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**Genes & Development Hearst Foundation  
Innovative Research and Educational  
Development Award**

**2008-2009**

**Application Deadline is 5:00 PM, Monday, June 2, 2008**

**Address Questions and Submit Applications to:**

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### Description of the Award Mechanism.

The William Randolph Hearst Foundation generously provided a gift to the Genes and Development program “to support young researchers in the Genes & Development graduate program”. A portion of this gift will be used in support of two \$20,000 awards, which will be given each year during the period of support by the Hearst Foundation. The major purpose of this award mechanism is to support **innovative research**, not previously funded by other mechanisms, developed and conducted by trainees and faculty in the G&D program. Priority will be given to applications that emphasize **education of trainees and their fundamental role(s) in the proposed research plan**.

### Application Instructions.

All application materials must be received before 5:00 p.m., Monday, June 2, 2008 and should include the following:

- Page 1: Project title; names of G&D faculty member and trainee(s) involved in proposed research and training; and, abstract of proposed research (no more than 150 words).
- Pages 2-4: Research description.
- Page 5: Budget justification.
- Page 6: NIH Biosketch of the Principal Investigator.
- Page 7: Signed copy of “**Principal Investigator and Trainee Certification**”.

### Organization of Research Description (Pages 2-4).

- A. Specific Aims.
- B. Significance of proposed research.
- C. Description of proposed research and training (including any references).
- D. Innovation presented by proposed research and educational opportunities.

### Budget Justification (Page 5).

- A. Salary support may not be requested.
- B. All equipment items  $\geq$  \$1,000, and individual supply items  $\geq$  \$2,000 require itemized detailed justification.
- C. Requests for computers, temporary housing, travel and travel-related expenses must be justified.

### Principal Investigator and Trainee Certification (Page 7).

The principal investigator and all trainees involved in the outlined research/education project must sign the certification page included at the end of this application.

**Eligibility.** One application per year may be submitted by a G&D faculty member. G&D program membership of faculty applicant is required. Previous awardees are not eligible to apply for a second award.

**Funding Duration.** The awards are limited to \$20,000, which must be spent over one year.

**Length of Application and Page Layout.** Maximum seven (7) pages in length. All pages must be submitted using 11 point Ariel or 12 point Times (minimum size), 3/4 inch side, top and bottom margins, and page numbers at the bottom of each page.

**Copies for Submission and the Review Process.** The original and four (4) copies of the completed application are to be delivered to the Director of the Genes & Development Program by 5:00 PM on the due date. The applications will be reviewed by a committee consisting of non-G&D faculty from the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer and/or faculty from other Texas Medical Center institutions.

**Notification of Award.** The Genes & Development Director will notify awardees after approval by the review committee. In addition, all awardees must comply with the institutional Conflict of Interest Policy VIII.A.2.01

**Reports from Awardees.** A report on the use of the funds and the outcome of the research will be required within 60 days after the end of the award period. A report must include: a) illustrative uses of funds; b) significance of the educational efforts undertaken in the accomplishment of the proposed research.

Project Title \_\_\_\_\_

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Principal Investigator \_\_\_\_\_

Abstract of Proposed Research and Training (maximum 150 words)

**Principal Investigator and Trainee Certification (application Page 7)**

As Principal Investigator or Trainee of this research proposal, I certify that the above information is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. If awarded financial support for this research proposal, I agree to:

1. Accept responsibility for the scientific and technical conduct of this research project, and, as required, provide a progress and final reports, in accordance with the instructions.
2. Acknowledge this grant as a source of support in publications. The preferred citation is "Supported by the William Randolph Hearst Foundation Research and Education Development Award".

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Principal Investigator Name (printed)	Signature	Date
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Trainee Name (printed)	Signature	Date
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