# Transitioning to Research Independence Part 2: Grantsmanship

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## **Survey Drawing**











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### K-Club Special: K Application Workshop

- Free two-session application workshop for CTSA KL2 applicants
  - December 3 AND December 10, 2020, from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m.(Zoom)
  - Detailed review of the application process and tips on how to put together a competitive application
  - https://georgiactsa.org/training/kl2.html
- Anyone applying for a K grant may attend
  - BIRWCH (Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health)
    - Applications due March 1, 2021
  - Winship K12 Clinical Oncology Training Program Letters of Intent due
     January 4, 2021

## K-Club Special: Physician Scientist Fellowship

#### Doris Duke Charitable Foundation

- To support two years of clinical research for physician scientists in subspecialty fellowship training to strengthen their careers as biomedical investigators
- Eligibility
  - Physician scientists (MD, MD/PhD, DO, or foreign equivalent) in any subspecialty fellowship training
  - Funding priorities are not based on disease area or research type
- Applications due: January 5, 2021 at 3 pm ET

https://www.ddcf.org/globalassets/medicalresearch/psf/2021-psf/2021-psf-rfa.pdf?id=6707

#### National Research Mentoring Network

## <u>Transitioning to Research Independence: Funding & Grantsmanship for Newly Independent Investigators</u>

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Funding and Grantsmanship for Research and Career Development Activities

http://grantscourse.columbia.edu/

#### Transitioning to Research Independence

Part 1 – October 19: Types of NIH Awards

Go to K-Club page for video and slides



Part 2 – Today: Grantsmanship

Part 3 – December 14: Review Processes

### (1) Before You Start Writing



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- What is an ESI? What kinds of applications does it come into play and what is the advantage?
- Does preliminary work need to be published at the time of application?
- Do K applicants usually draft letters of support and letters of reference for their mentors and referees?



## (2) Getting Started



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#### **Questions**

- How much time is typically needed to write a K from beginning to end?
- How much time should you build into the timeline to ensure mentors and other key individuals have time to help with editing and the writing process?



## (3) Writing



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#### **Questions**

- What types of special formatting do you recommend with grant applications? Use of bold, italics, underlining, headings, etc.
- Do you have any tips for managing unwieldy figures and tables?



## (4) Elements of a Good Proposal



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#### **Question**

Could you give an example of **Day of Deadline Drama** or a time when the applicant didn't read the instructions thoroughly, and explain how it affected the submission and/or success of the application?



#### (5) Personal Statement/Candidate's Background



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#### **Questions**

- What style of writing should be used here?
- What are some key things to highlight?
- How much should you talk about your mentors and research team in this section?
- How will one's personal statement evolve over time, say from a K to an R?



## (6) Problems Specific for Career Development Awards



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#### **Questions**

- How can one recognize when a co-mentor might be necessary or at least useful?
- How and in what areas of the application should you convey all the institutional resources at Emory?

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### (7) Common Problems with Applications from New Investigators



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#### **Question**

What are the most common problems you see in applications from new investigators?

## Thank You!