K Scholars Program in Mentored Translational Research

Scripps’ CTSA award supports mentored research in a career development post-doctoral program designed for young investigators to gain clinical and translational research experience as members of Scripps Research Translational Institute.

The K Scholars Program, directed by Dr. Laura Nicholson, is designed to provide early-career postdoctoral (MD, PhD, MD/PhD, PharmD, or equivalent) candidates with a novel career development experience in a precision medicine-focused institute at the forefront of genomics, digital medicine, machine learning, and community-engaged research. We are funded by an NIH Clinical Translational Science Award (CTSA) – PI Dr. Eric Topol.

Program Features and Information
- Targeted mentorship for the transdisciplinary research skills required for successful translational research careers
- Team science approach to promote innovation and impact
- Commitment to increasing diversity in research studies and the research workforce
- Protected 75% time for scholarly work and research training
- $25,000 annually for research-related expenses
- Minimum two year appointments
- Translational science coursework among topics in trial design, grant preparation, biostatistics, human genomics, computational biology, and social science implications of research

Eligibility Criteria
- Doctorate (such as MD, PhD, MD/PhD, PharmD, or equivalent)
- US citizen or permanent resident

Application Components
- Cover Letter / Personal Statement (maximum 1 page)
- Proposed Research Plan (maximum 5 pages)
- Recent CV/Resume
- Literature Citations (if applicable)
- Letters of Support
- Current NIH Biosketch (optional)

Online Application

About Scripps Research Translational Institute
Scripps Research Translational Institute promotes cutting-edge translational research in the areas of genomics, digital medicine, bioinformatics, data science, and community engaged research. We aim to replace the status-quo of one-size-fits-all-medicine with individualized health care. The Translational Institute is a member of the National Institutes of Health’s Clinical and Translational Science Awards consortium. https://ncats.nih.gov/ctsa

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