

April 26, 2004

Dear Cancer Center Member:

We will have 2-3 pre- and 2-3 postdoctoral fellowships in the Cancer Biology Training Program (CaBioTP) available beginning July 1, 2004 or later. Trainees are funded through several mechanisms: NCI, Loeb, and Cancer Center funds. U.S. citizens (or permanent resident aliens) are eligible for positions on PHS training grants, but the other funds can be used to support non-citizens. Both M.D. and Ph.D. postdocs are eligible for funding.

Please note that for predoctoral candidates, only students who begin their **second or third** year of training this fall are eligible.

The enclosed page gives the details of the funding mechanisms for this round of applications. The CaBioTP Steering Committee will make the determination as to which mechanism is appropriate for each candidate. Funding decisions will be based on the qualifications of the trainee and the cancer relevance and scientific quality of the project. With regard to the former, a strong course background in cancer biology-related topics, including Cancer Biology 553, will carry significant weight. **We strongly encourage nominations of underrepresented minority trainees.**

Applicants who receive funding are required to participate in the Cancer Biology Journal Club, take or audit 553 (or have done so prior to appointment), associate with one of the UMCCC Clinical Programs, and attend ethics training sessions as required by the NIH. In addition, we ask that postdoctoral trainees continue to apply for individual support.

If you are interested in nominating a candidate for one of these positions, please submit the following information (in addition to your nomination letter) by May 26, 2004:

1. The attached cover sheet, filled out completely.
2. Curriculum vitae of the prospective candidate with up to three reprints of current research.
3. Letter of nomination from mentor.
4. Two additional letters of recommendation. For postdocs, at least one letter should be from outside the university, preferably from the person's thesis advisor.
5. Graduate transcripts (an unofficial copy is fine) and GRE scores for pre-docs.
6. A 4-5 page description of the research project, written by the prospective trainee. This should include background, aims, and a concise description of the experimental approach. References can be an additional 1-2 pages. Please detail the cancer relevance of the project.
7. The mentor's NIH biosketch and other support pages.

Letters can be sent directly to Ms. Rexer-Bluhm or can be attached to the application. **There should be one original and 10 copies of each letter, whether sent directly to Ms. Rexer-Bluhm, or attached to the application.** Please make sure when you request the letter of reference, you ask the writer to include all copies in addition to the original.

If you have applied for funding from another source, a copy of that application will suffice in place of this application (replaces #6 above) as long as it contains all the relevant information. Please add a paragraph on cancer relevance if not included, already.

Please submit the original and 10 copies of the application and ALL materials to:

Mary K. Rexer-Bluhm
UM Cancer Center
6215 CGC, Box 0944

We look forward to receiving your nominations. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Imperiale, Ph.D.
Director, Cancer Biology Training Program

Funding Source	# of positions	Length of funding	Start date	Stipend/benefits
CANCER BIOLOGY TRAINING GRANT	1 predoc	1-2 yrs	July 1st or later	\$20,772 + 2 1/2 terms tuition
CANCER BIOLOGY TRAINING GRANT	2 postdocs	1-2 yrs	July 1st or later	stipend based on years experience + single person medical insurance
LOEB	1 predoc	1 yr.	Sept. 1	\$18,000 stipend no tuition
CANCER CENTER	1 postdoc or 1 predoc	1 yr.	July 1 or later	Postdoc: \$25,000 salary fringes paid by own dept Predoc: Up to \$25,000 support to cover stipend and tuition

Clinical Science Division Programs:

Leukemia/Lymphoma - BMT
Breast Oncology
Prostate/Urologic Oncology
Thoracic Oncology
Gastrointestinal Oncology
Cutaneous Oncology
Childhood Cancers
Head and Neck Oncology
Connective Tissue Oncology

CANCER BIOLOGY TRAINING PROGRAM
2004 Application for Funding

Name of Applicant: _____

Title of Proposal: _____

Department or Graduate Program: _____

Campus Address and Box: _____

Applicant's Email Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Citizenship Status: _____

I am applying for a **predoc** fellowship _____

Predocs please indicate year of study and when you achieved/will achieve candidacy: _____

I am applying for a **postdoc** fellowship _____

Postdocs, please indicate M.D. or Ph.D, and month and year you received your graduate degree:

Mentor's Name and Department: _____

Mentor's Email Address: _____

If you have ever been funded by another NIH training grant at Michigan, please specify:

Please indicate the Cancer Center Clinical Program that is most relevant to your research:

Signatures and date:

Applicant _____

Printed:

Mentor _____
