

HARRINGTON SCHOLAR AWARD FOR CORONAVIRUS

The **Harrington Scholar Award for Coronavirus** is part of a [major initiative](#) to support the global fight against novel Coronavirus and potential future pandemic events. Harrington Discovery Institute will provide successful applicants with **grant funding and expert guidance and oversight in all aspects of drug/therapeutics development**, while taking no rights to intellectual property, which is retained by the award recipient and their institution.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

QUESTION	RESPONSE
What is the grant award amount?	\$150,000 guaranteed, with the potential to receive up to \$1 million in charitable support.
How is this award different from other drug development grant awards?	In addition to a monetary award, awardees receive personalized discovery and development support from Harrington Discovery Institute's Therapeutics Development team (experienced pharma and business development leaders with a track record of bringing new drugs to market).
How does an award recipient benefit from Harrington Discovery Institute's commercial partners?	Harrington Discovery Institute will facilitate introductions between commercial partners and the PI, when the project is ready for commercial partnerships.
How many projects will you fund?	We will fund up to 10 projects.
What type of projects are you looking for?	<p>Projects being sought:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Novel therapies that can target Coronavirus and its co-morbidities, such as impact on lungs and heart. • Broad-spectrum anti-viral therapies, particularly targeting respiratory viruses. • Next generation vaccines that may target new Corona strains, multiple Corona viruses or more than one type of virus. • Emergency countermeasures/prophylaxis strategies for first responders and emergency medical personnel to be administered either once or short term. <p>Emphasis of call:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapies that can enter clinical trials near-term (i.e., within 12 months) with HDI project management and financial support. • Breakthrough, differentiated technologies and discoveries.
What modalities are eligible?	Any therapeutic modality is eligible.

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What stage of development are you looking for?	We are particularly interested in therapies that can enter clinical trials near-term (i.e., within 12 months). We are also interested in earlier stage projects that demonstrate a breakthrough, differentiated technology or discovery that would be applicable to the current and/or future pandemics. For earlier stage projects, we will fund projects between those with leads for Target ID and those with candidate therapies at a pre-clinical stage.
Does Harrington Discovery Institute take any IP rights?	No, IP rights are retained by the PI or their institution. This is a philanthropically-supported award.
If we have licensed our technology to a commercial partner, is our project eligible for funding?	No, we can only support projects in which the asset and ensuing IP are under full control of the PI or his/her institution.
Is a vaccine for COVID19 suitable for the call?	Since other groups are making progress on COVID19 vaccines, we would only be interested in a vaccine project if it is a universal vaccine that would work for many coronavirus infections of the future.
Are device, diagnostic or biomarker projects eligible?	We would fund devices, diagnostics or biomarkers only if they are supplemental to the development of a drug, but as stand-alone projects.
Is a second use for a known compound eligible?	Yes, but only if there is a path to new IP associated with the indication.
What is the grant period and what is the expected start date?	This is an accelerated 12-month program, with the possibility of extending an engagement, which would be determined on a case-by-case basis. Projects are expected to commence 3 rd quarter 2020.
Who is eligible to apply?	The PI must hold an MD or PhD or its equivalent and hold a faculty position at an accredited academic medical center, university or research institution in the U.S., Canada or the United Kingdom, and conduct the majority of his/her research at that institution.
Are post-doc's eligible to apply as the PI?	No. Post-doc's are not eligible to apply as the Principal Investigator for this award.
Are Co-Principal Investigators (PI's) allowed?	Yes, but only one applicant/Principal Investigator is recognized as the Harrington Scholar and will have responsibility for project oversight and financial management.

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What type of costs can the award funds be applied to?	Funds can be applied to direct costs only (no institution overhead or indirect costs). They can be used for salary of the PI (up to 10% of total award amount) and collaborators in a proportionate amount to the time spent on the project. Award funds cannot be used to pay students and cannot be used for travel costs, professional fees or publication fees. In addition, no more than 10% of the grant funds can be used for capital expenditures or equipment.
In the application should I develop the budget for the \$150k award or the potential additional funds?	Develop the budget for the guaranteed amount of \$150k. You may identify in the application which studies/activities the additional funds would be used for if you were to qualify for additional funding.
Can salary for other faculty members that are assisting in the project, such as junior faculty and clinical doctors, be covered?	Yes, the award may be used to cover salaries for post-docs (or junior faculty or clinical doctors) equivalent to the percentage of effort devoted to the project.
Is it an issue if the PI is receiving grant funding from other sources?	No, there is no issue.
Can one PI submit multiple proposals for consideration?	Yes, a PI may submit multiple proposals.
Is there any limit to the number of applications our university can submit?	No, there is no limit to the number of applications one university can submit.
Am I eligible to apply, even if I previously was awarded funds from HDI?	Yes, past recipients of Harrington awards may submit proposals.
Will the information I send in my proposal be kept confidential?	Yes, all information received by Harrington Discovery Institute is considered confidential and the reviewers are under Non-Disclosure Agreements. If the applicant has a question about the review process, they may contact us at HDIQuestions@HarringtonDiscovery.org .

For additional questions, please contact us at: HDIQuestions@HarringtonDiscovery.org.