



Duke Scholars in Molecular Medicine

Request for Proposals 2019 Borden Scholar Awards

Duke Scholars in Molecular Medicine (DSMM) is pleased to announce its call for translational research proposals for the 2019 Borden Scholar awards. This award is made possible from a generous gift from Dr. and Mrs. Ernest and Louise Borden (Duke Medical and Nursing School alumni).

We are looking for outstanding translational research ideas. The scope of the project is up to you. This does not necessarily need to be a project you will complete, but rather, an opportunity to propose a translational research idea that bridges your own research experience and knowledge with clinical problems you have observed while participating in the DSMM program. Ideally, these translational projects would stem from a clinical problem you have directly observed in your DSMM clinics and/or seminars.

We plan to make five awards: awardees will become “Borden Scholars” and will win a cash prize of \$1,500 (*award money will be taxed*)

Please submit a three-page (maximum) research proposal. The proposal should include the following sections:

- BACKGROUND
 - o Identification and description of a clinical problem
 - o Previous Relevant Work
- OBJECTIVE AND HYPOTHESIS
- APPROACH
 - o Specific Aims
 - o Experimental Design and Methods
 - o Description of animal models or human subjects, as relevant
- INNOVATION AND SIGNIFICANCE
- References are required but are not included in the 3 page limit)

Please submit your application to nancie.maciver@duke.edu

Deadline: Proposals must be received by 11:59PM EST, Friday, February 1, 2019

Selection process for awards: Proposals will be reviewed by the DSMM co-Directors. Awardees will be announced in early March.