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Harrington Discovery Institute at University Hospitals Opens Call for 2018 Harrington Scholar-Innovator Award

Cleveland, Ohio – Harrington Discovery Institute at University Hospitals (UH) in Cleveland, Ohio – part of The Harrington Project for Discovery & Development – has opened its annual award competition to fund physician-scientist innovators at major academic medical centers across the country to advance their work toward therapeutic discoveries. This effort is funded with support from University Hospitals and impact philanthropist Ron Harrington and his family, for whom the institute and overarching project are named.

The [Harrington Discovery Institute](#) holds an annual competition to identify the nation’s most talented physician-scientists, who will be supported financially and professionally, all to help bridge the gap between breakthrough discovery and promising drugs that can be readied for clinical development.

Applicants have the opportunity to receive:

- \$100,000 guaranteed; opportunity to qualify for **up to \$700,000**
- **Drug development and project management support** through Harrington Discovery Institute’s [Innovation Support Center](#)

Letters of Intent are being accepted through **April 5, 2017**

All applications must be submitted on line at HarringtonDiscovery.org/Grant

This year, the institute will select up to 12 researchers to receive Harrington Scholar-Innovator awards, which provide financial support (up to \$700,000) to each physician-scientist, as well as project management support from leaders in the pharmaceutical industry charged with fostering drug development through the Institute’s [Innovation Support Center](#). The institute provides hands-on guidance around target validation, commercial development, and FDA regulatory strategy. Harrington Scholars (and their institutions) retain the intellectual property rights for their work.

“We celebrate our fifth anniversary of supporting physician-scientists whose research shows promise of advancing the standard of care in American medicine,” said Jonathan Stamler, MD, Harrington Discovery Institute President. “Our research-without-walls model supports translation of important discoveries that would otherwise languish. We are grateful to the Harrington family for their visionary support of this work – they perfectly model what impact philanthropy can achieve.”

The competition is open to physician-scientists at accredited academic medical centers, research institutions and universities in the United States. Selection criteria include innovation, creativity and potential for impact on human health. Applicants must have a doctorate in medicine and demonstrate exceptional promise. Award recipients will be selected by the Harrington Discovery Institute’s [Scientific Advisory Board](#) and announced in December 2017.

“Through the efforts of the Harrington Discovery Institute, our scholars have advanced discoveries to clinical readiness,” said Mukesh K. Jain, MD, Chief Scientific Officer, Harrington Discovery Institute. “The Harrington Discovery Institute is well established in the physician-scientist research community and through our partnerships with disease foundations and research institutions we are increasing our commitment to unmet patient needs.”

For more information about the Harrington Scholar-Innovator Award, please visit HarringtonDiscovery.org/grant

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Harrington Discovery Institute

The Harrington Discovery Institute at University Hospitals in Cleveland, Ohio – part of The Harrington Project for Discovery & Development – aims to advance medicine and society by enabling our nation’s most inventive physician-scientists to turn their discoveries into medicines that improve human health. The institute was created in 2012 with a \$50 million founding gift from the Harrington family and instantiates the commitment they share with University Hospitals to a Vision for a ‘Better World’.

The Harrington Project for Discovery & Development

The Harrington Project for Discovery & Development (The Harrington Project), founded in late February 2012 by the Harrington Family and University Hospitals of Cleveland, is a \$300 million national initiative built to bridge the translational valley of death. It includes the Harrington Discovery Institute and BioMotiv, a for-profit, mission-aligned drug development company that accelerates early discovery into pharma pipelines.

For more information about The Harrington Project and the Harrington Discovery Institute, visit: HarringtonDiscovery.org.

University Hospitals / Cleveland, Ohio

Founded in 1866, University Hospitals serves the needs of over 1 million patients per year through an integrated network of 18 hospitals, more than 40 outpatient health centers and 200 physician offices in 15 counties throughout northern Ohio. The system’s flagship academic medical center, University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center, located in Cleveland’s University Circle, is affiliated with Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. The main campus also includes UH Rainbow Babies & Children’s Hospital, ranked among the top children’s hospitals in the nation; UH MacDonald Women’s Hospital, Ohio’s only hospital for women; and UH Seidman Cancer Center, part of the NCI-designated Case Comprehensive Cancer Center. UH is home to some of the most prestigious clinical and research programs in the nation, including cancer, pediatrics, women’s health, orthopedics, radiology, neuroscience, cardiology and cardiovascular surgery, digestive health, dermatology, transplantation and urology. UH Cleveland Medical Center is perennially among the highest performers in national ranking surveys, including “America’s Best Hospitals” from U.S. News & World Report. UH is also home to Harrington Discovery Institute at UH – part of The Harrington Project for Discovery & Development. UH is the second largest employer in northern Ohio with 26,000 employees. For more information, go to UHhospitals.org.

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