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 currently 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 $140,000 per year. The program also provides up to $55,000 to support research related activities, supplies, equipment, tuition for didactic or career development courses, and travel to research meetings. Scholars must dedicate 75% of full professional effort (9 person months; 50% effort, 6 person months for surgical specialties) 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. You will receive notification when to submit a full application. Underrepresented Minorities are especially encouraged to apply. Duke University offers equal opportunity to all applicants without regard to race, color, creed, sex, age, handicaps or national origin.

The letter of intent should be 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, then also include when you finished residency
2. Department, Division, School, Academic rank and position
3. NIH Biosketch
4. Project Title and a two-sentence description of the research project
5. Brief description of the planned project (no more than one page)
6. Brief description of professional development goals (no more than one page)
7. Proposed mentor(s), at least one of whom is from the list of approved mentors
   (see website: KURe.medschool.duke.edu)

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

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