

Announcing the 2019/2020 TRO Program.....PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

**TARGETED RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES
School of Medicine, 2019/2020**

The School of Medicine, in conjunction with the Office of the Vice-President for Research and the Stony Brook University Cancer Center are pleased to announce the availability of competitive awards in support of research areas targeted by recent and ongoing philanthropic support. **Carol M. Baldwin Foundation for Breast Cancer Research** will support four \$35,000 per annum, two-year awards. The Baldwin Awards are intended to advance research on Breast Cancer research on campus. The priority will be given to investigators who have outstanding research proposals in breast cancer and for whom the Award will allow the development of competitive extramural funding, NCI preferred. Therefore, the review process will evaluate the scientific merit, the direct relevance to breast cancer research, and the likelihood of transformation to an NCI grant. Additional criteria include the translational aspects to the proposed studies and the collaborative nature of the proposal. Funding for year 2 is contingent on the successful applicants presenting at the annual Breast Cancer Research Retreat and approval by the selection committee. One of the 4 awards will be dedicated to clinical research. Up to four \$40,000/year **Fusion Awards** are offered for research projects that emphasize translational, interdisciplinary and/or community-based research (see Fusion Award description). The **Catacosinos Cancer Translational Researcher Award** will provide \$30,000. The **Walk-for-Beauty Foundation** will support one \$35,000 project focused on breast cancer (if sufficient funds become available, a second proposal will be awarded). The **Clinical Research Awards** (\$40,000/year) are designed to support health services evaluation and/or outcomes data in clinical departments.

Award funds are to be used in support of research efforts targeting the areas specified by donor individuals and/or groups. Except for the Clinical Research Awards (see description), awards specifically prohibit faculty salary support in any form, and will not pay travel, conference fees, memberships, subscriptions, and indirect/administrative costs. Other restrictions on the use of the funds may apply. Contact the Office of Scientific Affairs if you have further questions. The application process is simple and instructions are provided. **All faculty holding academic rank who have not received a TRO within the last three years in the category for which they are applying are eligible.** *Only one application per faculty will be accepted.* Awards will be activated on or about July 1, 2019. All annual increments of funding are to be expended within 18 months of activation. Awardees agree to provide a synopsis of the research accomplished during the first 12 months of the award period (and/or a final report for awards of two-year duration) via the TRO Central reporting system. [Carol M. Baldwin Foundation awardees may be required to submit an additional 6-month progress report.]

Targeted Opportunity	# of Awards	Total Amount (per year)	Award Period (years)
Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Awards <i>Awardees must present at the Annual Breast Cancer Retreat. Second year funds are contingent upon approval by the selected committee.</i>	4	\$ 35,000 *	2
Catacosinos Cancer Translational Researcher Award	1	\$ 30,000 **	1
Fusion Awards <i>2 Fusion Awards will be awarded with a possible of 2 additional contingents to funding.</i>	2	\$ 40,000***	2
Walk-for-Beauty Foundation Research Award (breast or prostate cancer)	1	\$ 35,000*	1
Clinical Research Awards	2	\$ 40,000*	2

* requires a \$10,000 per year match from dept.; ** requires a \$5,000 match from dept., VPR has pledged \$5,000 additional match; *** requires \$5,000 per year match from each of two departments or institutions

Time line:	Submission of completed application:	May 10, 2019 (5:00 p.m.)
	Notice of award (on or about)	July 1, 2019

Please submit completed application in PDF format indicating the category of choice. Please follow the TRO application guide when submitting your application. Deadline to submit is 5:00 p.m. on May 10, 2019.

Link to OSA Website for TRO information: <http://osa.stonybrookmedicine.edu/programs/targeted-research-opportunity>