

California Institute for Regenerative Medicine

First Cycle Grant Types Discussion

For ICOC approval or referral to grant search sub committee with guidance

1. Intellectual Infrastructure (training) grants

- Expecting to fund approximately 20 million total in first cycle
- Let institutions know that there is a given amount of money available for these grants and see what creativity it inspires
- These grants would likely come from institutions which will train post-docs, medical students, young faculty and graduate students to populate the field of stem cell research with excellent scientists and physicians

2. Seed grants

- Generally in the range of \$50,000 -150,000 per year – [1-3 year award period]
 - These will fund new or established scientists so they can gather preliminary data on a new idea, or
 - Scientists established in a field other than stem cell research who have promising ideas that, subject to documentation, would justify refocusing their efforts in the stem cell research field
- Expecting to fund approximately 8 to 10 million total in first cycle for this type
- Number of this type of grant that may be accepted from any institution may, for example, be based on total amount of grant support that the institution receives for biomedical research and other criteria developed by the committee and approved by the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee. The following is an example of how we might structure this:

Amount of Total Grant Support (in millions)	Max Seed Grant Applications
< 50	1
51-100	2
101-150	3
151-200	4
201-250	5
251-300	6
301-350	7
351-400	8
401-450	9
451-500	10

Each UC campus will be considered individually when determining grant support.

3. Centers of Excellence grants

- These grants are expected to be in the range of 5-7 million per year, which may include costs for leasing space – [3-5 year award period]
- Expecting to fund approximately 50-60 million total in first cycle for this type
- We expect these to come from Centers of Excellence such as a consortium of institutions or a team of scientists at a single institution

4. Not for Consideration in the first cycle

- **Standards covering research, conflict of interest, and IP [as applicable] for each class of grant must be in place before that class of grants can be approved.**
- Large individual initiated grant proposals will not be considered during this cycle
- Proposals from commercial organizations
- Proposals which include clinical research

Please note: This is a conceptual blueprint of the ideas under consideration and is subject to subcommittee action and action by the Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. This is intended to be used for informational purposes only, not as a binding document. The configuration of grant awards is expected to be evolutionary—the above refers exclusively to the initial grant period.