

2009
*Aiming For A Cure Foundation
Grant Opportunity*



A Comprehensive Cancer
Center Designated by the
National Cancer Institute

Deadline: Noon, Wednesday, July 29, 2009

Maximum award limit is \$50,000

Objective

The Aiming For A Cure (AFAC) Foundation supports cancer research with a special interest in, but not limited to, childhood cancers. The maximum award limit will be \$50,000 in total costs in 2009. Any faculty or staff member at the University of Iowa is eligible to apply. The project to be supported will be selected by a peer-review process of all applications submitted to the AFAC Scientific Advisory Board.

The principal investigator must have a full time affiliation with the University of Iowa and will conduct the research project on the UI campus. Non faculty investigators must have a letter of support from a UI faculty sponsor. Funds will not be transferred to another university.

Application Format

The proposal should be single spaced, one-sided, with a minimum of 5/8" margins using a standard black 12 point font with fixed spacing that can be photocopied - Do not reduce the line space or reduce by photocopying. The application should contain:

- 1) **Cover Letter.** *Explaining the relevancy to pediatric cancer research*
- 2) **Title page. Include:** your name, degrees, title, department, address [including e-mail address] and telephone number.
- 3) **Summary page:** Do not exceed ½ of the page length to include project title, specific aims, methods, and anticipated outcomes.
- 4) **Research Proposal.** The narrative portion is set at a maximum of 5 pages, single spaced and a minimum font of 12-pitch. The proposal should include the following:
 - a. Specific aims (no more than two paragraphs).
 - b. Background; inclusion of preliminary data is encouraged.
 - c. Proposed research plans for obtaining additional funding should the project be successful.
- 5) **Cited references** not to exceed 1 page.
- 6) **NIH biographical sketch** of the principal investigator and all co-investigators and consultants on the project.

- 7) **Budget** not to exceed 1 page with complete justification outlining expenditures for the project. The budget may include costs for technical assistance, effort for each investigator, supplies, and other expenses. Up to 10% of the budget can be used for faculty salary. The purchase of equipment is discouraged, as are funds for travel.
- 8) **Optional** – Up to 3 letters of support from collaborators or consultants (maximum length 1 page each).
- 9) **Supplementary Material.** No supplementary material will be accepted unless specifically requested by the AFAC Scientific Advisory Board.
- 10) Please submit **one electronic copy, as a single file (Word or Adobe PDF)** (emailed to tami-thompson@uiowa.edu) and the **original hard copy plus 10 stapled copies** to Tami-Thompson, Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center, 5970 JPP. Deviations over the page limit will be automatically rejected.

Application Submission	Submit to: Tami Thompson, Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center. Please send electronic copy to tami-thompson@uiowa.edu and original plus 10 stapled copies to Tami Thompson, 5970 JPP.
Deadline	Noon, Wednesday, July 29, 2009. The application is not required to be routed through the Division of Sponsored Programs Office. To insure application submission by the deadline date, personal hardcopy delivery is recommended.
Notification Date	Notification of award will be made on or after September 15, 2009.
Institutional Committees	All projects must comply in full with the NIH policies concerning research on human subjects and/or animals. Documentation of protocol approval by the appropriate institutional committees will be required. Copies of all assurances and certifications must be provided before funds can be allocated.
Award Activation Date	The investigator will be notified of their account number once s/he submits the required institutional approval(s). Those approvals include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Human Subject Review IRB Committee A (Sponsored Programs) b. Animal Care and Use Committee (Animal Care Office) c. Radiation Protection/Health Protection Office d. Bio-safety Committee e. Investigators will have a maximum of 2 years to expend all funds.

Progress Reports

Recipients are required to submit written progress reports on an annual basis. Reports should include specific accomplishments, publications, presentations, and future plans. Any work using these funds that is published should cite the funding source as the Aiming For A Cure Foundation.

Questions may be directed to David Tatman david-tatman@uiowa.edu, Pediatric BMT Program or 356-4324).

About Aiming For A Cure Foundation (www.aimingforacure.com)

The mission of the Aiming For A Cure Foundation is to raise funds to benefit pediatric oncology patients and families served by The University of Iowa Children's Hospital. Our goal is to improve the quality of care and quality of lives of these children through the funding of research and patient care. Aiming For A Cure Foundation is a 501c(3) Non-Profit Organization