Dana Foundation Program in Brain and Immuno-Imaging
Internal Deadline: January 9, 2013

The Dana Foundation Program in Brain and Immuno-Imaging focuses on improving human brain and brain-immune functioning to promote health, and prevent and treat disease. Funds support pilot-testing of promising, high-risk, and innovative ideas with a direct clinical application and that, when successful, are competitive for larger-scale support from other funders. Scientists may use either structural/physiological brain imaging techniques, cellular and molecular imaging technologies, or a combination of both. Submitted proposals should focus on imaging in patients or patient tissues, and healthy volunteers.

This program focuses on providing support to faculty researchers who have demonstrated the potential for independent research careers who are at the assistant professor level, or in the first few years of their associate professor appointments. Promising early career investigators who have not yet been awarded more than one independent research grant (R01 from the NIH or equivalent from another Federal agency) are eligible to apply for funding of up to $200,000 payable over three years. Postdoctoral fellows are not eligible to apply. Applications from junior investigators that are an extension of the work of a senior mentor, particularly if from the same institution, are discouraged. Projects involving collaborations with NIH intramural researchers or industry scientists are acceptable.

NOTE: Not all eligibility criteria may be listed in this abstract. Before submitting an application for this internal competition, it is the applicant’s responsibility to visit the foundation website (http://www.dana.org/grants/imaging/) and verify that BOTH the applicant AND their project meet ALL eligibility criteria.

The UM Medical School may nominate one applicant for this grant program. Deadline for submission of a preliminary proposal to the foundation is February 21, 2013. Selected applicants will be invited to prepare full proposals.

For consideration as an institutional nominee, submit ONLY the items below electronically by January 9, 2013 following the instructions listed on the cover sheet. Download the cover sheet and see a FAQ document at: http://www.med.umich.edu/medschool/research/support/funding.htm#limited

- Cover sheet
- Nominating letter from the department chair
- 3-page research plan
- NIH formatted biosketch

We acknowledge receipt of all electronic submissions. If you do not receive a response from us by the end of the next business day, please call us at 734-763-4086. Contact Kathryn Ridner at 734-763-4086 or (kridner@umich.edu) with any questions.