

SCIENCE TRANSLATION AND INNOVATION RESEARCH (STAIR) GRANT PROGRAM - AUTUMN COHORT

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Please refer to the program RFP and Detailed Application Instructions, available on the Venture Catalyst proof-of-concept programs website at <https://venturecatalyst.ucdavis.edu/stair> **Important: Save this form to your computer** before entering information, then save the document again and check that the information was captured. See "Detailed Application Instructions" for more information.

Section 1: Project Overview

Project Title:

Check mark Impact Area as appropriate for your proposal (do not check more than 2 Impact Areas):

Sustainability and Climate

Food and Agriculture

Animal Health

Computing, Electronics and Information Systems

Summary of project (100 words or less):

Brief description of commercial potential and/or market application (200 words or less):

Section 2: Principal Investigator(s) (PI) and Key Personnel

Principal Investigator (PI) and Title:

Department, Center, Institute, or equivalent:

Phone (use format "1234567890"):

Employment status (e.g., faculty, % time appointment):

Email:

List of Joint Appointment(s), if any, at other Institutions:

Co-Principal Investigator, if any:

Name and Title:

Department, Center, Institute, or equivalent:

Phone (use format "1234567890"):

Employment status (e.g., faculty, post-doc, grad student, staff):

Email:

Other key personnel on the project (Name, Title, Department/Center/Institute, etc.):

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Section 3: Status of Intellectual Property (IP) related to project

Is the technology being addressed in the proposed project already covered by a patent or patent application?

(Enter "Yes" or "No")

If No, has the technology been disclosed to Technology Transfer Office through a Record of Invention (ROI)? (Enter "Yes" or "No".

Enter date of ROI.

If No, have you participated in a Pre-Application Meeting with Technology Transfer Office? Enter Yes or No.

Enter date of meeting:

 Name of Technology Transfer Office representative:

Section 4: Project costs and timeframe

Proposed Project Start Date:

 Proposed Project End Date:

Project funding requested (in \$): _____

Section 5: Research Plan

Proposal narrative may not exceed three (3) pages in length (a fourth page may additionally be utilized solely for supporting figures, images, or charts). The minimum font size is 11 point (Calibri, Arial, or Times New Roman fonts are acceptable fonts) and the minimum margin size is 0.75 inch on all sides. Include the Principal Investigator's name in the upper right-hand corner of each page. The Project Narrative should adequately cover all areas identified in the Review Criteria described in the RFP. **Optional for Resubmissions:** Response to Reviewer Feedback – **1 page only** – an applicant, if resubmitting their proposal could directly respond to critiques from the prior STAIR review. You could add this at the beginning of your Research Plan document. **Upload the proposal narrative file as a pdf document to the STAIR Grant page on the UC Davis InfoReady platform.**

Section 6: Budget, Timeline & Program Milestones

Please provide a budget and budget justification:

What could be accomplished towards the aims if the proposal were funded at \$50,000?

Is there a reasonable likelihood of achieving project objectives, given the available financial and technical resources identified or anticipated?

How appropriate is the timeline presented for achieving the proposal's objectives?

Include PI's name in upper right-hand corner.

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Section 7: Biographical Sketch

Attach a short biographical sketch (preferably two pages or less) for the PI, co-PI (if applicable) and any other key personnel (those individuals listed in Section 2, who are required for the successful completion of the project).

An NSF or NIH biographical sketch will suffice if a shorter one is not available.

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Section 8: Signature / Certification

I certify that this proposal meets STAIR Grant eligibility requirements, and that the research proposed in this application is not the subject of or covered by existing research funding or other financial support. Further, I understand that STAIR Grant funds must only be used for allowable costs (outlined in the “Allowable Costs” section of the RFP), and that my department would be responsible for any expenses deemed ineligible. Finally, I and /or the following member(s) of the project team intend to participate in a structured entrepreneurial training program approved by Venture Catalyst, or have previously participated in an approved program.

Principal Investigator:

PI Signature: _____

Date:

Co-Principal Investigator:

Co-PI Signature: _____

Date:

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PI acknowledges that, if the project is funded, the PI/co-PI and key personnel (including any students involved in the project) will attend a structured entrepreneurial training program approved by Venture Catalyst if they have not already done so.

Names of Key Personnel who have participated, or intend to participate, in a structured entrepreneurial training program approved by Venture Catalyst:

By signing this document, the department chair certifies that he or she has reviewed STAIR Grant program requirements (including allowable costs), has reviewed the proposal, and acknowledges that ineligible expenses will be the department’s responsibility, per the “Allowable Costs” section of the STAIR Grant RFP.

Department Chair:

Chair Signature: _____

Date: