

## **PARTNERS TRAINING PROGRAM IN PRECISION & GENOMIC MEDICINE**

### ***REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS***

We are thrilled to announce the call for applications for the soon-to-be funded NIH T32 Partners Training Program in Precision & Genomic Medicine. The training program is co-led by Jordan W. Smoller, MD, ScD and Sekar Kathiresan, MD.

**We are accepting applications for post-doctoral fellows to begin July 1, 2019.**

The training program brings together three outstanding components to build a world-class training program in precision and genomic medicine: 1) an internationally-recognized faculty with expertise in precision and genomic medicine across a broad range of disciplines, 2) outstanding institutional resources bridging clinical, genomic, and data sciences, and 3) deep engagement with cutting edge, collaborative initiatives at the regional, national, and international levels to provide rich training experiences.

Funding is for 2-years and awards cover salary, travel to professional meetings, and other training-related expenses.

Any questions as to eligibility for this particular T32 can be directed to the Training Program Director, Dr. Jordan Smoller ([JSMOLLER@PARTNERS.ORG](mailto:JSMOLLER@PARTNERS.ORG)).

Instructions to assemble the application packet are included below. Please return this form and all related materials as a single pdf to Angela Cook, [acook4@partners.org](mailto:acook4@partners.org).

**All application materials are due Friday, June 7, 2019 at 5pm**

Notification of awards will be made by June 14, 2019

#### Eligibility

The individual to be trained must be a citizen or a noncitizen national of the United States or have been lawfully admitted for permanent residence at the time of appointment. Additional details on citizenship, training period, and aggregate duration of support are available in the NIH Grants Policy Statement.

All trainees are required to pursue their research training full time, normally defined as 40 hours per week, or as specified by the sponsoring institution in accordance with its own policies. Appointments are normally made in 12-month increments, and no trainee may be appointed for less than 9 months during the initial period of appointment, except with prior approval of the awarding unit, or when trainees are appointed to approved, short-term training positions.

Postdoctoral trainees must have received, as of the beginning date of the NRSA appointment, a Ph.D., M.D., D.D.S., or comparable doctoral degree from an accredited domestic or foreign institution. Comparable doctoral degrees include, but are not limited to, the following: D.M.D., DC, DO, DVM., OD, DPM, ScD, EngD, DrPH, DNSc, DPT, PharmD, ND (Doctor of Naturopathy), DSW, PsyD, as well as a doctoral degree in nursing research. Documentation by an authorized official of the degree-granting institution certifying all degree requirements have been met prior to the beginning date of the training appointment is acceptable. Individuals in postgraduate clinical training, who wish to interrupt their studies for a year or more to engage in full-time research training before completing their formal training programs, are also eligible.

Please share this announcement with other interested candidates.

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## PRECISION & GENOMIC MEDICINE TRAINING GRANT *APPLICATION*

### INSTRUCTIONS

Please include in the application:

1. Cover page (see attached)
2. A one-page personal statement one-page personal statement of background and experience, goals for T32 fellowship training and longer-term career goals
3. A (maximum two page) description of your research interests and planned research project
4. Two letters of recommendation from prior mentors or training supervisors
5. Documentation of doctoral degree completion (or imminent completion) and citizenship/permanent resident status
6. Your Curriculum Vitae

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Cover Page

TRAINEE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TRAINEE EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TRAINEE'S PROPOSED MENTOR (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

MENTOR'S EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

INSTITUTION: \_\_\_\_\_

PERIOD OF REQUESTED FUNDING: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL STATEMENT (no more than 1 page):  
Please explain why you wish to enter this training program.

RESEARCH INTERESTS (no more than two pages):  
Please describe your research interests, or your planned research project if already formulated.

### **Self-Identification (voluntary)**

Harvard University has adopted affirmative action programs to provide full employment opportunities for qualified women and minorities, qualified disabled persons, and qualified disabled veterans and veterans of the Vietnam Era. We invite you to inform us if you are a member of a protected class, if you have a disability, or if you are an Iraq, Afghanistan, or other disabled veteran. This information is voluntary and providing or refusing it will NOT subject you to any adverse treatment. Please answer each section by checking the appropriate response.

#### Self-Identification

For Affirmative Action purposes, Harvard is required by law to keep track of the race and sex of all applicants. We invite you to assist us in keeping accurate records by self-disclosing your race and sex. This information is completely voluntary and will not be kept in your personnel file.

\_\_\_\_\_ Male    \_\_\_\_\_Female

\_\_\_\_\_ Black or African-American (not of Hispanic origin): A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

\_\_\_\_\_ Asian, not underrepresented: A person having origins in any of the Asian subpopulations not considered underrepresented in the health professions include Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Asian Indian, or Thai.

\_\_\_\_\_ Asian, underrepresented: A person having origins in any of the Asian subpopulations considered underrepresented in the health professions include any Asian OTHER THAN Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Asian Indian, or Thai. (i.e., Cambodian, Vietnamese, Malaysian)

\_\_\_\_\_ Native American or Alaskan Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

\_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic or Latino: A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. Only those persons from Central and South American countries who are of Spanish origin, descent, or culture should be included in this classification. Persons from Brazil, Guyana, Surinam, or Trinidad, for example, would be classified according to their race and would not necessarily be included in the Hispanic classification. In addition, this classification does not include persons from Portugal, who should be classified according to race.

\_\_\_\_\_ White (not of Hispanic origin): A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa or the Middle East.

\_\_\_\_\_ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

Self-Identification for Persons with Disabilities

In accordance with Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the provision of this information is on a voluntary basis and will be maintained in a separate location for affirmative action program use and will not be included in the personnel file of any employee for employment.

**DEFINITION: DISABILITY STATUS**

The following are examples of some, but not all, disabilities which may be included: AIDS, asthma, arthritis, color or visual blindness, cancer, cerebral palsy, deafness or hearing impairment, diabetes, epilepsy, HIV, heart disease, hypertension, learning disabilities, mental or emotional illnesses, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, orthopedic, speech or visual impairments, or any other physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more of your major life activities. Please indicate if you are:

\_\_\_\_\_ Disabled      \_\_\_\_\_ Not disabled

Self-Identification for Persons from Disadvantaged Backgrounds

We are required to report the number of individuals applying to, admitted to, and graduated from our program who meet federal definitions for coming from “disadvantaged backgrounds” or “medically underserved communities.” The provision of this information is voluntary and will not be included in the personnel file of any employee for employment.

**The definition of “Disadvantaged”** is that which is currently in use for health professions programs (42 CFR 57.1804 (c)) and includes both economic and educational factors that are barriers to an individual’s participation in a health professions program. This means an individual who:

(a) comes from an environment that has inhibited the individual from obtaining the knowledge, skills, and abilities required to enroll in and graduate from a health professions school, or from a program providing education or training in an allied health profession; or

(b) comes from a family with an annual income below a level based on low-income thresholds according to family size, published by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, and adjusted annually for changes in the Consumer Price Index, and by the Secretary for use in health professions programs.

**“Medically Underserved community”** means an urban or rural population without adequate health care services. If you are unsure about whether your community qualifies, we can use the following geographic information to make that determination:

State \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

City or Town, State, Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if you believe you are from a:

Disadvantaged Background \_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No

or Medically Underserved Community \_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No