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Eligibility & Requirements:

- Applicants should be Junior Faculty (for generally pre-NIH funding)
- Applicants must be faculty members with primary appointments at JHU as of July 1 of the year in which they are applying.
- The Trust is interested in research that has the potential to attract the support of the National Institutes of Health or other large funding organizations after the investigator receives the Trust’s funding.
- New or less recognized investigators are strongly encouraged to apply.

Internal Nomination Process:

Interested applicants should send the following documents in sequence in one PDF to resapp@jhu.edu no later than 4 p.m. on August 15, 2015:

1. JHU Limited Submission Cover Sheet
2. Abstract (one page, double-spaced)
3. Proposal (maximum of four pages of text only, single spaced: 12-pt font and one-inch margins) (Note: figures, tables, and other reference material should not be included as text)
4. Curriculum Vitae of investigator, including current external research support and publications
5. Budget (two pages maximum)
6. Letters of Recommendation from the Department Chair/Director and Graduate Advisor/Mentor (Note: Letters of Recommendation can be submitted separately to resapp@jhu.edu stating your name in the subject line)

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