

YALE UNIVERSITY ▾ SCHOLAR AWARD COMPETITION
RITA ALLEN FOUNDATION
Rita Allen Foundation Scholars Award 2019

DEADLINES

Expressions of Interest (PI Name, Project Title) by July 17, 2018 (required)

Internal Competition Deadline: July 31, 2018 at 5:00pm

Sponsor deadline for letters of intent: September 12, 2018

SPONSOR'S WEBSITE

Sponsor Homepage: <http://ritaallen.org/>

Program Information, FAQ & Recipient List: <http://ritaallen.org/scholars/>

About the Foundation, includes Scientific Advisory Committee: <http://ritaallen.org/about/>

FUNDING

Up to \$110,000 direct costs per year for 5 years. (Total: Up to \$550,000)

NOMINATION LIMITATION

Yale University may nominate one candidate.

PURPOSE

The Foundation invests in young leaders and their research, aiming to advance transformative ideas in their earliest stages and leverage them to promote breakthrough solutions. The program embraces innovative research with above-average risk and groundbreaking possibilities.

Support is provided to young investigators for basic biomedical research in the fields of cancer, immunology, and neuroscience. Scholars are distinguished by their bold approaches to basic scientific questions that address problems of global concern, as well as their potential for learning, leadership, and collaboration.

ELIGIBILITY

- Candidates must have completed their training and **provide persuasive evidence of distinguished achievement or extraordinary promise** in research in one of the relevant fields.
- Awards are made primarily to investigators undertaking basic or translational research.
- Preference for early career biomedical scientists who hold a **recent** junior faculty appointment and are fully independent. Recent appointees are typically within the first three years of their faculty careers, tenure-track, not yet tenured, and hold an appointment as assistant professor.
- Candidates must have received committed start-up funds and lab space from their institutions.
- **Recipients cannot hold any single early-career faculty development award totaling more than \$200,000 (collectively, as a total of all years of the award) from another private funding organization for the first year of the RAF award.**
- Past nominees cannot be re-nominated.

PAST YALE RECIPIENTS:

2007, Tae Hoon Kim • 2013, Elena Gracheva

INTERNAL COMPETITION PROCEDURES

See [Scholar Awards Internal Competition Procedures](http://your.yale.edu/node/9036) at <http://your.yale.edu/node/9036>.

For this internal competition, (1) the letter of recommendation should come from your department chair or section chief, and 2) on the face page at <http://your.yale.edu/node/9391>, include the names of a *minimum* of five potential writers of letters of recommendation who are well-acquainted with your work, at least two of whom are from outside Yale.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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