Translational Neuroscience Center Request for Proposals

New Research in Sturge-Weber Syndrome*

Pilot Project Funding Opportunity:

In collaboration with the F.M. Kirby Center for Neurobiology and the Department of Neurology, the Translational Neuroscience Center at Boston Children’s Hospital requests proposals for pilot projects for the development of viable animal models for Sturge-Weber Syndrome with the potential to screen new drug targets for this disease.

Projects should be designed with a goal of developing new therapeutic models, based on the recent discovery of the SWS gene and to generate the preliminary data needed to secure external funding.

All investigators with academic appointments at Boston Children’s Hospital are invited to apply. Priority will be given to early and mid-career investigators who seek to form new collaborations with colleagues in other disciplines. Please include investigator biosketch and other funding support.

Funding up to $80,000 in direct costs available for each of two awards, for a duration of two years (i.e. $40,000 per year).

Please submit a letter of intent to apply, including a brief description of the proposed project not to exceed one page by December 15, 2016 to tnc@childrens.harvard.edu

Questions? Contact: Mustafa Sahin or Robin Kleiman

The Translational Neuroscience Center (TNC) at Boston Children’s Hospital provides a unique environment for physicians and/or scientists dedicated to improving the lives of children with neurological disorders through inter-disciplinary collaborations based on the latest scientific discoveries.

Mission

- Accelerate the translation of research discoveries into new cures for pediatric nervous system disorders
- Develop effective new strategies for disease prevention and treatment through collaboration among Children’s Hospital’s world-renowned basic scientists, and in partnership with the external drug discovery community.
- Train future leaders in pediatric translational neuroscience
- Share new models of interdisciplinary translational medicine in pediatric neuroscience with local, national and international collaborators.

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