



SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MAY 5, 2012

The Triological Society (TRIO) and the American College of Surgeon's (ACS) combined competitive research career development program provides supplemental funding to otolaryngologist-head and neck surgeons who receive NIH Mentored Clinical Scientist Development Awards (K08) or Mentored Patient-Oriented Research Development Awards (K23).

Purpose: The TRIO and ACS are offering these awards as a means to facilitate the research career development of otolaryngologist-head and neck surgeons, with the expectation that awardees will have sufficient pilot data to submit a competitive R01 proposal prior to the conclusion of the K awards.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be M.D. otolaryngologist-head and neck surgeons and members of the American College of Surgeons. Applicants must meet all requirements as set forth in the K08 and K23 application criteria and must be recipients of a new K08 or K23 award or have an existing K08/K23 award with a minimum of 3 years remaining in the funding period as of June 1, 2012.

Mechanism of Support: Awards will use the K08 or K23 mechanisms. Planning, direction, and execution of the program will be the responsibility of the candidate and her/his mentor on behalf of the applicant institution. The project period will be for a period of up to five years with a minimum of three years. Awards are not renewable.

Research Objectives:

Environment: The institution must have a well-established research and clinical career development program and qualified faculty in clinical and basic research to serve as mentors. The institution must be able to demonstrate a commitment to the development of the awardee as a productive, independent investigator. The awardee, mentor and institution must be able to describe a multi-disciplinary career development program that will maximize the use of relevant research and educational resources.

Program: The award may provide three to five consecutive 12-month awards. At least 75 percent of the recipient's full-time professional effort must be devoted to the program and the remainder devoted to other clinical and teaching pursuits consistent with the objectives of the award.

Mentor(s): The recipient must receive appropriate mentoring throughout the program.

Allowable Costs: The TRIO and ACS will provide salary and fringe benefits for the NIH K08/K23 recipient. A combined total of \$80,000 per year in direct costs will be awarded to the institution of the awardee.

The institution may supplement the salary of the recipient up to a level that is consistent with the institution's salary scale. Institutional supplementation of salary must not require extra duties or responsibilities that would interfere with the purpose of the Mentored Clinical Scientist Development Award.

The TRIO and ACS will not reimburse indirect costs or institutional overhead.

Application Procedure

New NIH grant submissions: Applications should conform to the guidelines published for the NIH Mentored Clinical Scientist Development Award (K08) or Mentored Patient-Oriented Research Career Development Award (K23). Please see <http://www.nidcd.nih.gov/funding/> for details. Forms are available at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html>.

Submissions should include the following:

- ***Copy of complete grant application (K08 or K23)***
- ***Copy of the review summary***
- ***Copy of the award letter***
- ***A short summary (2-3 paragraphs) detailing how the TRIO/ACS grant will impact your research career***

Existing/Funded NIH grant submissions: K08 and K23 awards currently funded by NIH will be considered, provided they have a minimum of 3 years remaining in the funding period as of June, 2012.

Submissions should include the following:

- ***Copy of complete grant application***
- ***Copy of the review summary (pink sheets)***
- ***Copy of the award letter***
- ***Copy of progress reports***
- ***Copy of manuscripts published as a result of the K08/K23 research***
- ***A short summary (2-3 paragraphs) detailing how the TRIO/ACS grant will impact your research career***

Re-Submission: If you have previously applied for this TRIO/ACS grant and did not receive funding, you may reapply if you have a minimum of 3 years remaining in the funding period as of June, 2012. Your original application, review summary, award letter and any progress reports previously furnished are on file.

Resubmissions should include the following:

- Letter advising you are re-applying
- In letter, address any changes that have occurred since your previous submission. Include anything pertinent that will be of importance to the reviewers.
- Copy of any progress reports
- *Copy of manuscripts published as a result of the K08/K23 research*
- An updated summary detailing how the TRIO/ACS grant will impact your research career.

Review and Award Process: Applications will be reviewed by a committee consisting of members of the TRIO and ACS. Applicants will be notified in September of funding decisions. Funding will be effective October 1, 2012.

Submissions and questions should be directed to:

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