

Lurie Cancer Center Translational Bridge Program New awards in lung cancer

In conjunction with the Chicago Fire Department (CFD), with which the Lurie Cancer Center has recently established an affiliation, the LCC is offering new Translational Bridge Awards to support studies that explore the high incidence of lung cancer among members of the CFD and that have the potential to ultimately reduce the burden of lung cancer in this population. Funding for two awards, to support two postdoctoral fellows, is available. The postdoctoral fellow must conduct a study under the joint direction of at least two mentors who work, variously, in the following areas: 1) clinical care, 2) laboratory research, or 3) cancer prevention/control/survivorship. Awardees will have access to relevant Chicago Fire Department data as needed. Joint mentorship must be implemented via monthly meetings between the Bridge Fellow and his/her mentors. Evaluation to measure progress and assess research outcomes will occur on a quarterly basis.

Applications, which should be submitted by the laboratory or population scientist who will be mentoring the Bridge Fellow, are limited to two pages, including abstract, background, specific aims, research plan, potential beneficial impact of the proposed study, and possible interactions with the CFD. Preliminary data are not required, and the Bridge Fellow does not need to be identified in the application. Investigators funded though this mechanism are required to present research findings at the Lurie Cancer Center's Annual Translational Cancer Center Symposium and must submit a complete progress report at the end of the funding period.

Applications, including investigators' biosketches, should be submitted electronically to Benette Philips, PhD, schallma@northwestern.edu, by Monday, April 16, 2018.

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