



Collaborating for the Advancement of Interdisciplinary Research in Benign Urology



CAIRIBU Interactions Core

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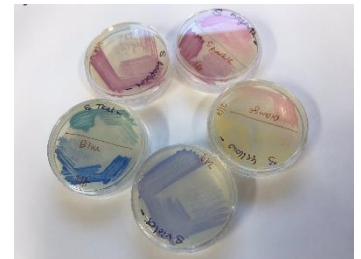
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CAIRIBU Research Training & Development Grants

The CAIRIBU Interactions Core, the coordinating center for a community of investigators engaged in non-malignant genitourinary research, is charged with promoting interactions, knowledge exchange, and research collaborations aimed at understanding and solving genitourinary tract diseases, disorders, and dysfunction. **An important mechanism for advancing science in these areas is to share knowledge of research techniques and technologies and to introduce new experimental approaches into urology and genitourinary research efforts.**

The purpose of **CAIRIBU Research Training & Development Grants (RTDG)** is to provide urology and genitourinary investigators with funds related to specific and unique training or learning opportunities, activities, and/or events that improve their research skills and knowledge, advance investigators' careers in research, and/or strengthen individuals' institutional programs. While available to all investigators, priority will be given to more junior faculty and trainees.



Appropriate applications to the CAIRIBU Research Training & Development Grants program will describe expenses related to limited-term training with an expert, such as to learn a specific research methodology, technique, or process. Other RTDG applications may request support for the formation and/or development of interdisciplinary research collaborations or research consortia or for research project development.

CAIRIBU Community Urology Centers funded by the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) include the George M. O'Brien Urology Cooperative (U54) Research Centers, the Fostering Research With Additional Resources and Development P20 Urology Centers, the and urology-focused K12 Career Development Programs: the Multidisciplinary K12 Urologic Research and Urological Epidemiology Institutional Research Career Development Programs.

ELIGIBILITY

Investigators and trainees in currently-funded U54 Urology O'Brien Centers, Urology P20 Centers, or Urology K12 Career Development Programs are eligible to apply. Research assistants or laboratory technicians at currently funded CAIRIBU Centers or Programs are also eligible to apply. Finally, investigators or trainees who are not part of currently-funded CAIRIBU Centers or Programs but who are involved in CAIRIBU research interest groups or other CAIRIBU Community initiatives are eligible to apply so long as they propose to train or collaborate with others within the CAIRIBU Community.

PROCESS

Amount of award. Awardees may receive up to \$5,000 per activity. Funds will support travel-related expenses (e.g., transportation, parking, lodging, and meal per diems as calculated using the current US General Services Administration meals and incidental expenses rates) as well as expenses required for research- and/or collaboration-building. These may include cost of materials needed for the project, sample or data acquisition, sample or data preparation and processing, and data analysis.

Application review. Applications will undergo review based on: (1) potential to positively impact the applicant's career or his/her institutional research program; (2) degree to which the opportunity is unique and non-overlapping with the applicant's previous experiences (3) degree to which opportunity will benefit future urology research; (4) appropriateness of budget (e.g., funds may not support the host investigator's effort or laboratory expenses); and (5) availability of funds.

Application submission. Complete the application and provide the requested materials. These include an NIH-style biosketch, itinerary or schedule of proposed activities, and statement of anticipated outcomes. Submit application on the CAIRIBU log-in portal. To request access, and for more information, contact the CAIRIBU Interactions Core at CAIRIBU@urology.wisc.edu.