

DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE WOHLGEMUTH CARDIOLOGY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

The Department of Medicine Wohlgemuth Cardiology Research Fellowship supports promising investigators and innovative research related to heart disease. This request for proposals is targeted at trainees, early career faculty or later stage faculty newly pursuing research to provide funds for highly meritorious, milestone-driven research that will enhance the awardee's competitiveness for future extramural funding proposals and research productivity. Grants will support research focused on the causes, mechanisms, epidemiology, prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease. Applications focused on basic/translational science, health services, and clinical research will be accepted.

Eligibility

Principal investigators (PIs) must be full-time (0.75 FTE or greater), Department of Medicine trainees or faculty in any Division. Trainees who are eligible include postdoctoral (e.g., PhD or MD) and clinical fellows (e.g., MD, DO). Faculty members are eligible who are assistant professors in their first 5 years of their faculty appointment or associate professor rank initiating a research project for the first time since their appointment.

Award Budget and Project Period

Applicants may request up to \$40,000 total for a period of up to 2 years. Funds may be used to support salary/benefits for faculty, staff and/or trainees with a primary appointment in the Department of Medicine, equipment essential for completion of the proposed studies, and other study related expenses specific to the project/field of study. Funds should be expended to support personnel of, and studies conducted at the University of Vermont and/or the University of Vermont Health Network when possible. If the PI's research focuses on conducting studies outside of these structures, exceptions can be made to this stipulation with prior approval. Please contact the Vice Chair for Research (Dr. Michael Toth; michael.toth@med.uvm.edu) for approval of such expenditures prior to submission.

Submission Deadlines

Letter of Intent - August 15, 2024,

All applicants must submit their letter of intent to Michael O'Sullivan (Michael.J.OSullivan@med.uvm.edu) and Gretchen Argraves (gretchen.argraves@med.uvm.edu). The LOI should include the expected title of the application and will be used to assist with identification of peer review expertise.

Full Application - October 1, 2024

All applications materials must be submitted electronically as a single PDF file by **11:59 PM on October 1, 2024**. Late applications will not be accepted. Applicants are encouraged to discuss the content and suitability of their proposals with the Vice Chair for Research (michael.toth@med.uvm.edu). Details on the application are provided [here](#).

Application Review Information

Applications are subject to competitive review by the Department of Medicine Research Committee overseen by the Vice Chair for Research. Each application will be reviewed by multiple committee members and/or external reviewers. The Chair of the Research Committee will report all applicants' scores to the Department Chair who will make the final funding decision. In all cases, major consideration will be given to 1) the ability of the funds to strengthen future extramural funding applications and advance the applicant's research program, 2) the potential of the existing and proposed research program, and 3) the investigator's experience, productivity, and potential.