RESEARCH CORPORATION FOR SCIENCE ADVANCEMENT
Singular Exceptional Endeavors of Discovery (SEED) Award
2020 SEED Award Application

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Principal Investigator: Phone:
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Institution Name: Appointment Date:
Institution Address: (First faculty position; must be 2008 or earlier)

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: (All academic degrees, postdoctoral appointments, PhD and postdoctoral mentors, previous employment dates and locations. Example: YYYY – Current Institution, Department, City, State, Position; YYYY – YYYY Institution, Department, City, State, Degree, Mentor.)

PROPOSAL TITLE: (Must fit on two lines and not exceed 130 characters.)

ABSTRACT: (In the following space, provide a summary of your research or educational plan; clearly identify your innovative untested ideas and potentially transformative outcomes. Maximum 250 words.)
PUBLICATIONS OF PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR. List all within last five years (no abstracts, talks, or conference proceedings); include all authors and titles. For papers with more than 10 authors, list only the corresponding author(s) and your rank among all authors; e.g. 52 out of 200. Attach additional pages as necessary. Use Arial 11 point font.
FINANCIAL SUPPORT. List all your current internal and external grants and all your submitted proposals under consideration. Include titles, period of support, and dollar amounts. Indicate their relationship, if any, with this submission. Attach additional pages as necessary.
PROPOSED PLAN

STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM, ITS INNOVATIVE ASPECTS, AND YOUR PLAN OF PROCEDURE. State succinctly the problem that is to be addressed during the two-year duration of the SEED Award. Clearly outline the importance of the problem, giving special emphasis to new promising activities and out-of-the-box ideas. Provide a compelling statement for how this seed grant (if funded) will lay the groundwork for attracting additional funding for project development. Give an overview of the broader significance as well as the potential high impact of your plan. No preliminary results are required. Use Arial 11 point font. Do not use more than three pages.
LETTERS OF COLLABORATION. If the plan described above requires work from in-house or external collaborators, please insert letters of collaboration following the LIST OF REFERENCES.
LIST OF REFERENCES. Annotate the proposal with a list of references from the primary literature. Include all authors and titles. If more space is required, attach a maximum of two additional pages. Use Arial 11 point font.
LIST OF REVIEWERS. The reviewer list should include at least six individuals who are experts in the area of your proposed plan and will be able to evaluate its merit, innovative aspects and potentially transformative impact. We may also select reviewers of our choice. Please include complete names (initials are not enough), titles, mailing addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses. Note briefly the nature and extent of your interactions with each of the suggested reviewers; e.g., met at a meeting, interviewed with, no interaction, never met, etc. Use Arial 11 point font. Limit to one page.
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Conditions of Research Corporation for Science Advancement’s Cottrell Scholar Award

A RESEARCH CORPORATION FOR SCIENCE ADVANCEMENT (RCSA) AWARD is a contribution to the scientific and academic program of the institution and is to be used for support of work described in the application prepared by the principal investigator and adopted by the institution.

Since scholarly activities by their discovery nature are unpredictable and may require adaptations in order to exploit promising leads, the principal investigator should feel free to make changes in the emphasis or direction of the work as it progresses. If major changes are contemplated, prior approval should be obtained.

Financial and scientific reports prepared on the foundation’s forms are absolutely required. The first report is due within 30 calendar days of the 12-month anniversary of the award start date. The final report is due within 30 calendar days of the 36-month anniversary of the award start date. Failure to provide the first annual report may result in suspension of the award and a request to return unspent funds. Failure to provide the final report will result in suspension of the institution from participation in RCSA programs.

The principal investigator is urged to publish the findings in the appropriate scientific journals, acknowledging the support of Research Corporation for Science Advancement.

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APPLICANT NAME: ________________________________

PROJECT TITLE: ________________________________

SUBMITTED BY: ________________________________

(INSTITUTION)

Name of institution adopting and assuming responsibility for the above project, believing the principal investigator is qualified to conduct the project, and accepting the Conditions of Award, if an award is approved.

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SIGNATURE OF FINANCIAL OFFICER: ________________________________ DATE ____________

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SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR: ________________________________ DATE ____________

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