



FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR PILOT GRANTS OPEN TO FRED HUTCH BASED CANCER CONSORTIUM MEMBERS September 2022

RELEASE DATE: SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

DUE DATE: OCTOBER 21, 2022

Funds are available from Safeway, Inc. to support cancer-related pilot projects put forth by Fred Hutch-based Consortium members. This competition will provide awards of up to \$100,000 direct costs (F&A not included) for one year of pilot project support. **Fred Hutch early career investigators who are Consortium members are eligible for this pilot funding** (see *Application Process* for more details).

There are no limitations on research topic, as long as the problem under study is focused on cancer. Highly innovative concepts that have the potential to improve the lives of cancer patients are encouraged.

GUIDELINES

1. Up to five pilot awards will be made with donor funds received from Safeway, Inc. specifically earmarked for early career investigators with novel cancer research topics. Only early career investigators at the assistant level (tenure and non-tenure track) with primary appointments at Fred Hutch are eligible to apply for these particular awards as the donation was directed to Fred Hutch.
2. In your proposal, please show how this work is a pilot project. The application should:
 - Describe how this work is highly innovative, yet technically feasible.
 - Show how this work reveals the homegrown intellectual and creative strengths of the investigators. New collaborations are encouraged.
 - Describe how this work will benefit cancer prevention, diagnosis, or treatment.
 - Describe what 2-3 pieces of data can be gathered that will position this work for NIH or other external funding. Proposals with no preliminary data are encouraged.
 - Indicate how this grant is a timely opportunity that might otherwise be lost if delayed by the NIH review cycle.
3. Anticipated Funding:
Up to five pilot awards for \$100,000 direct costs each. **These awards do not include indirect costs.**
 - All Safeway funds must be expended at Fred Hutch. No subawards or staff assignments are allowed.

APPLICATION PROCESS

A. Eligibility

- Faculty who have received a CCSG-funded award of any kind or a Safeway pilot award within the last three years are not eligible to apply.
- Refer to the table below for Eligibility information.
- For additional information, please see the up-to-date listing of Consortium members posted at <http://www.cancerconsortium.org/membership>.

B. Application Content/Format

Applicants must complete and submit the following 2022 Safeway Pilot Application pages. The application should clearly outline the aims and the strategy of the project and why funding through this pilot grant mechanism is appropriate, including how you anticipate this support will generate future funding.

- Adhere to NIH font and line spacing guidelines as outlined here: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide/format-and-write/format-attachments.htm#font>.
- On page 1 of the application, include requested project information (see section regarding PI and Award Institution determination) and an abstract that states the primary hypothesis. The abstract and the proposal should both be written to be understandable by reviewers with diverse expertise, as the review panel will consist of faculty from across the Consortium.
- The scientific research plan should be 2 pages maximum. The budget, budget justification, figures/tables, and references can each be one additional page. No subawards or staff assignments are allowed with Safeway funding.
- If you have received CCSG pilot funding in the past five years, include a summary (1 page maximum) describing the main aim of the funded project, and whether any publications, new collaborations, or external grants resulted from the funding.
- Include an NIH Biosketch listing your current sources of funding and a one-line description of the primary goal of each funded grant. A biosketch should be included for each key personnel involved with the project. FAQs on the current NIH Biosketch format, samples, and templates: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/faq_biosketches.htm (updated January 2022).

C. Criteria for funding

Applications should meet the criteria stated above in the *Guidelines* section. Successful applications will:

- Advance cancer-related research.
- Yield pivotal data in a one-year timeframe.
- Use cutting edge approaches.
- Represent unique intellectual perspectives coupled with cutting edge approaches.

D. Application Due Date

Applications are due **October 21, 2022 by 5:00 pm Pacific**. Applications received after this deadline will not be accepted for evaluation by the Review Committee.

E. Application Submission

Applications should be submitted via email as one complete pdf file to: cancerconsortium@fredhutch.org.

Your PDF file should be named: Lastname_Application_date.pdf

Receipt of all applications will be acknowledged within 48 business hours.

F. Award Timeline

Applications will be reviewed in November and funding is expected to begin by December 1, 2022. Access to award funds is subject to Fred Hutch Office of Sponsored Research (OSR) review and receipt of all compliance documents such as FVAFs, PI Assurances, etc.

Please contact Kris Blair, PhD – Research Development Specialist, Cancer Consortium with questions about this RFA at: kblair@fredhutch.org with any questions.

Eligibility and Application Guidelines

Eligibility
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only eligible applicants may serve as Principal Investigator (PI) on the Pilot Award.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants must be Assistant level faculty with a primary appointment at Fred Hutch.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants must be Consortium members by the application deadline to be eligible.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consortium members in Acting faculty positions, faculty with Consortium Affiliate memberships, and Non-Consortium faculty can be budgeted in the pilot project as collaborators, if located at Fred Hutch, but can not serve as the PI.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The PI's primary institution must be the same as the award institution. No staff assignments or subawards will be allowed to move funds between institutions.
Additional Application Guidelines
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PI of the application must have some measurable effort on the project for direction and supervision. Consortium leadership recommends the PI include some salary on the project.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hutch Grants routing will be required only after an award is made• No subawards or staff assignments are allowed.
Funding
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No subawards or staff assignments allowed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not allowable: tuition, upgrades to established shared resources, equipment, or F&A/indirect costs.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Funds should be spent in one year.• A single no-cost extension will be considered.• All no-cost extensions will be reviewed by the Consortium administrator.



Application for 2022 Safeway Pilot Awards

Project Title:

Key Personnel *(Please include an NIH Biosketch for each individual)*

Name	Professional Title	Role on Project	Primary Award Institution	Consortium Member? (Y/N)
		<i>PI</i>		

Does this study involve **foreign components**? Yes No

Does this study involve human subjects? Yes No Animals? Yes No

IRB/ IACUC Number: _____ Approval date: _____

(IRB and/or IACUC approval must be obtained if this grant is awarded and before any funds will be activated.)

Have you received CCSG pilot funding in the past 5 years? Yes No

PIs of awards conferred in the last three years are not eligible to apply to this competition.

(If yes, please complete page 8 of this application)

ABSTRACT *(200 words or less)*

Research Plan *(2 pages maximum)*

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DETAILED BUDGET FOR INITIAL BUDGET PERIOD DIRECT COSTS ONLY	FROM	THROUGH
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List PERSONNEL (*Applicant organization only*)
 Use Cal, Acad, or Summer to Enter Months Devoted to Project
 Enter Dollar Amounts Requested (*omit cents*) for Salary Requested and Fringe Benefits

NAME	ROLE ON PROJECT	Cal. Mnth	Acad. Mnth	Summer Mnth	INST.BASE SALARY	SALARY REQUESTED	FRINGE BENEFITS	TOTAL
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SUBTOTALS	→			
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CONSULTANT COSTS

EQUIPMENT (*Itemize*)

SUPPLIES (*Itemize by category*)

TRAVEL

INPATIENT CARE COSTS

OUTPATIENT CARE COSTS

ALTERATIONS AND RENOVATIONS (*Itemize by category*)

OTHER EXPENSES (*Itemize by category*)

CONSORTIUM/CONTRACTUAL COSTS	DIRECT COSTS	
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SUBTOTAL DIRECT COSTS FOR INITIAL BUDGET PERIOD (<i>Item 7a, Face Page</i>)	\$
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CONSORTIUM/CONTRACTUAL COSTS	FACILITIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	
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TOTAL DIRECT COSTS FOR INITIAL BUDGET PERIOD	\$
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Budget Justification *(1 page maximum)*

References *(1 page maximum)*

Summary of Previous Results from CCSG-funded Pilot Project *(complete if applicable; 1 page maximum)*

NIH Biosketches for Key Personnel

Include biosketches for all key personnel involved with the pilot project, using the current NIH biosketch format.