

## RFA for Pilot Project funding for CDCB/OCSSB faculty

The purpose of this Pilot Project funding mechanism is to cultivate collaborative research projects designed that merge biology with technology and that emerge from ideas exchanged as a result of the CDCB/OCSSB joint retreat. The ultimate goal of the pilot funding mechanism is to assist in the generation of preliminary data leading up to peer-reviewed national funding. This mechanism is intended to support fundamental biologic mechanisms that underlie insights into human health or disease. Scientific excellence will be the key review element for all applications. Interdisciplinary research, in which investigators from CDCB and OCSSB collaborate to bring unique approaches to the biologic problem, is required.

### Award Opportunities:

- Up to three \$50,000 (direct costs for two year) awards - The project must demonstrate potential advancement of fundamental human health or disease related biologic mechanisms.
- Eligibility: CDCB and OCSSB investigators at the rank of assistant professor or higher. Pilot grants are intended to support new and innovative projects. Projects may be an extension of other work, but cannot overlap with any funded project or be used as bridging support for projects for which funding has lapsed. We encourage applications from junior and senior investigators, with the purpose to foster collaborative exploration of new areas and ideas with high potential for impact on basic understanding of cancer, including incorporation of emerging technology.

Allowable costs: Personnel (other than PI), supplies, travel, and other expenses such as biostatistics and informatics support. Equipment that is essential for the study, and is not otherwise available, may be requested.

Key Dates: Application deadline: **August 15, 2014**

Email a single pdf with all application materials to Jennifer Beck ([becje@ohsu.edu](mailto:becje@ohsu.edu))

**Three pilot grants** will be awarded that result from collaborative projects designed around ideas exchanged as a result of the CDCB/OCSSB joint retreat. **Two different mechanisms will be awarded.**

1. Each presenting PI is asked to present a single slide conceptualizing a collaborative project between their laboratory and a CDCB/OCSSB laboratory. Two pilot projects will be invited for full application. One project will be awarded (50% payline!). Please use attached pptx slide format to present collaborative pilot for consideration of this mechanism.
2. Two pilot projects that display new collaborative interactions that stem from CDCB/OCSSB retreat interactions.

All submitted applications must follow the guidelines below:

\$50,000/year for two years. Collaborative investigators must be PIs. Projects must include at least one PI from CDCB(or associated with) and one from OCSSB. Research should merge biology and technology, and should address human health or disease. Submit a single pdf file that contains the following:

- 1) research proposal, including a) application title, b) collaborative investigators, c) specific aims/hypothesis, d) significance/impact, e)research plan), 3 pages max.
- 2) budget
- 3) biosketches from key personnel
- 4) letter from department chairs stating that they acknowledge there will not be indirect recovery associated to funding.