Applications are requested for the Benign Urology Research Training and Development Program. This Program seeks to encourage interactions between the broader benign urology research community and programs currently funded by the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK). These include, the U54 O’Brien Urology Centers, the P20 Developmental Centers for Benign Urology Research, and K12 Research Career Development Programs, collectively referred to as the CAIRIBU (Collaborating for the Advancement of Interdisciplinary Research in Benign Urology) community. A central goal of CAIRIBU is to increase the diversity of researchers investigating benign urology conditions by leveraging existing urology program resources and building new ones.

The Benign Urology Research Training & Development Grants Program assists benign urology researchers (e.g., investigators, post-doctoral trainees, students, laboratory technicians, research assistants) with expenses related to specific and unique opportunities, activities, and/or events that improve their skills, advance the careers of the individual researchers, and/or strengthen their institutional program. While available to all those at all career stages, priority will be given to more junior faculty and trainees (e.g., early stage investigators, K scholars, post-doctoral researchers, graduate and medical school students).

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Investigators currently funded by an U54 O’Brien Center, P20 Developmental Center, or K12 Career Development award may visit another CAIRIBU Center or a research institution outside of the CAIRIBU community. All researchers outside of CAIRIBU may only use these Research Training and Development Grants to visit one of the CAIRIBU-affiliated U54 or P20 centers. Priority will be given to early stage investigators (those within 10 years of their terminal degree or initial academic appointment), post-doctoral trainees, students at any stage of their training, or laboratory technicians or research assistants at any of the NIDDK-funded CAIRIBU centers or programs.

**AWARD INFORMATION**

**Amount of award.** An applicant may request reimbursement for an amount up to $3,500 per opportunity or activity for travel, lodging, and meals.

**Application deadlines.** Applicants should submit proposals at least 6 weeks prior to the proposed opportunity or activity.

**Review criteria.** Applications will undergo technical review based on:

1. The potential to positively impact the applicant’s career or his/her institutional research program
2. The degree to which the opportunity is unique and non-overlapping with the applicant’s previous experiences
3. The degree to which the opportunity will benefit future research involving benign urologic conditions
4. The appropriateness of the budget (Note: Funds may not be used to support investigator effort at host institution or for any laboratory supplies)
5. The availability of funds
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Appropriate proposals will request and describe travel-related expenses related to limited-term training with an expert, such as to learn a specific research methodology, technique, or process.

Ineligible proposals. Professional Development & Training grants cannot be related to:
- A current U54 or P20 project grant or ongoing research expenses related to project grant
- Established investigators or PIs
- Salary or expenses
- Tuition for graduate or undergraduate study
- Travel or other expenses for an opportunity outside of the U.S.

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the application on the CAIRIBU log-in portal. Request access to this portal from cairibu@urology.wisc.edu.

- Completed application
- NIH-style biosketch (no more than 5 pages), with section A (personal statement) aimed at explaining rationale and need for the activity
- Optional materials (unlimited) may include itinerary or schedule

** Following completion of the activity, awardees are expected to provide, within 4 weeks of completion of activity, a 1-page document detailing their activities and how they anticipate their research will benefit.

UPLOAD MATERIALS AS A SINGLE PDF FORMAT TO THE CAIRIBU LOG-IN PORTAL

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