions?

Prospective applicants are encouraged to contact our ImmunoDiverse Leadership (ImmunoDiverse@ucsf.edu), to discuss an application or to propose alternative ways in which ImmunoX can support you during this period.

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Eligible applications should submit the completed ImmunoDiverse URM/SRA Fellowship application form with a Letter of Support from the applicant's principal investigator. Submit completed and signed form and letter of support to: ImmunoDiverse@ucsf.edu.

Application Date:

Name:

Email:

Department/Division:

Principal Investigator:

ImmunoX: Member Associate

Letter of Support Included: Yes

Signature

Date