

GASTRIC CANCER FOUNDATION

2024 SEED GRANTS FOR EARLY-STAGE RESEARCH

OBJECTIVE	Provide seed funding for early-stage research projects centered around the discovery of novel therapies, treatment regimens or diagnostics for early detection of gastric cancer.
AMOUNT OF GRANT	One-time grant up to \$100,000 (inclusive of maximum 10% utilized for indirect costs) Up to 2 grants will be awarded in 2024.
APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently working in a faculty position at an academic, medical or research institution in the United States • While there are no citizenship requirements, the applicant must have the legal right to work in the U.S. for the duration of the award • Have independent laboratory space as confirmed by their institution • Seed grants in this program will not be awarded to the same institution in consecutive years. <p>The Foundation invites applications from all eligible researchers. We particularly encourage applications from junior faculty who earned their final degree (MD or PhD) within the last ten years.</p>
APPLICATION PROCESS & DEADLINES	<p>By March 29 Letter of Intent Submit by email to: grants@gastriccancer.org</p> <p>Project title and one-page summary project description which clearly explains the focus of the investigation and its importance to gastric cancer. Please provide a concise overview of planned research activities, desired outcomes, and credentials of the investigators. The applicant's NIH Biosketch must be provided with the LOI.</p> <p>By April 24 Invitation to Submit Application After review of LOIs, select projects will receive invitations to submit full applications. (Note: No more than one project per institution will be invited to submit an application)</p> <p>By June 14 Grant Application Deadline Submit by email to: grants@gastriccancer.org</p> <p>Applications will be reviewed and rated by scientific advisors. The GCF Board of Directors will make final grant decisions.</p> <p>Grant awards will be announced no later than September 30. Funds will become available in October 2024 following mutual acceptance of grant agreements.</p>

GRANT APPLICATION	<p>If LOI is selected, the full application should <u>follow the format of the R21 NIH Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Award</u> and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project title • Summary of research project, why it is important and future implications • How will this project improve treatment options for patients and help in developing a cure for gastric cancer? • Project timeline • How a grant will help the project • Budget for full project and description of how GCF funds will be utilized • Other funders (committed and being pursued) • Reference letter from Dean/Department Chair • Investigator CVs
OTHER REQUIREMENTS	<p>Grant recipient is expected to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a summary report of the use of funds, research results and next steps at conclusion of project. If project timeline is longer than a year, then annual summary report(s) should be provided. • Pursue the presentation/publication of results from the project. Notify the Gastric Cancer Foundation of published research. • Acknowledge support of the Gastric Cancer Foundation in presentations/publications.
QUESTIONS	<p>Contact stacie@gastriccancer.org</p>