

Biomedical Research Initiation Collaborative Grants

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The Biomedical Research Initiation Collaborative (BRIC Grants) seek to foster health research collaborations and to strengthen the research relationship between the University of Tennessee Chattanooga and the Erlanger/UTCOM investigators by providing seed funding to collaborative teams embarking on new lines of biomedical research inquiry.

BRIC Awards Purpose

This funding opportunity will support collaborative projects, focused on all phases of biomedical research, to enable the development of preliminary data that will serve as the foundation for submission of competitive, extramural research grant applications.

Eligibility

- **All proposals must include Co-PIs – one representing UTCOM/Erlanger and one representing UTC.**
- **For UTC, eligible Co-PIs include tenured or tenure-track faculty; faculty in non-tenure roles, staff, and post-doctoral research fellows may participate as a research team member.**
- **For UTCOM/Erlanger, eligible Co-PIs include all faculty members, residents, and clinical fellows.**

Funding and Budget Guidelines

- Erlanger/UTCUM and UTC will fund up to \$25,000 per award total. Please provide in the budget justification a rationale for how the funds will be utilized.
- The budget period is for 12 months beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023.
- Grant funds may be budgeted for the following:
 - Research support personnel including student research assistants, medical residents, etc.
 - Travel necessary to perform the research
 - Research participant support or incentives (Please note that the [UT system-wide policy on gift cards](#) must be followed for UT budget allocations.)
 - Small equipment, research supplies and core lab costs, or
 - Other purposes deemed necessary for the successful execution of the proposed project
- The following are unallowable costs:
 - Salary support for Co-PIs
 - Additional service pay during the academic year for any type of personnel
 - Indirect or F&A costs
 - Budget items that would supplant funds or resources that are available from other sources

BRIC Key Dates

- RFP released: August 22, 2022
- Workshop & Research Networking: September 14, 5-6pm, *POB* Dining Room of the *Erlanger* Medical Mall
- Application Submission Deadline: November 4, 2022
- Notification to Applicants: December 9, 2022
- Project Start Date: January 1, 2023
- Interim Report Deadline: June 30, 2023
- Project End Date: December 31, 2023
- Final Report Deadline: January 31, 2024
- Deadline for Extramural Funding Applications: January 1, 2025

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