



THE SONTAG FOUNDATION

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

DISTINGUISHED SCIENTIST ALUMNI AWARD

The Foundation Board of Directors has approved funding for 5- \$100,000, alumni awards. DSA alumni who are currently receiving funding from the Sontag Foundation or are on a no-cost extension are not eligible to apply. Five proposals will be selected by lottery during the 2024 Scientific Retreat held February 12-15, 2024. Applicants must be present at this Retreat to receive the award.

Project description:

The scope of the project is intentionally broad. Proposals might include requests for follow-on funding for past DSA funded projects; high-risk research that would not typically be funded through federal grant programs; preliminary data necessary to submit applications for follow-on funding; or projects to help de-risk technologies that are aligned with the Sontag Innovation Fund mission.

Examples of potential topics might include, but should not be limited to:

- Creation or identification of novel devices, platforms, technologies, analytics, or biomarkers that will lead to better diagnosis and treatment of brain tumors;
- Developing novel qualitative methods that integrate data to better predict patient outcomes or recommend treatment course;
- Testing and validating novel models (including large animals) to test therapeutics

Grant start and end date

April 1, 2024 - March, 31, 2025

Proposal Requirements:

Please try to keep the proposal to two-pages with normal margins and 12-point font.

Proposal should include:

- Title
- Impact Statement
- Project Narrative (no more than 500 words)
- Specific aim(s) (One sentence per aim, full description not necessary)
- Brief statement explaining what the funding will help the PI to accomplish and significance to the field.
- Statement of institutional support (unofficial) and budget outlining expenditures, no indirects allowed.

Application deadline

December 15, 2023

email to: skoler@sontagfoundation.org

Awardees must attend the 2024-2025 Scientific Retreat as a condition of receipt.

Retreat expenses will be paid for by The Sontag Foundation per DSA program guidelines.