

Caltech | Funding Memo

Title: Postdoctoral Fellowships

Funding Agency: American Cancer Society

External Deadline(s):

10/16/2023 08:59 PM PDT (Full Proposal)

Cognizant Office: Office of Sponsored Research/Office of Foundation Relations

Description:

The American Cancer Society (ACS) offers Postdoctoral Fellowships to support a program of research training and study to enable a new investigator to qualify for an independent career in cancer research.

Frequency: Typically offered multiple times per year

Total Award: \$217,500

- Awards cover \$66,000, \$68,000, and \$70,000 for the first, second, and third years respectively. Fellows eligible for only two years may request progressive stipends of \$68,000 and \$70,000, respectively.
 - The annual stipend must be used solely for the salary support of the fellow.
- Each fellow will also receive \$4,000 per year during the fellowship plus \$1,500 in the last year.
 - The annual allowance may be used to help defray costs incurred for the benefit of the fellow.
 - Examples of such costs are health insurance, workshop costs and expenses associated with presenting at a domestic scientific meeting(s).
 - The additional \$1,500 in the last year is to be prioritized for travel costs to attend the American Cancer Society Jiler Professors and Fellows Conference, if offered that year, or expenses associated with presenting at another domestic scientific meeting.

Indirect Costs: Not Allowed

- This award is considered a “true fellowship” and will not be subject to Caltech’s minimum overhead requirement, however, an approved MORA and DAF are still required.

Duration: 3 years

Discipline(s): Biology and Biological Engineering; Chemistry and Chemical Engineering; Engineering and Applied Science

Eligibility: Postdoc

- It is expected that the fellow will commit 100% effort to this project.
- Applicants must have obtained their doctoral degree prior to activation of the fellowship.

- Duration of fellowship is guided by the following table:

At the time of application, if PhD or MD has been held:	ACS Eligibility (based on application deadline date)
0 to < 3.0 years	3 years
3.0 to < 4.0 years	2 years

- Individuals who have held a PhD or MD for more than 4 years at the time of application generally are not eligible for a fellowship.
- Awardees may not hold Postdoctoral Fellowships from another funding source at the same time as the ACS Award.
- Applicants must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States.
- Unfunded applications for Postdoctoral Fellowships may only be resubmitted once.

Research Areas of Interest:

- All forms of cancer research

Post-Award Obligations:

- Both non-technical and scientific progress reports and final reports are required.

Recent Caltech Recipients:

- Susan Newcomb (Stathopoulos Lab, 2020)
- Noah Ollikainen (Guttman Lab, 2018)
- Eric Welin (Stoltz Lab, 2016)
- Vincent Stepanik (Stathopoulos Lab, 2015)

Guidelines & Other Information:

Overview: <https://www.cancer.org/research/we-fund-cancer-research/apply-research-grant/grant-types/postdoctoral-fellowships.html>

Grant Policies (All Grants): <https://www.cancer.org/content/dam/cancer-org/research/extramural-grants-documents/all-grant-policies.pdf>

Grant Instructions (All Grants): <https://www.cancer.org/content/dam/cancer-org/research/extramural-grants-documents/all-grant-instructions.pdf>

Currently Funded Research: <https://www.cancer.org/research/currently-funded-cancer-research.html>

Please notify the Foundation Relations team if you anticipate making a submission or if you have any questions regarding this opportunity. We are here to help ensure that Caltech's proposals are competitive. We can assist with proposal development and advise you on the routing of your paperwork. Interested researchers should work with their division grant manager to prepare the

budget, the MORA form, and the Division Approval Form (DAF). Submissions and awards for this grant program will be processed through the Office of Sponsored Research.

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