

FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES  
UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Interdisciplinary cancer research seed funding**

The Cancer Research Initiative wishes to encourage interdisciplinary research by offering seed funding for collaborative interdisciplinary research projects. The funding is intended to enable groups of researchers from different scientific domains (basic, clinical and public health sciences) to work together and obtain preliminary data needed for larger competitive interdisciplinary cancer research grant submissions.

This call is not aimed at rewarding collaborative research that is already being conducted. However researchers could expand on existing cancer research projects and include a researcher/s from other scientific domains to address a new research question. Funds may be targeted as needed in order to conduct the project

Awards will be made to 2 *new* cancer research projects to a maximum of R50 000 per project.

**ELIGIBILITY**

- To be eligible for the funding, project teams must include researchers from two or more scientific domains i.e. basic, clinical or public health science.
- Any group of staff members in the Faculty of Health Sciences may apply. T1 and T2 staff are eligible, however the duration of the proposed project should fall within the duration of their contract.

**SUBMISSION**

- Short proposal to include:
  - Title, aims and objectives, outline of methods (1-2 pages)
  - Project team members: name, scientific domain represented, clearly state the role of each team member (half a page)
  - Timeline and estimated budget (half a page)
  - Summary of plans to use research results for larger grant submissions (maximum 1 page)Please use Arial size 11 or Times New Roman size 12, single spacing
- Emphasis must be given to how the project will be used for larger interdisciplinary grant submissions

**EVALAUTION**

Projects will be evaluated on 2 criteria:

1. Technical quality and feasibility
2. Potential to receive external funding

Please email applications to Vedantha Singh at [vedantha.singh@uct.ac.za](mailto:vedantha.singh@uct.ac.za) by **15 October 2015**  
We anticipate that funding decisions will be made by November 2015