

**Previous videos:** Overview of EDUC3 (SPARK) and EDUC8 (Umbrella COMPASS and Bridges)

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# **CIRM EDUC Programs: Application and Review Process for 2026**

## **Part 2**

**Informational Video Guide**

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# EDUC8 Agenda

## 1 Programmatic Consultations

- 2 Application Components
- 3 Review Process
- 4 CIRM's Infrastructure Programs

# Consultation Requests



Review EDUC RFA/PA; compile programmatic questions



Email [education@circm.ca.gov](mailto:education@circm.ca.gov) to request a consultation form



Submit consultation request form  
(5-10 mins)



Wait for CIRM to provide a (1) written response or (2) a link to schedule time with Science Officers

# EDUC8 Agenda

1 Programmatic Consultations

**2 Application Components**

3 Review Process

4 Resources for Applicants

# Application | Getting Started

Log-in at <http://grants.cirm.ca.gov/>

Click on “Open Programs”

Select “Start a EDUC3/EDUC8 Grant Application”

## Other Things You Could Do

- Browse current [Open Programs](#) to start a new application
- Review [Your Applications](#) to see all previously submitted, expired, abandoned, and withdrawn applications

## Open Programs

RFA's and Programs Open For Applications	Actions
EDUC 3 CIRM Summer Program to Accelerate Regenerative Medicine Knowledge (SPARK): EDUC3 Grant Application	<a href="#">Start a EDUC3 Grant Application</a>
EDUC 8 EDUC8 - Umbrella for CIRM Bridges and COMPASS: EDUC8 Grant Application	<a href="#">Start a EDUC8 Grant Application</a>

*The PI/PD of all applications/pre-applications/LOIs created here will be the person whose name is listed at the top of this page.  
You cannot use these links to create applications for any other PI/PD.*

# Application | Components

Required sections will change from “Incomplete” to “Complete”

## ONLINE SECTION

- Eligibility
- People & Organizations
- Budget & Justification
- Title & Abstract
- Public Abstract
- Statement of Benefit to CA

## UPLOADS SECTION (Attachments)

**Required**– must use templates

- Proposal
- Biographical Sketches for Key Personnel
- PD and Co-Director Other Support
- Institutional Letter of Commitment

### EDUC8 Only

- Trainee Budget Worksheet
- Project Timeline

### Optional – but can be helpful

- Letters of Collaboration
- Graduate Outcomes Table

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# Application | People & Organizations

**YELLOW = INCOMPLETE**

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## People & Organizations

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Please complete the following information, beginning with the Program Director. Do not include Internship Host Mentors in this section.

For the PD/AOO sections: Click on the "Edit" button to enter percent effort and/or other details. Don't forget to hit the "save" button after entering.

For all other sections: Use the green and yellow buttons to add personnel or organizations. Once these are saved, click on the links for each entry to provide or edit details. Use the red negative sign next to an entry to delete it.

Yellow highlighting indicates that an item is missing some information.

PD

### Add Percent Effort and Role Description

Edit PD

The PD is the individual, designated by the Grantee, responsible for the scientific or technical aspects of the CIRM-funded Project or Activity and for its management.

Tester, Test – test (<no percent effort>) – University of California, Los Angeles  
1999 Harrison, oakland, CA 94612 – 555-555-5555 – test@test.com  
<no description>

AOO

### Select or Add AOO

Edit AOO

The PD must add an Authorized Organizational Official (AOO) for this application. An AOO is an individual named by the applicant organization who is authorized to act for the applicant organization and to assume the obligations imposed by the laws, regulations, requirements, and conditions that apply to applications and awards. This AOO will be responsible for the final application submission to CIRM and must have the authority within their organization to commit to the project and the resources being proposed (e.g. staffing, co-funding, facilities, etc.). This AOO must be verified by CIRM prior to application submission. For existing CIRM-funded organizations, a list of current, verified AOOs will show up in the dropdown menu. For organizations that have never received a CIRM award, please first add the provisional AOO information and then contact CIRM Grants Management ([grantsmanagement@cirm.ca.gov](mailto:grantsmanagement@cirm.ca.gov)) to have this AOO verified. Once the PD has completed all portions of their CIRM application, they will be able to "Route" their application to the verified AOO who will login and submit the final application to CIRM.

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Key People

## Add Role, Percent Effort, and Role Description

+ Add Key Person
+ Add Key Person As TBD

Key Personnel include the Program Director, co-Director (if applicable) and any key administrative personnel. Do not include Internship Host Mentors, Advisory Committee members, or Internship Host Coordinators in this section.

Individuals who do not meet the definition of key personnel may be supported with CIRM funds, but should not be identified by name in the application. Such unnamed personnel may be referenced indirectly by their role on the project (e.g., technician). The budget includes a line item for requesting support for unnamed personnel.

If any Key Person will have multiple roles on the project where different effort is required, you can use the "add another role" button under their name to provide additional information. For example, a Key Person may be committing 5% effort as a Co-Director and also committing 10% effort as an outreach coordinator. If this situation does not apply, do NOT use this feature.

List here all key personnel as defined above:

- **Person, Key** - <no role on project> (<no percent effort>) - University of California, Berkeley - KeyPerson@KP.com  
<no description>
- **Person2, Key** - Advisor (5.0%) - Berkeley City College - KeyPerson2@KP.com  
*Advisor*  
Add another Role

}

List Project KP here

Host Institutions

+ Select Host Institution
+ Add New Host Institution
+ Add Mentor

Please list all organizations that will host trainees for research internships including any collaborating institutions.

- CIRM
- Doe, John

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Search for Host Institution

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Add Mentor Name

Add up to 10 entries

# Application | Uploads

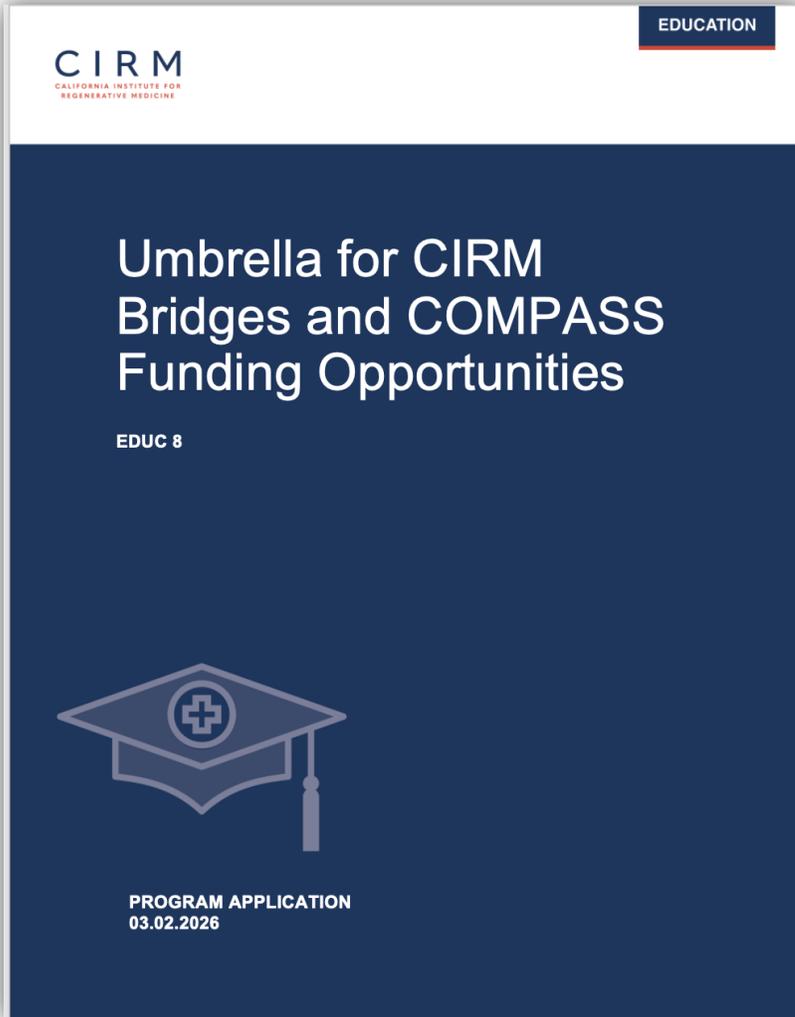
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**NAME**      **STATUS**      **TEMPLATES**      **UPLOADED FILES**      **UPLOAD BUTTON**

**\* REQUIRED**

Document Name	Status	Template	Uploaded Files	Acceptable File Types	Upload
* Proposal	Incomplete	none	none	pdf	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>
* Biographical Sketches for All Key Personnel	Incomplete	<a href="#">MSWord</a>	none	pdf	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>
* PD / CoPD Other Support	Incomplete	<a href="#">MSWord</a>	none	pdf	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>
Trainee Costs Budget Worksheet	Incomplete	none	none	xls, xlsx	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>
* In a single Excel worksheet, supply the trainee costs budget.					
* Project Timeline	Incomplete	none	none	pdf	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> <input type="button" value="No file chosen"/>
In a single PDF, supply the project timeline.					
Graduate Outcomes Table	Complete	<a href="#">MSExcel</a>	none	xls, xlsx	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>
Using the supplied template, please enter information for each student intern who has completed the program at your institution. Prior or current Bridges grantees: exclude student interns who may have completed the CIRM-funded portion of their internship but are still in your institution's program. In the "CIRM-Funded?" column, please indicate "Yes" for those who have been funded by CIRM in whole or in part. Please also report student intern outcomes information for institutions without a current Bridges program or for those programs with non-CIRM-funded student interns.					
* Institutional Letter of Commitment	Incomplete	none	none	pdf	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>
The applicant institution must provide a letter of support, signed by a senior organizational official who has the authority, or who has been delegated the authority, to commit the applicant institution to support the proposed program. This letter should document in specific terms the nature of the institution's current and future commitment to the proposed program during the period of the award and should include a description of facilities and resources available to the program. A discussion of the institution's track record and future plans for expanding educational activities relevant to the proposed program should also be included.					
Letters of Collaboration	Complete	none	none	pdf	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>
In a single PDF, supply any letters of collaboration.					

# Application | Proposal Template



- Use the **provided Word Template**
- **Adhere** to prescribed page limits
- **Maintain formatting** (preset fonts, margins)
- **Follow instructions** for each section
- **Convert to PDF** when finished to upload
- **Do not alter** margins, font size, etc.
- **Do not exceed** page limits
- **Do not** leave sections **incomplete**
- **Do not** use “**DIY**” template



# Application | Program Timeline (EDUC8 only)

## EDUC8-12345 Awards - Program Timeline

### Dual Path

**Note: This is an EXAMPLE. Please tailor template to your program's needs (i.e. different activities, overlapping cohorts). Different colors can be used for cohorts, or activity types, but please**

### Legend

Cohort 1	Cohort 2	Cohort 3	Cohort 4	Cohort 5
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Administrative Activities	Responsible Lead	Year 1				Year 2				Year 3				Year 4				Year 5				Off-cycle Internship Completion			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
trainee recruitment - Bridges	Outreach Coordinator, Mentorship Facilitator	■	■			■	■			■	■			■	■			■	■						
trainee recruitment - COMPASS	Outreach Coordinator, Mentorship Facilitator	■	■			■	■			■	■			n/a	n/a			n/a	n/a						
prospective trainee screening and selection	Program Director, Co-Director		■	■			■	■			■	■			■	■			■	■					
internship matching	Program Director, Co-Director				■	■				■				■				■							
program self assessment	Program Director, Co-Director				■								■								■				
alumni tracking	Program Director, Co-Director																								

Trainee Activities	Responsible Lead	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4																
special techniques courses (fall)	Jane Doe (Program Director)					■	■			■	■			■	■			■	■		
patient engagement activities (winter)	Outreach Coordinator					■				■				■				■			
community outreach activities	Outreach Coordinator					■				■				■				■			
Resume Workshop (fall)	Mentorship Facilitator						■				■				■				■		
conferences	Program Director, Co-Director						■	■			■	■			■	■			■	■	
communication training	Consultant						■				■				■				■		
ethics training	Program Director, Co-Director						■				■				■				■		
Bridges internships (1 year)	Host Site Coordinator		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
COMPASS internships (2-3 month)	Co-Director								■	■			■	■			■	■			■
foundational courses (COMPASS)																					

# Application | Co-Funders

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- Add in Co-Funders as entities (name of organization + relevant details)
- Entries in this section auto populate entities into the co-funders table without (\$) values
- Populates the names of Co-Funders in the Co-Funding table in next Funding Section
- Add (\$) committed matching funds in the Co-Funders module

1. To add entity entries in the Co-Funders table under People and Organizations:
  - Click green **+ Add Co-funders** button in the top right

 **Cofunders**

[+ Add Cofunder](#)

Please list the name of each source of cash co-funding and save. Once Co-Funders are listed and saved below, navigate to the Co-funders link on the sidebar and enter the amount of co-funding from each source by year.

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# Application | Co-Funders

2. Search for organization, if it exists it can be selected. If not, please Click “**Add a new organization**” to add

- Name of organization
- Institution type
- Profit Type
- Etc.

STEP 2 | Verify Organization

Search results for name: "ABC Test". Please confirm the organization.

**No matching organizations found for "ABC Test"**

**Don't see the organization?**  
If the organization isn't listed above, you can add it to our system.  
Note: New organizations require administrator review before they become available.

**+ Add a new organization**

3. Click green “**Create Organization**” in bottom left to save new entity entry

Organization Information

Organization Name  
Enter full legal name  
ABC Test

Website URL  
https://www.

Institution Type  
Select Institution Ty

Profit Type  
Select organization type  
 Nonprofit  For Profit

Country  
e.g., United States, Can

City  
e.g. San Francisco

Postal Code  
e.g. 94102

**Create Organization**

4. The page will redirect back to the Co-Funders entry table in the “People and Organizations” section

Click “**+ Add Co-Funder**” again and search for the newly created organization. Search results will show the organization. Click blue “**Confirm**” button to add to Co-Funders list.

STEP 2 | Verify Organization

Search results for name: "ABC Test". Please confirm the organization.

**ABC Test**  
https://www.  
Name: ABC Test

**Confirm**

# Application | Co-Funders

5. After clicking the “**Confirm**” button, the page will redirect back to the Co-funders table in the People and Organizations Module. The confirmed selection will appear in your list.



**Cofunders** + Add Cofunder

Please list the name of each source of cash co-funding and save. Once Co-Funders are listed and saved below, navigate to the Co-funders link on the sidebar and enter the amount of co-funding from each source by year.

- ABC Test

Details of existing or new organizations **cannot be edited once saved**  
To change the details of an entity, a new organization will need to be created in this module

# Application | Budget Instructions

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1. Add matching fund contributors in “People & Organizations” section of the online application
2. Enter committed matching fund amounts into the “Co-funders” section. *Amounts will present in the table and be automatically pulled into the Funds Calculator; letters of support demonstrating committed cost sharing are due at the time of application submission*
3. Complete the Trainee Cost Workbook upload (**Required**) for the specific path you are applying to. **Only** include Trainee Costs
4. Transfer yearly trainee costs from the Workbook into the Trainee Costs table in the online Funds Calculator in your application
5. Complete remaining sections of the online Funds Calculator (*Program Administration / Educational Enhancement Costs, Indirect Costs table*)
6. Complete the Budget justification section
7. Upload completed Trainee Cost Workbook in the “Uploads” section of the online application

# Application | Trainee Costs Workbook (EDUC8 only)

*Required upload at the time of application submission*

1. Trainee Cost Workbook (Upload) should be completed **first**, before the online Funds Calculator
  - Download a copy of the workbook and save as "**Trainee Costs Budget\_EDUC8-XXXXX**"
  - Follow the instructions provided on the budget worksheet within the workbook
    - **White cells** = manual entry from the applicant required
    - **Grey cells** = not applicable / no entry required
    - **Green / yellow cells** = automatic calculation; formula applied in sheet.
2. Complete the specific trainee costs worksheet(s) for the path applied to (EDUC2 Bridges, EDUC5 COMPASS, or Dual Path)
  - **Requires detailed proposed costs per path to be entered**
3. Transfer yearly totals from completed worksheet into Trainee Costs Table in the online Funds Calculator
  - **Total costs, per year, should match trainee worksheet**
4. Upload the completed workbook in the "Uploads" section of the online application

# Application | Trainee Costs Workbook (Bridges Path)

EDUC8 Bridges Path Trainee Worksheet	
<b>Track 1</b>	
Requested Trainee Slots/Year	
<b>Trainee Funds (Per Trainee)</b>	
Research Internship Stipend	
<b>Trainee Administrative Support Fund (TASF) (per Trainee)</b>	
Tuition and Fees	
Advanced Techniques Course Fees	
Research Related Funds	
Assistance Funds	
Travel Allowance	
<b>Total Cost Per Undergraduate Trainee</b>	
<b>Total Annual Cost (Undergraduate Level)</b>	
<b>Track 2</b>	
Requested Trainee Slots/Year	
<b>Trainee Funds (Per Trainee)</b>	
Research Internship Stipend	
<b>Trainee Administrative Support Fund (TASF) (Per Trainee)</b>	
Tuition and Fees	
Advanced Techniques Course Fees	
Research Related Funds	
Assistance Funds	
Travel Allowance	
<b>Total Cost Per Graduate Trainee</b>	
<b>Total Annual Cost (Graduate Level)</b>	
<b>Total Cost Per Cohort</b>	

- Bridges Path Applicants complete **ONLY** the Bridges Path Trainee Worksheet
- Enter yearly requested costs per trainee, per track\* (if applicable)
  - Track 1 costs = Internship Type 1
  - Track 2 costs = Internship Type 2
- Total Trainee costs, per year, auto calculate in the last row, labeled, **"Total cost per cohort"**
  - Transfer yearly costs from this row into the Trainee Costs table in the online Funds Calculator
- Upload completed worksheet in the uploads section of the online application

# Application | Trainee Costs Workbook (COMPASS Path)

Trainee Appointment Duration (select one)	Checkbox
2 year appointment period	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 year appointment period	<input type="checkbox"/>

COMPASS Path Trainee Worksheet
Requested Trainee Slots/Year
<b>Trainee Funds (Per Trainee)</b>
Research Internship Stipend
Academic Support Stipend (COMPASS Trainees only)
<b>Trainee Administrative Support Fund (TASF) (Per Trainee)</b>
Tuition and Fees
Research Related Funds
Assistance Funds
Travel Allowance
Total Cost Per Trainee
<b>Total Trainee Costs</b>

- COMPASS Path Applicants complete **ONLY** the COMPASS Path Trainee Worksheet
- Select trainee appointment duration
  - 2 years **OR** 3 years
- Enter requested per trainee costs, per year
  - Up to 50 trainees may be supported over 5 years
  - 2 and 3-year appointment period examples provided for illustrative purposes on the worksheet
- Total Trainee costs, per year, auto calculate in the last green row, labeled, "**Total Trainee Costs**"
  - Transfer total yearly costs from this row into the Trainee Costs table in the online Funds Calculator
- Upload completed worksheet in the uploads section of the online application

# Application | Trainee Costs Workbook (Dual Path)

Dual Path Trainee Worksheet
Bridges requested Trainee Slots/ Year
COMPASS requested Trainee Slots/ Year
<b>Total Trainee Funds/ Year</b>
Research Internship Stipends
Academic Support Stipend (COMPASS Trainees only)
<b>Total Trainee Administrative Support Fund (TASF)/ Year</b>
Tuition and Fees
Advanced Techniques Course Fees (Bridges Trainees only)
Research Related Funds
Assistance Funds
Travel Allowance
<b>Total Bridges Trainees cost/ Year</b>
<b>Total COMPASS Trainees cost/ Year</b>
<b>Total Annual Cost</b>

- Dual Path Applicants must complete **BOTH** the Bridges and COMPASS Trainee Costs worksheets
- Dual Path Tab automatically pulls entries from the completed worksheets and calculates them into total costs per year
  - No manual entry on this sheet
- Total Trainee costs, per year, **per trainee type**, auto calculate in the "Total Bridges Trainees cost/Year" and "Total COMPASS Trainees cost/Year" green rows
- Total Dual Path Trainee costs auto calculate in the last green row, labeled, **"Total Annual Cost"**
  - Transfer total yearly costs from this row into the Trainee Costs table in the online Funds Calculator
- Upload completed workbook, including all 3 completed sheets, in the uploads section of the online application

# Application | Funds Calculator

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- Transfer yearly totals from Trainee Cost Worksheet/Workbook into the Trainee Costs Table in the online Funds Calculator (EDUC8 only)
- Program Administration / Educational Enhancement costs must be entered by year in the Funds Calculator
- Enter "0" in any cell that is not applicable to your application and or not required; blank cells with no entries will prevent "complete" module status
- Matching Fund Contributions entered in the Co-funding module automatically pull into the "Total Co-Funding" row in the "Total Project Funds" table
  - Letters of support demonstrating committed cost sharing must be uploaded at the time of application submission

## Important Reminders

1. Facilities is not an allowable cost under this Award mechanism
2. IDC limited to up to 10% of allowable direct project costs

# Application | Budget Justification

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## Mandatory requirement

- All proposed costs (trainee stipends, program administration/educational enhancement costs, TASF, etc.) must be adequately described in the budget justification with complete rationale
- If applicable, all matching fund commitments must be described in the budget justification section

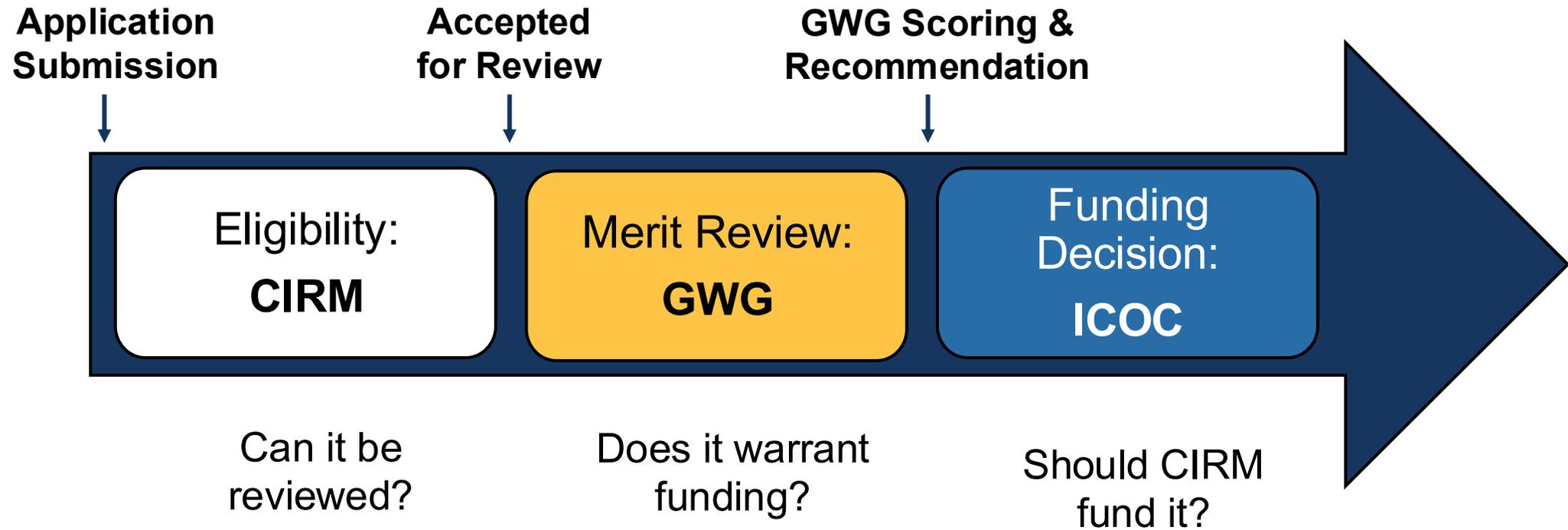
If applicable, describe the source(s), type(s) and nature of any and all co-funding contributed to the project. Official letters of commitment on co-funder's letterhead must also be provided in the Uploads section to substantiate the availability of all co-funding.

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# Application Review Process



# Merit Review | EDUC3 Scientific Review Criteria

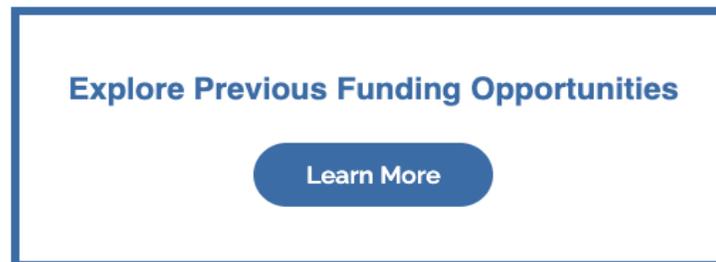
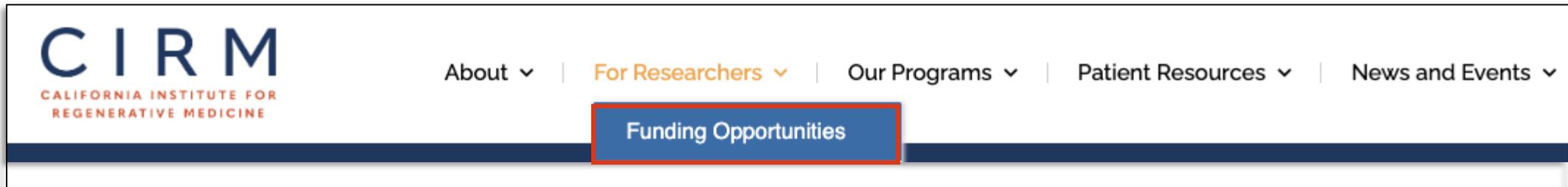
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# Merit Review | EDUC8 Scientific Review Criteria

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<b>Outreach and Assessment</b>	Evaluate the strategy for identifying talent and measuring success
<b>Trainee Experience</b>	Evaluate the quality of the educational and support framework to ensure successful trainee outcomes
<b>Program Team and Resources</b>	Evaluate the expertise and resources that will be deployed to achieve the training program objectives
<b>Population Impact</b>	Evaluate the extent to which the program considers the potential impact of the proposed training across broad segments of California

# Previous EDUC Review Summaries

Navigate to "[Previous Funding Opportunities](#)" to learn more about how previous EDUC awards have been evaluated



# EDUC8 Agenda

- 1 Programmatic Consultations
- 2 Application Components
- 3 Review Process

## 4 Resources for Applicants

# CIRM Manufacturing Network Training Programs

*9 academic Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) facilities*

## Programs Planned or Offered:

- Certificate and internship programs
- GMP training
- Manufacturing related skills training

## Network Members



# Alpha Clinics Education and Training Programs

## Select Programs Planned or Offered:

- Courses, certificates, and internships
- Clinical research training at various levels
- Stem cell counselor training
- Nurse training
- Clinical trial coordinators



Alpha Stem Cell Clinic



Alpha Clinic



University of California  
San Francisco



Alpha Clinic



USC+CHLA Alpha Clinic

UC San Diego

SANFORD STEM CELL INSTITUTE  
Sanford Stem Cell Clinical Center

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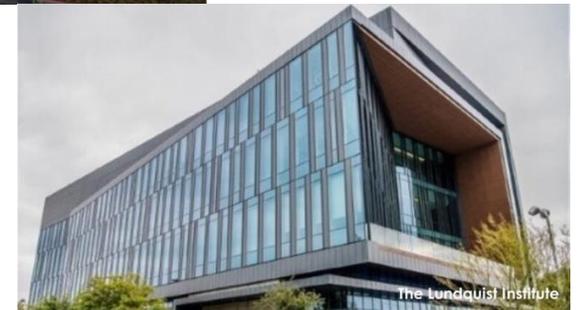
# Community Care Centers of Excellence (CCCEs)

**CIRM's INFR8 Program funds 3 health centers across California**

Goals of the network:

- Expand the capacity of the Alpha Clinics
- Promote access to human clinical trials and the accessibility of treatments and cures arising from institute-funded research
- Establish geographically diverse centers of excellence to conduct clinical trials and to seek to make the resulting treatments and cures broadly available to California patients

**Contact:** [ccce@circm.ca.gov](mailto:ccce@circm.ca.gov)



# Shared Resources Labs for Stem Cell-Based Modeling

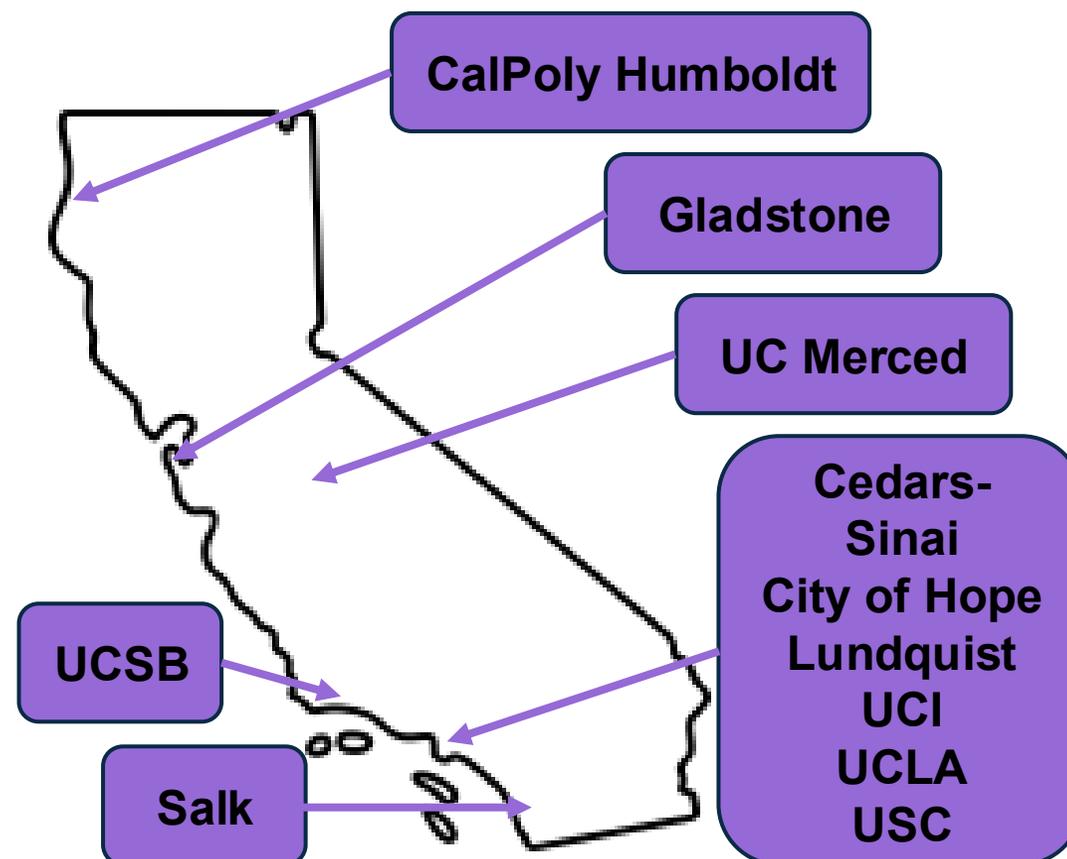
## CIRM-funded infrastructure program to support California researchers and educators by:

- Providing access to core facility, specialized services, and equipment
- Sharing models/expertise and resources for research **broadly across CA**
- Training researchers
- Providing educational resources / activities (including formal techniques courses)

General information: <https://www.cirm.ca.gov/shared-labs/>

Browse offerings: <https://cirmhub.cirm.ca.gov/page/public-resources>

Contact: [ugrieshammer@cirm.ca.gov](mailto:ugrieshammer@cirm.ca.gov)



# Shared Resources Labs

## *Stem Cell-Based Modeling Expertise & Technologies*

SRL	Organs / Tissues Modeled (2D, organoids)	Technologies / Services (Also available: omics, CRISPR, imaging, flow cytometry)
Cedars-Sinai	brain, heart, bone, blood, gut, lung, liver	automation, metabolism, <b>organ-on-chip</b>
COH	brain, heart, breast	single cell <b>proteomics</b> , electrophysiology, <b>bioprinting</b> , <b>hypoxic incubators</b>
Gladstone	brain, heart, immune	automated cell culture and imaging, <b>LNP delivery</b> , <b>HTP drug screening</b>
Humboldt	brain	
Lundquist	brain, heart, blood, lung, bone, cartilage, intestine, pancreas	metabolism
Salk	brain (aging)	metabolism, direct reprogramming
UCI		<b>imaging mass cytometry</b> , <b>3D bioprinting</b>
UCLA	brain, skeletal muscle	automated cell culture and imaging, small molecule screening
UCM	vascular	small animal models for stem cell-based model characterization, <b>microfluidic microvascular networks</b>
UCSB	brain, retina, embryo (neuro dev)	<b>HTP drug screening</b> , <b>HTP lenti generation</b> , <b>HTP ELISAs</b>
USC	brain, kidney, intestine, cartilage	electrophysiology

# Shared Resources Labs

SRL	Courses and other educational opportunities
Cedars-Sinai	Stem Cell Techniques, Advanced Organoid / <b>Organ Chip</b> Training
COH	Stem Cell Techniques & Models
Gladstone	Stem Cell Techniques, <b>Bioinformatics</b> Workshop
Humboldt	Summer Experience, <b>Clinician Professional Development</b>
Lundquist	Stem Cell Techniques
Salk	Stem Cell Techniques, Models of Brain Cell Types to Study Aging
UCI	Stem Cell Techniques, Training <b>Mass Cytometry</b> (Helios/CyTOF), <b>Imaging Mass Cytometry</b> (Hyperion), <b>Bioengineering / Bioprinting</b> Bootcamp
UCLA	Stem Cell Techniques, Basic and Advanced <b>Automation</b> Training
UCM	Stem Cell Techniques, Advanced <b>Characterization of iPSCs In Vivo</b> : Small Animal Imaging
UCSB	Stem Cell Techniques, Integrated <b>Embryo Models (Neural Dev)</b> Workshop
USC	Stem Cell Techniques

# Where can I find out more?

## CIRM website



- [EDUC Programs](#)
- [Shared Resource Labs](#)
- [Alpha Clinics](#)
- [Manufacturing Network](#)
- [CIRM Hub](#) (Education Resources)
- [Reach out](#) to CIRM Education

# Consultation Requests



Review EDUC RFA/PA; compile programmatic questions



Email [education@circm.ca.gov](mailto:education@circm.ca.gov) to request a consultation form



Submit consultation request form  
(5-10 mins)



Wait for CIRM to provide a (1) written response or (2) a link to schedule time with Science Officers

# Thank you!

**EDUC8: Applications due April 1, 2026, 2pm PST**

**EDUC3: Applications due May 28, 2026, 2pm PST**

Programmatic Questions  
**education@cirm.ca.gov**

Review Questions  
**review@cirm.ca.gov**

Budget and Grants Admin Questions  
**grantsmanagement@cirm.ca.gov**

## Education

[www.cirm.ca.gov/programs/  
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Please reference documents  
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