

KURe

Multidisciplinary K12 Urologic Research Career Development Program

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Invitation to submit a Letter of Intent

Interested in becoming a KURe Scholar?

Underrepresented Minorities are especially encouraged to inquire

The Duke KURe Program is a K12 institutional career development grant funded by the NIH/NIDDK. We seek qualified clinical, translational, and basic science researchers from diverse disciplines with an interest in benign urological diseases. KURe Scholars will receive mentored support to develop the skills necessary to initiate and sustain an independent research career using collaborative, multidisciplinary approaches to benign urological research questions.

The KURe is open to all types of disciplines, clinicians and non-clinicians with doctoral degrees, interested in pursuing a research career addressing benign urological research questions. Scholars should have no more than five years of postdoctoral research experience and not more than 10 years should have elapsed since receiving the terminal doctoral degree. Mid-career and senior faculty are not eligible. Scholars must be US citizens or have a valid green card.

KURe scholars will receive mentoring, career development training, and salary support up to \$100,000 per year. The program also provides up to \$40,000 to support research related activities, supplies, equipment, technical personnel, tuition for didactic or career development courses, and travel to research meetings. Scholars must dedicate 75% (9 person months) of full professional effort (except surgical specialties; 50% effort, 6 person months) to research and professional development related to their KURe project. Scholars are expected to publish and obtain independent grant funding by year 3. Maximum support is for 5 years. Research areas must be related to the mission of the NIDDK.

Please submit a letter of intent at your earliest convenience. The Letter is not binding, and does not enter into the review of your application. It allows for confirmation of eligibility and for discussion of career goals, mentors, and projects with the applicant. Submit your letter early to have more time for discussions and questions. You will receive notification when to submit a full application.

The letter of intent should be e-mailed to the Program Director and Program Coordinator and must include the following information:

1. Applicant's full name, Degree(s) and date(s) awarded
If MD with residency (and clinical fellowship), then also include completion dates of residency and fellowship if applicable.
2. Citizenship or Visa status
3. Department, Division, School, Academic rank and position
4. NIH Biosketch
5. Project Title and a two-sentence description of the research project
6. Brief description of the planned project (no more than one page)
7. Brief description of professional development goals (no more than one page)
8. Proposed mentor(s): Name(s), Discipline/Research Interest, Department, Division, School.
(see website for possible mentors: KURe.medschool.duke.edu)

We encourage you to contact the Program Director or Program Coordinator with any questions.

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