AACR-Hope Scarves Metastatic Breast Cancer Innovation and Discovery Grant

2025 Program Guidelines and Application Instructions

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PROGRAM SUMMARY
Hope Scarves and the AACR are proud to announce the 2025 AACR-Hope Scarves Metastatic Breast Cancer Innovation and Discovery Grant. This grant mechanism aims to foster innovation and advance the translation of promising ideas in metastatic breast cancer research, including the exploration of potential therapeutic targets and biomarkers. By supporting efforts to bridge basic science with emerging treatment strategies, the grant also aims to foster the development of the next generation of cancer researchers.

Research projects may be basic, clinical, or translational in nature and must have direct applicability and relevance to metastatic breast cancer. Applications are invited from researchers currently studying metastatic breast cancer, as well as investigators with experience in other areas of cancer or biomedical research.

This grant provides $50,000 over one year for expenses related to the research project. Grant funds may be used for research expenses attributable to the project, which may include supplemental salary support, equipment, research/laboratory supplies, and other research expenses. Indirect costs are **not** allowed.

APPLICATION DEADLINE
July 24, 2025, at **1:00 p.m. U.S. Eastern Time**

We recommend confirming this time in your respective time zone. To do so, please use a time zone converter.

NOTIFICATION OF AWARD
October 2025

START OF GRANT TERM
November 1, 2025

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
*All applicants with questions about eligibility should contact AACR's Research and Grants Administration (RGA) at grants@aacr.org **before** submitting an application.*

At the start of the grant term on November 1, 2025, applicants must:
- Have a doctoral degree (PhD, MD, MD/PhD, or equivalent) in a related field and not currently be a candidate for a further doctoral degree.
- Be an **independent investigator** working at an academic, medical, or non-profit research institution.
  - If eligibility is based on a future position, the position must be confirmed at the time of application, and <u>CANNOT</u> be contingent upon receiving this grant.
  - If the future position is at a different institution than the applicant's current institution, the applicant must contact AACR's RGA at grants@aacr.org **before** submitting their application for information on additional verification materials/signatures that may be required.
  - There are no citizenship or geographic requirements. However, by submitting an application for this grant, an applicant applying from an institution located in a country in which they are not a

citizen or a permanent resident assures that their visa status will provide sufficient time to complete the project within the grant term at the institution from which they applied.

- o Postdoctoral or clinical research fellows or the equivalent who are working under the auspices of a scientific mentor are **not eligible** to apply. Qualified fellows are invited to apply for an AACR Fellowship.
- o Employees or subcontractors of a U.S. government entity or for-profit private industry are **not eligible**. Employees or subcontractors of a U.S. government entity or for-profit private industry may serve as Collaborators, but no grant funds may be directed toward these individuals.
- Be an AACR **Active Member** in good standing (dues paid for the current year).
  - o Annual dues are not required for members located in countries building cancer research capacities (view list of eligible countries here).
  - o Nonmembers interested in this grant opportunity must submit a satisfactory application for AACR Active membership by the application deadline. Nonmembers can apply for membership online and should review the Membership Categories for the category that best fits their qualifications. Nonmembers must obtain a statement of support from a nominator who is an AACR Active Member in good standing (dues paid for the current year). If assistance is needed to find a nominator, email membership@aacr.org to receive a list of members in your geographical location. For more information check the membership FAQ.
  - o Members can renew their membership through myAACR using their email address and password. If assistance is needed with logging in, please submit a help form. Lapsed members must be in good standing by the application deadline and should contact the Membership Department at membership@aacr.org for assistance.

AACR is obligated to comply with U.S. laws and regulations regarding research and related transactions in countries subject to US Government enforcement of economic and trade sanctions for particular foreign policy and national security reasons. If your proposed project involves US Government sanctioned countries subject to restrictions, please contact AACR's RGA at grants@aacr.org.

Investigators may submit only **one** application for the AACR-Hope Scarves Metastatic Breast Cancer Innovation and Discovery Grant but may concurrently apply for other AACR grants. However, applicants are expected to accept the first grant they are awarded. Individuals may accept and hold only one AACR grant at a time.

Current AACR grantees may apply only if their current grant ends before the start of the grant term of this funding opportunity (i.e., November 1, 2025). Also, the terms of their current grant must require that the final progress reports be approved by the AACR before November 1, 2025.

Members of the AACR Breast Cancer Research Grants Scientific Review Committee are not eligible to apply for an AACR-Hope Scarves Metastatic Breast Cancer Innovation and Discovery Grant.

ANNUAL GRANTEE RECOGNITION EVENT
Grant recipient is required to attend the Annual Grantee Recognition Event held during the AACR Annual Meeting 2026 to formally accept their grant. Up to $2,000 of the grant funds may be used to support the grantee's attendance at this event.

In the event of unforeseen scheduling changes, the Grantee will be contacted regarding alternative arrangements.

EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

Applications will be peer-reviewed by a Scientific Review Committee comprised of researchers and physician-scientists respected for their own accomplishments in breast cancer research and viewed as leaders in the field. The President of the AACR will appoint the members of the Scientific Review Committee.

The Committee will consider the following criteria when reviewing applications and determining funding decisions:

- *Investigator*. Does the applicant have the necessary training and experience to successfully implement the proposed project? Is the applicant at an institution with appropriate resources to perform the research?
- *Project Focus.* Does the proposed project demonstrate satisfactory relevance to metastatic breast cancer? Does it address a significant question or problem in the field or offer new insights and approaches?
- *Experimental Plan.* Is the overall strategy, design and methodology well-reasoned and appropriate to accomplish the specific aims of the proposed project within the grant term? Is the proposed project grounded in solid scientific principles and theories?
- *Innovation and Significance.* Are the scientific and technical merits of the proposed project significant? Does the research have the potential to provide new treatment options or predictive biomarkers for metastatic breast cancer? Does the research demonstrate innovation and translation of ideas that bridge basic science with emerging treatment strategies?

TOBACCO INDUSTRY FUNDING AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST STATEMENT

Scientists and health professionals who are funded by the tobacco industry for any research project are not eligible for any AACR grant. A Grantee who accepts funding from the tobacco industry for any research project during the term of an AACR grant must inform the AACR of such funding, whereupon the AACR grant will be immediately terminated.

Tobacco industry funding is defined for purposes of AACR grant applicants and recipients as money provided or used for all or any of the costs of any research project, including personnel, consumables, equipment, buildings, travel, meetings and conferences, and operating costs for laboratories and offices. It is not defined as money provided or used for meetings or conferences that don't relate to a particular research project.

Tobacco industry funding includes: funds from a company that is engaged in or has affiliates engaged in the manufacture of tobacco produced for human use; funds in the name of a tobacco brand, whether or not the brand name is used solely for tobacco products; funds from a body set up by the tobacco industry or by one or more companies engaged in the manufacture of tobacco products.

The following do not constitute tobacco industry funding for the purposes of this policy:

- Legacies from tobacco industry investments (unless the names of a tobacco company or cigarette brand are associated with them)
- Funding from a trust or foundation established with assets related to the tobacco industry but no longer having any connection with the tobacco industry even though it may bear a name that (for historical reasons) is associated with the tobacco industry.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

The AACR requires applicants to submit an online application by **1:00 p.m. U.S. Eastern Time on Thursday, July 24, 2025,** using the ProposalCentral website at https://proposalcentral.com/.

In order to submit a complete application, applicants need to enter information directly into the online application platform as well as upload a number of documents. Below are details about information that needs to be entered and the materials that need to be uploaded. The Application Format section numbering corresponds with the section number of the online ProposalCentral application.

Information to be Entered Directly into ProposalCentral	Application Format Section	ProposalCentral Section
Project Title and Acknowledgement of Reading the Terms and Conditions	1) Title Page	1) Title Page
Applicant Information	4) Applicant	4) Applicant
Institution and Contact Information	5) Institution & Contacts	5) Institution & Contacts
Collaborator Information (if applicable)	6) Collaborators	6) Collaborators
Lay Abstract	7.A) Lay Abstract	7) Abstracts
Scientific Abstract	7.B) Scientific Abstract	7) Abstracts
Specific Aims	8) Specific Aims	8) Specific Aims
Budget Period Detail	9) Budget Period Detail	9) Budget Period Detail
Budget Summary and Justification	10) Budget Summary and Justification	10) Budget Summary and Justification
Pending and Other Support	11) Pending and Other Support	11) Pending and Other Support
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GETTING STARTED IN ProposalCentral

If you are a new user of ProposalCentral, click the "Need an account?" link and complete the registration process. After logging in, complete your Professional Profile before starting an application.

If you are already registered with ProposalCentral, access the site and log in with your Username and Password. If you have forgotten your login information, click on the "Forgot Your Password?" link.

To start an application, select the "Grant Opportunities" tab. A list of grant opportunities will be displayed. The list of applications can be filtered for just this organization by clicking "Filter by Grant Maker" at the top and selecting "American Association for Cancer Research" in the drop-down menu. Find **"AACR-Hope Scarves Metastatic Breast Cancer Innovation and Discovery Grant"** and click the "Apply Now" button in the "Apply" column.

If you have any difficulties registering, logging in, or creating your application, contact ProposalCentral Customer Support at: 800-875-2562 (Toll-free U.S. and Canada), +1-703-964-5840 (Direct Dial International), or by email at pcsupport@altum.com. See the ProposalCentral FAQ section for additional information.

APPLICATION FORMAT

The following information is required to submit a complete application. Numbers correspond to the application sections found on the left side of the ProposalCentral website.

1. **TITLE PAGE.** Enter the title of the research project. The title is limited to no more than 100 characters (including spaces). Do not use abbreviations. A project title must be entered **and saved** before additional sections may be accessed.

    Terms and Conditions of the Grant. In order to ensure that the applicant is informed of the terms and conditions of the grant should they be selected as a recipient, applicant must acknowledge that they have read the Terms and Conditions and have shared them with their institution by typing in their name and date in the box provided.

    The terms and conditions of this grant may be modified or amended by the AACR prior to execution of the Grant Agreement. In addition, the grant recipient's institution may only request revisions to sections VII.F.; XII.; XIII.F.; and XIV.A. of the Grant Agreement after the recipient has been awarded. Only in special circumstances will revisions be considered in sections other than those noted above.

2. **DOWNLOAD TEMPLATES & INSTRUCTIONS.** The Program Guidelines and Application Instructions, Terms and Conditions, and all templates can be downloaded from this page.

    See Section 13 below for how to complete and upload the templates. This application also requires additional attachments for which templates are not provided (i.e., Letter(s) of Collaboration, Supporting Documentation, and Appendices, if applicable).

3. **ENABLE OTHER USERS TO ACCESS THIS PROPOSAL.** Optional.

4. **APPLICANT.** Enter information for the applicant. Applicants must include their contact information, including e-mail address, phone number, mailing address, and AACR membership information.

Applicants are also strongly encouraged to have an ORCID iD and include this identifier with their application.

5. **INSTITUTION & CONTACTS.** Enter information regarding the applicant's institution and signing official.

6. **COLLABORATORS.** Optional. Enter information for your collaborators (if applicable). Collaborators are independent researchers who have an integral role in the proposed project. Do not enter information for fellows or research assistants working on the proposed project as they are not considered collaborators. While collaborators are allowable, note that Co-Principal Investigators are **NOT** permitted.

7. **ABSTRACTS.** If funded, these Abstracts will become public information; therefore, do not include proprietary or confidential information.

    A. **Lay Abstract.** Limited to 3,000 characters (including spaces) and must provide a clear, concise, and comprehensive overview of the proposed research project in language suitable for a non-scientific audience. Do not use abbreviations unless absolutely necessary.

    B. **Scientific Abstract.** Limited to 3,000 characters (including spaces) and must provide a brief scientific summary of the proposed research project.

    From the lists provided, select the research areas that are most applicable to this project (*select no more than two*); select the tumor site that is most applicable to this project (*select only one)*; and indicate how you found out about this grant opportunity.

8. **SPECIFIC AIMS.** Use the add button ⊕ to initiate a Specific Aim entry. Each Specific Aim should be no longer than 400 characters, including spaces. Be sure to click the 'Save' button after each Specific Aim entry.

9. **BUDGET PERIOD DETAIL.** Applicants should submit a budget in the amount of $50,000. Appropriate budget expenditures include the salary and benefits of the grant recipient, postdoctoral or clinical research fellows, graduate students (including tuition costs associated with graduate students' education and training), and research assistants, or collaborators; research/laboratory supplies; equipment; publication charges for manuscripts that pertain directly to the funded project; and other research expenses. The percentage of salary requested may not exceed the percent effort the applicant and other personnel will dedicate to the project. (See the terms and conditions of the grant for information on publishing in AACR journals.) Budget requests for equipment that exceed 10% of the total budget must be accompanied by detailed justification.

    The grantee **must** attend the Annual Grantee Recognition Event during the AACR Annual Meeting 2026 to formally accept the grant. Up to $2,000 may be allocated from the grant funds to support grantee's registration and attendance at this event. Up to $1,000 may also be allocated from the grant funds to support grantee's attendance at the AACR Grantee Summit 2026. Travel funds are for the grantee **ONLY**. Use of grant funds for other travel expenses is not permitted.

    Indirect costs, travel (other than to the Annual Grantee Recognition Event and AACR Grantee

Summit noted above), professional membership dues, and any other research-related expenses not directly related to this project are **not** allowable expenses. For the purposes of this grant, any general office supplies or individual institutional administrative charges (e.g., telephone, other electronic communication, utilities, IT network, etc.) are considered indirect costs and are **not** allowable budget line items. In addition, no grant funds may be directed towards the salary or benefits of any individuals from a U.S. government entity or for-profit industry, nor for any research expenses related to the project that are incurred by these individuals.

To enter personnel cost line items, click the add button *and enter the necessary values. Please note that the start and end dates are pre-populated.*

To enter non-personnel cost line items, click the add button *and be sure to save regularly to prevent loss of data.*

A detailed budget justification explaining the allocation of grant funds must accompany the application. See Section 10 below.

10. **BUDGET SUMMARY AND JUSTIFICATION.** The budget details entered in the previous section will be summarized on this page. Scroll to the bottom of the page to enter detailed personnel and non-personnel cost justifications.

11. **PENDING AND OTHER SUPPORT.** Use the add button to add Pending and Other Support. If you have Other Support saved in your professional profile, you may select from the available list and save. To add a new Other Support entry, click 'Create New Other Support'. Enter the required information, then click 'Save and Close' on each page to add the Other Support to your application.

    NOTE: If at any time prior to selection and notification, an applicant is awarded any funding that may overlap with the AACR-Hope Scarves Metastatic Breast Cancer Innovation and Discovery Grant, the applicant must notify the AACR immediately.

    If you have no Pending and Other Support to report, select the corresponding checkbox:

12. **ORGANIZATIONAL ASSURANCES.** Select the appropriate assurance options for your proposed research and complete the Approved or Pending Date field as appropriate (i.e., mm/dd/yyyy, N/A, or None). The assurances/certifications are made and verified by the signature of the institutional official signing the application. If a grant is awarded, IRB and/or IACUC approval (if applicable) must be submitted in writing to AACR's RGA.

13. **APPLICATION DOCUMENTS.**
    Formatting Instructions. Applicants must adhere to the following instructions in completing the templates. Failure to observe type size specifications and page limits will result in the return of the application without review.
    - Type size. Must use 12-point Times New Roman for the text, and no smaller than 9-point type for figures, legends, and tables.
    - Single-spaced text. Single-spacing is acceptable, and space between paragraphs is recommended.

- Margins. The page margins must be no less than 0.75 inches on each side.
- Tips and techniques for inserting images in documents.
  - Reduce the file size of documents with images by "inserting" the image (as opposed to "cutting" and "pasting"). Save graphical images as a JPG or GIF file. Insert the image into the document by selecting "Insert – Picture – From File" from the MS Word menu.
  - Insert only GIF or JPG graphic files as images in your Word document. Other graphical file formats are either very large or difficult to manipulate in the document.
  - Do not insert Quick Time or TIFF objects into your document.
  - Anchor the images that you embed in your document.
  - Once you have anchored the inserted image, you can format text to wrap around the image.
  - Do not edit your images in Word. Use a graphics program.
  - Do not embed your images in tables, text boxes, and other form elements.
  - Do not add annotations over the images in Word. Add annotations to the images in a graphics program.

When a template is provided, the template MUST be used. Prepare and upload the following documents to your application in portable document format (PDF):

A. **Experimental Plan.** *Applicants are required to use the template available from the ProposalCentral website.* Enter your name and the title of the research project in the space provided in the header of the template. The title is limited to no more than 100 characters. Do not use abbreviations. The information must be presented in this order:
   I. **Experimental Plan**. Limited to one page. Please provide a clear, concise, and comprehensive overview of the proposed work. Include information regarding background, rationale, methods, and any existing tools at your disposal.
   II. **References.** *Optional*. If references are included, they must be limited to one page. AACR reference style follows that of the *Uniform Requirements for Manuscripts Submitted to Biomedical Journals*. Note that for articles with more than six authors, the names of the first six authors must be listed, followed by "et al". For articles with six or fewer authors, all authors should be listed.

B. **Project Milestones.** *Applicants are required to use the template available from the ProposalCentral website. Please submit the Milestones Template with only Column A completed.* The Milestones Template is meant to list the various steps necessary to complete your research goals and the estimated time it will take to complete each step. Please list your name and the specific aims for the proposed project at the top of the template. Underneath each time period, identify the steps that will be needed to accomplish the aim(s) in that time period. For each step, note the corresponding aim in parentheses. Rows may be added/deleted to the template as needed. For the purposes of submitting the template with your application, **only the information requested above entered into Column A is needed**. Reporting progress towards milestones using this template will be incorporated into the reporting requirements for the project if funded.

C. **Applicant's Biographical Sketch.** *Applicants are required to use the template available from the ProposalCentral website.* This template as well as a biosketch example are available for download from the ProposalCentral platform. All sections must be complete and must be in English.

D. **Biographical Sketch(es) of Collaborator(s).** *If applicable, collaborators are required to use the template available from the ProposalCentral website*. A biographical sketch must be uploaded for each collaborator listed in Section 6. This template as well as a biosketch example are available for download from the ProposalCentral platform. All sections must be complete and must be in English.

E. **Letter(s) of Collaboration.** A Letter of Collaboration must be uploaded from each collaborator listed in Section 6. The letter should confirm the scope of the collaborators' involvement in the proposed research.

F. **Supporting Documentation.** Acceptable supporting documentation includes letters of commitment from collaborating clinicians, drug manufacturers, or any collaborator providing data or materials necessary for the proposed research. Supporting documentation should state a commitment to providing stated data/materials or confirm applicant's access to said data/materials. Supporting documentation should be included only to provide information on the ability to provide for a research need and should not comment on the applicant or research environment. **Any documentation deemed by AACR's RGA to be a letter of reference for the applicant is not considered supporting documentation and will be removed from the application**. Each supporting document is <u>limited to one page</u> and must be presented on the appropriate <u>institutional or company letterhead</u>.

There is no limit to the number of supporting documents that may be provided, however, documents that do not satisfactorily meet the description of supporting documentation provided above, or uploads such as tables, charts, articles, and other inappropriate additional materials will be removed.

G. **Appendices.** Appendices are not required and may **ONLY** be used for the following materials. Appendices are not to include figures, tables, or other data that otherwise should be contained within the Experimental Plan. The following materials are permitted:
   - Clinical trial protocols
   - Unpublished manuscripts (published manuscripts should not be attached as appendices; please list as a citation on the References page of the Experimental Plan)
   - <u>Large size</u> versions of figures and/or <u>detailed legends</u> presented in the Experimental Plan

   The use of this appendix is in no way intended to increase the Experimental Plan page limit. Use of this appendix is restricted to no more than one page of figures and/or legends. This appendix is to be used when reducing the size of the figure or legend to fit within the Experimental Plan would significantly compromise the quality of the image. **Overuse or misuse of this appendix may result in your application being rejected or your appendix being removed from your application**.

H. **Applicant Checklist**. To ensure each applicant's eligibility, this checklist is required for all applicants. The checklist MUST be downloaded from the ProposalCentral site, completed, and signed by all required parties. Electronic/digital signatures are permitted. These signatures transmitted by electronic means shall have the same force and effect as original signatures. Please note that if eligibility is based on a future position, the position must be confirmed at the

time of application, and CANNOT be contingent upon receiving this grant.

The **signed Applicant Checklist** must be uploaded to your online application in the Application Documents section.

Uploading the attachments into your application. *Only PDF attachments are permitted for this application submission.*
- Open your online application and go to the section for attaching files. Click the blue "Attach Files" button.
- Select the appropriate type of attachment from the drop-down list.
- Enter your own description of the file in the "Describe Attachment" field.
- Select the file from your computer or drag and drop to upload an attachment.
- Click on the "Upload and Continue" button. You will get a confirmation message on your screen that the file was uploaded successfully. You will also see that your file is now listed in the "Current list of uploaded attachments" section of the screen. Clicking the "Back" or "Upload and Return" button allows you to go back to the main page of this section where the uploaded documents should now be listed. **Click the download icon next to the file name to open and view your uploaded documents.** To delete the file, click on the trashcan icon to the right under the "Delete" column.

In the section for attachments, all the required attachments are listed in the middle of the screen, just below where you upload your files. This list of required attachments helps you track completion of application documents. Once you upload a required attachment, that attachment type will be removed from the required list and will be displayed in the "Current list of uploaded attachments."

If you wish to modify the attached file, make the revisions to your *original* file on your computer, convert the file to PDF, and use the same process above to attach the new file. **Delete any previously submitted versions of the file before submitting your application.**

SUBMITTING COMPLETE APPLICATION
14. **PI DATA SHEET.** Verify that the applicant's gender, race, and ethnicity have been entered properly. This is automatically populated based on the applicant's Professional Profile within ProposalCentral. Changes to the selections on this screen will be reflected in your Professional Profile. The information is handled separately from the application and will not be provided to the Scientific Review Committee.

15. **SIGNATURE PAGE(S).** To ensure that all parties have approved the application, electronic signatures are required from the Applicant/PI and Signing Official. Any user whose signature is required will have automatic access to this application. An email notification is sent to all signatories when a signature is provided.

To sign, enter your name, then click the sign button **Sign**
Use the "Download Application" button to download a copy of your application, including attachments.

NOTE: Data entered into the online application are automatically included in the application Signature Page. If information is missing, it could be because you have not entered the information

in one of the online application sections **OR** the information is not required for this grant program. If the institution's Employer Identification Number (EIN) is not completed on the Signature Page, please request your institution to provide that information in their ProposalCentral profile.

While the "Print Signature Pages" option allows applicants to download the Signature Page, Application Contacts, Scientific Abstract and Budget, the AACR **strongly encourages** applicants to also use the "Print Signature Pages with Attachments" option. This option can be used if your institution wishes to review the full application but also should be used by the applicant to ensure that your attachments are uploaded properly. The following application materials will **not** be present when using this option: Applicant Checklist, Pending and Other Support. Absence of these materials should **not** be considered an error. If your institution requires all components of the application for review, the above documents need to be printed separately by the applicant.

Errors may occur when the uploaded PDF files are assembled by the system. Please check to ensure that all pages of each attachment appear in the "Print Signature Pages with Attachments" option. If you are having any issues with this option, please contact ProposalCentral customer support at: 800-875-2562 (Toll-free U.S. and Canada), +1-703-964-5840 (Direct Dial International), or by e-mail to pcsupport@altum.com.

16. **VALIDATE.** Validate the application on ProposalCentral. This is an essential step. "Validate" checks for required data and attachments. You will not be able to submit an application if any of the required information and attachments have not been provided.

17. **SUBMIT.** After successfully passing the validation check, click the "Submit" button. An e-mail will be sent to you confirming your submission.

   Once your application is submitted you may view it by selecting "Submitted" from the "Proposal Status" drop-down menu under the 'Proposals' tab, then clicking the "View" button under the Edit column. The status column will show "Submitted" and the date submitted. You may need to refresh your browser screen after submitting the application to see the updated status.

CHANGES TO YOUR APPLICATION
Withdrawal of Application. Please advise AACR's RGA promptly, in writing, should you decide to withdraw your application for any reason. Your correspondence should include your name, the grant opportunity to which you applied, the project title, and the reason for withdrawal.

Change of Address. Notify AACR's RGA in writing of any changes of address, e-mail, or phone number, following the submission of an application. Include your name and the ProposalCentral identification number. The e-mail address provided with your application will be used for all official communication about your submission including the recipient selection results. Your Professional Profile in ProposalCentral must be kept up to date.

Change of Institution or Position. If you change your institution or professional position, contact AACR's RGA to determine whether your application is still eligible for review.

INQUIRIES

Inquiries or technical issues regarding ProposalCentral and the online application process should be directed to customer support at: 800-875-2562 (Toll-free U.S. and Canada), +1-703-964-5840 (Direct Dial International), or by e-mail to pcsupport@altum.com.

Inquiries about the program guidelines, eligibility requirements, and application materials can be directed to AACR's RGA at grants@aacr.org.

MORE ABOUT THE PARTNERS

Hope Scarves is an international non-profit organization based in Louisville, Kentucky with the mission to support people facing cancer through scarves, stories, and research. Since its founding in 2012, Hope Scarves has shared over 38,000 scarves and stories with cancer survivors in all 50 states and 37 countries. A percentage of every dollar received by Hope Scarves is invested in metastatic breast cancer research. Furthermore, donors can specify that 100% of their donation is to be invested in our Metastatic Breast Cancer Research Fund. Since 2016, Hope Scarves has raised and invested $1.3 million dollars in basic, translational, and clinical research.
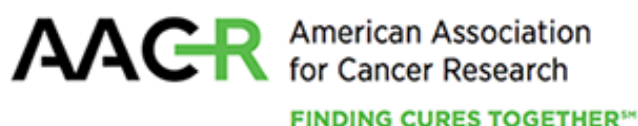
Founded in 1907, the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) is the world's first and largest professional organization dedicated to advancing cancer research and its mission to prevent and cure cancer. AACR membership includes more than 58,000 laboratory, translational, and clinical researchers; population scientists; other health care professionals; and patient advocates residing in 141 countries and territories around the world. Presently, 34% of members live outside the United States and 20% of AACR's international members are located in countries building cancer research capacity. The AACR offers seven categories of membership to support each aspect of our members' professional development and enhancement in cancer research. In support of the professional development of early-career researchers, no annual dues are required for Associate membership. The AACR marshals the full spectrum of expertise of the cancer community to accelerate progress in the prevention, biology, diagnosis, and treatment of cancer by annually convening more than 30 conferences and educational workshops, the largest of which is the AACR Annual Meeting with more than 22,500 attendees. The AACR's Virtual 2020 Annual Meeting attracted over 74,000 attendees. In addition, the AACR publishes ten prestigious, peer-reviewed scientific journals and a magazine for cancer survivors, patients, and their caregivers. The AACR funds meritorious research directly as well as in cooperation with numerous cancer organizations. As the Scientific Partner of Stand Up To Cancer, the AACR provides expert peer review, grants administration, and scientific oversight of team science and individual investigator grants in cancer research that have the potential for near-term patient benefit. The AACR actively communicates with legislators and other policymakers about the value of cancer research and related biomedical science in saving lives from cancer. For more information about the AACR, visit www.AACR.org.