ANNOUNCING

The Pamela Sklar Psychiatric Genetics and Neuroscience Fellowship

2019-2020

The Stanley Center for Psychiatric Research at Broad Institute,
the MGH-McLean Hospital Adult Psychiatry Residency Research Concentration Program, and
the Brigham and Women's Hospital Harvard Longwood Residency Program

Available through the Stanley Center for Psychiatric Research at Broad Institute, this award will provide fellowship support for one to two years following residency training, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, (extending to June 30, 2021 upon successful review of the first year). A total of 1-2 awards will be granted annually.

Award

To create opportunities for advanced study and research in neuroscience, and to serve as a bridge between clinical training and the development of a research career, the Sklar Fellowship will start in the winter of the third post-graduate (PG3) year and extend through the PG5 year. During the PG3 and PG4 years, resident salary, up to 20%, is covered through the MGH/McLean residency (and an NIMH R25 grant) or the Brigham and Women's Hospital Harvard Longwood Residency Program; therefore, the award will cover supply costs to the laboratory joined for each awardee during this time. During PG5, salary support will be awarded to the successful candidate (up to $80,000 annually, with total award no greater than $125,000 per year). Indirect costs are capped at 20%. A full award is considered to represent at least 70% effort. To allow increased flexibility with respect to project time, the reviewing committee will consider a request to extend an award over the PG6 year continuing at 70-100% effort, providing that the applicant and the mentor provide a clear rationale and information on the applicant's plan for completion over the additional year period. Applicants currently in their PG3 or PG4 year are eligible to apply.

One mentor on the proposal must be a Broad Principal Investigator (PI) or selected from the list of participating mentors below. Additional mentors in active collaboration with Broad PIs may be considered as appropriate.

It is expected that recipients will update the Research Committee by submitting a three-page summary of progress statement on their funded research projects annually after beginning the fellowship and a final written report at the completion of the fellowship. Review criteria for second year stipends will focus primarily on the training plan, quality and extent of mentoring, and the candidate's potential to develop into a clinician-scientist.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must meet the following criteria to be considered for an award:

1. *Establish collaboration with a participating mentor prior to award date*
2. *Must already be an active member (or graduate) of the MGH/McLean Research Concentration Program or Brigham and Women's Hospital Harvard Longwood Residency Program*
3. *Proposed research must be conducted in collaborating faculty member's lab and applicant must devote at least 70% effort in PG5*
4. *May not hold any career development awards (e.g. K99) at the time this fellowship is awarded.*

Any questions about the fellowship application process should be directed to Rosy Hosking (rhosking@broadinstitute.org)

Application Process

Letter of Intent
A letter of intent, not to exceed two pages, should be emailed to Dr. Rosy Hosking (rhosking@broadinstitute.org) by **Monday, September 10th, 2018 at 5PM EST**, which should include a **project outline** and a **nominated mentor**. A full application will be invited following receipt of the letter of intent and after approval of the nominated mentor. Before submitting the full application, the candidate should arrange an in-person meeting with the identified mentor to develop the Research Plan.

Full application
One compiled electronic submission should be **emailed as a single PDF** to Dr. Rosy Hosking (rhosking@broadinstitute.org) by **Monday, November 12th, 2018 at 5PM EST.** The following five items must be present in the application to be considered for the fellowship award:

1. **A cover letter**, not to exceed two pages, from the applicant explaining how the fellowship will fit into his/her upcoming career plans and how the clinical training time in psychiatry will be structured. The letter should also describe any past or current research experience and committed or pending external funding.

2. Current **curriculum vitae**.

3. A **Research Plan**. This should include:
   a. Descriptive title
   b. Brief abstract not to exceed 150 words,
   c. Description of the specific aims of the project,
   d. Background and significance of the proposed research project,
   e. Description of the research design,
   f. Description of methods,
   g. Discussion of proposed analyses to be used in the project, and
   h. Timeline for completing the project during the fellowship year.
   The Research Plan has an absolute limit of 4 pages, single-spaced, using Arial or Times New Roman 11 font. One extra page will be allowed for a listing of referenced literature. Appendices will not be accepted.

4. A **Listing of other research resources** available to support the project (e.g., supplies, technical assistance, diagnostic laboratory tests).

5. **Three letters of support** including one from an institution affiliated with the applicant's Residency Program and one from the participating mentor.

Notification of fellowship award will be provided to the awardee(s) by Monday, December 17th, 2018.

Participating Mentors

- *Paola Arlotta (Harvard)*
- *Lindy Barrett (Broad)*
- *Randy Buckner (Harvard)*
- *Jeff Cottrell (Broad)*
- *Mark Daly (MGH)*
- *Ben Deverman (Broad)*
- *Kevin Eggan (Harvard)*
- *Maurizio Fava (MGH)*
- *Gord Fishell (HMS/Broad)*
- *Guoping Feng (MIT)*
- *Mike Halassa (MIT)*
- *Jacob Hooker (MGH)*
- *Karestan Koenen (HSPH)*
- *Kasper Lage (MGH)*

- *Evan Macosko (HMS)*
- *Steve McCarroll (HMS)*
- *Benjamin Neale (MGH)*
- *Dost Ongur (McLean)*
- *Jen Pan (Broad)*
- *Kerry Ressler (McLean)*
- *Elise Robinson (HSPH)*
- *Lee Rubin (Harvard)*
- *Bernardo Sabatini (HMS)*
- *David Silbersweig (BWH)*
- *Jordan Smoller (MGH)*
- *Beth Stevens (BCH)*
- *Florence Wagner (Broad)*
- *Feng Zhang (Broad/MIT)*