



Request for Nominations

UW ICTR Mentored Career Development KL2 Scholars Program July 1, 2018 Appointment Start Date

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This award is intended to train and support junior faculty at UW Madison pursuing and actively engaged in translational research and who are committed to developing an independent research program. Funded by NIH, scholars will be awarded for two years; additional time in the program, is possible upon review of scholar progress and need.

- The awardees must average 75% protected time annually (12 months) for career development activities (exceptions can be made for surgeons or procedure-intensive specialties, for whom the rule will be 50% protected time). Applicants who hold appointments less than 12 months or full time (i.e., have VA appointments) are eligible, but still must meet the protected time requirement.
- Financial support of the KL2 Scholar is shared between ICTR and the respective department or school/college.
 - The annual KL2 package provides 75% of a \$100,000 university base salary (with fringe support) as well as a \$25,000 annual research stipend for personnel, supplies, travel, tuition and other allowable expenses as they pertain to a research project.
 - The department or school/college must also provide the remaining non-KL2 salary (including base and non-base), if applicable.

The annual KL2 appointment period is July 1 through June 30 and the award start date for this RFA is July 1, 2018.

ELIGIBILITY of APPLICANTS

- Applicants must be an Assistant Professor (tenure track or CHS). It is acceptable to have a non-faculty title at the time of the application (e.g., post-doctoral fellow, assistant scientist, clinical instructor) as long as the applicant will be promoted to a professorial rank by the time of the award (July 1, 2018). This must be clearly indicated in the letter of support from the nominating dean or department chair.
- Comparable junior research investigators at Marshfield Clinic are also eligible for this award.
- Applicants must be U.S. citizens or be lawfully admitted for permanent residence.
- Applicants may not simultaneously submit or have pending an application for any other NIH mentored career development award (e.g., K08, K23).
- Former or current PDs/PIs on any NIH research project grant or equivalent federal peer reviewed research grants that are over \$100,000 direct costs per year, or project leaders on sub-projects of program project (P01) or center grants (P50) **are NOT eligible to apply**. Note: this does not include NIH Small Grants (R03), Exploratory/ Developmental (R21) or SBIR, STTR (R43, R44 grants).
- An awarded KL2 scholar may not receive salary support from any other federally funded source during the first two years in the program. Note: this does not include those applicants who also have a part-time VA appointment.
- An awarded KL2 scholar is allowed to devote complementary effort without salary support on other research grants that include related research between the KL2 and the research grant. In such cases where there is scientific overlap, the percent effort on the research grant is subsumed within the required effort of the KL2. Nonetheless, there should not be significant duplication of the scope of the research supported by the KL2 award.



APPLICATION and SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Applicants must be nominated by their department chair or Dean of School/College of their primary academic appointment. Nominated applicants must attend one of two information sessions designed to assist applicants with both understanding the scope of the KL2 program and with completing the application packet. Application packets will be forwarded to applicants upon receipt of the nomination letter.

- **Important Dates**

Dean/Chair Nomination Letter Receipt: **July 31, 2017**

Mandatory Information Sessions (attend one): **August 7 and August 10, 2017**

Application Receipt: **October 2, 2017**

Scientific Peer Review: **October 2017**

Applicant Finalists Selection: **November 14, 2017**

Finalist Face-to-Face Interviews: **November-December, 2017**

Study Section: **December, 2017**

Award Selection: **December, 2017**

Award JIT: **January, 2018**

Award Announcement: **January, 2018**

- **Nomination Letter**

Deans or chairs may nominate **2** candidates, and are strongly encouraged to consider well qualified applicants who meet the NIH definition of Traditionally Underrepresented Groups (January, 2015). Directors of institutes or centers may NOT submit nominations.

1. The letter must acknowledge 75% protected time for the applicant (or 50% for surgical appointments or faculty in procedure-intensive specialties).
2. The letter must also stipulate commitment to the long-term career development of the applicant.
3. The letter must include a research abstract outlining the long-term goals and short-term specific aims of the applicant's proposed research, with enough detail to identify potential reviewers.
4. The letter must include the names of at least two committed mentors (ideally from different disciplines) to assist in the research and career development of the applicant. Note: mentors will be required to document completion of formal mentor training, either through ICTR, or via an asynchronous method. <http://cimerproject.org/#/resources/index>
5. The letter must be signed by the chair or dean and the applicant, copying division chiefs if applicable.
6. Send nomination letters to **Ana Garić**, ana.garic@wisc.edu

- **Application (Specific details to follow)**

- Applicant information, Research project details and NIH required information
- Applicant current CV
- Applicant NIH biosketch with Other Support
- Competency self-evaluation
- Mentor information
- Candidate Statement
- Individualized Career Development Plan
- Description of Mentor Support
- Research Plan
- Human Subjects (it is part of No. 1.)
- Mentors letter of commitment



- Mentors NIH Biosketch and completed training
- Chair or Dean letter of support (not the nomination letter)
- References (at least 2)
- Appendix - optional (2 publications in your research area)
- Applicant demographics

Questions involving the application or review process should be directed to Ana Garić, ana.garic@wisc.edu or 265-1861.