





Instructions for VeloSano Catalyst Fellowships

Eligibility:

- Fellowship applicants must be Case CCC Trainee Associate Members (apply here: https://case.edu/cancer/index.php/training-education/trainee-associate-membership)
- Trainees are defined as graduate or medical students, postdoctoral scholars or fellows that
 are within the first five years of their post-doctoral training, or medical fellows working on a
 cancer-focused project.
- All awardees are expected to participate in VeloSano 2019 or 2020 (as a rider, virtual rider, or volunteer).
- Awardees must present their research progress when requested by the Case CCC.

Proposals will be limited to 3 pages and include the following:

- Research Plan (up to 2 pages, including preliminary data).
 - Section 1: Significance
 - Section 2: Innovation
 - Section 3: Specific Aims and Approach
- Description of how the proposed "dream experiment" adds to the current project and how it aligns with the Cancer Center initiatives/strategic plan (~0.5 page).
- Budget and budget justification (~0.5 page); note that personnel costs (stipends/salaries) and travel costs are excluded. Justification is necessary if off-site core facilities are used rather than Case CCC cores.
- Provide a statement attesting that the Trainee will either (i) participate in VeloSano 2019 or (ii) participate in VeloSano 2020 (as a rider, virtual rider, or volunteer).
- Note that all funds must be expended within the 12-month funding period, extensions will not be granted.

Additional information that should be submitted, but is not included in the 3-page limit includes:

- **Cover Page** that includes the Project Title, Trainee Name, Mentor Name, Institution and Department. A list of all relevant co-investigators can be included.
- **NIH Biosketches** for Trainee and Mentor (up to 5 pages each)
- References Cited
- Letters of Support, if necessary for the conduct/interpretation of the experiment.

Due Date:

 All materials must be submitted to Damian Junk (damian.junk@case.edu) by JUNE 7, 2019 at 5 PM.

Review Criteria:

- Projects address an important biological, clinical, or population-based research problem.
- Dream experiment is highly innovative, potentially impactful, and is appropriately designed.

- All materials to complete the project are readily available; the experiment(s) can be completed within 12 months.
- The environment is appropriate for completion of the experiment. The mentor's laboratory is equipped to facilitate the project and appropriate co-investigators are engaged in the project.
- The fellowship will increase the likelihood of subsequent national fellowship/career development funding, publication, or presentation of the trainee's research at a national conference.
- The research project is expected to contribute to at least one impactful publication.

Obligations of Awardees:

- Acknowledgement of support from VeloSano Bike to Cure and Case CCC in all publications and media releases associated with the supported project.
- Timely submission of data and stewardship reports upon request from the Case CCC.
- Presentation of progress in Case CCC-sponsored symposia.
- Participation of in VeloSano Bike to Cure in 2019 or 2020.