

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

(by invitation only)

College of Medicine Enhancement of Team Science (COMETS)

Rationale and Requirements: The College of Medicine has established a funding program targeted to active mid-career and senior investigators with strong funding and publication histories, a record of valuable service to MUSC, and difficulty obtaining R01 (or equivalent) support in the past 18-24 months. The funding program will support newly established research teams of two faculty members with different but complementary expertise to conduct basic, translational, or clinical research. Priority is for research conducted in areas consistent with the MUSC Health Strategic areas. Team members may have faculty appointments (Associate or Full Professor) in the same or different departments. The long-term goal is for both team members to successfully compete for R01 support.

Funds Available: \$150,000/year

Duration: Two years

Progress Reports and Oversight: Progress reports at 6-month intervals will report publication preparation and submissions and grant preparation and submissions. The expectation is that two NIH R01 or equivalent proposals and two publications will be submitted (one from each PI) by the end of the funding period.

Timeline:

- Application Deadline TBD
- Review and award - TBD

Application: (One PDF)

Components:

6 page limit:

- Specific Aims
- Significance and Innovation
- Approach

Additional:

- Facilities
- Clinical or public health relevance and relation to strategic mission
- Team science justification and multiple PI plan
- Six-month and 1-year milestones for publications and grant submissions
- NIH biosketches
- Two recent summary statements
- Budget (NIH page 4 and 5, initial year and total budget period) *
- Budget justification
- Letter of support from chair(s)
- Names and contact information for 3 intramural or extramural reviewers

* Up to \$20,000 per year (total includes benefits) may apply toward PI salary support.

Note: Timeline and due dates subject to change.