



Program Announcement

American Society for Bone and Mineral Research

2012 MENTORED CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARD

**Accepting Applications:
October 19, 2012 to December 14, 2012**

ASBMR Mentored Career Development Award (2012)

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Introduction

The American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (ASBMR) is the premier society in the field of bone and mineral metabolism. Its mission is to promote excellence in bone and mineral research, foster integration of clinical and basic science, and facilitate the translation of that science to health care and clinical practice.

ASBMR will offer funding opportunities for young investigators whose mentored career development applications (NIH K award, CTSA KL2, or VA CDA-2 award) scored in the outstanding range, but did not receive funding.

Applications will be accepted from Friday, October 19, 2012 to Friday, December 14, 2012.
Announcement of the award recipient will be made in **March 2013**.

Deadline for Receipt of Application: Friday, December 14, 2012

Amount of Each Award: \$75,000 (US dollars) No Indirects

Duration of Award: One year (non-renewable)

Number of Awards: Three (3) awards will be given.

Purpose of Award:

The purpose of the award is to provide funding for promising ASBMR investigators whose career development awards (i.e., NIH K awards, CTSA KL2, or VA CDA-2 awards) scored in the outstanding range but were not funded. Through this funding mechanism, the ASBMR plans to support ASBMR members who have the highest likelihood of obtaining longer-term career development awards or research awards.

In addition to outstanding research proposals, successful applicants must demonstrate potential and desire to become independent, self-directed researchers. Clear and firm institutional commitments to their career development, including a faculty position and other supporting resources for their research, is also required.

Who Can Apply?

Applicants and their mentors must be ASBMR members with an MD and/or PhD or equivalent doctoral level degree from an accredited institution. ASBMR membership applications must be approved by the time the award application is submitted. **Applicants must have received an outstanding priority score on their CTSA KL2, NIH K award (K01, K08, K23, K24, K99) or VA CDA-2 application that was submitted and reviewed between the period of July 1, 2011 and October 31, 2012. Only applications that received a not-funded decision and a score in the outstanding range will be reviewed.** These funds are not intended to bridge the period between review and funding. Applicants with A1 resubmission status are eligible to apply.

Where to Apply?

Submit application in PDF format by email (emarshall@asbmr.org) or by fax (202-367-2161).

Contact Information:

For questions about the awards or the application process, contact:

Earline Marshall,

Senior Grants Administrator

Tel: (202) 367-1161; Fax: (202) 367-2161

E-mail: emarshall@asbmr.org

Application Instructions

Eligibility

Only submit an application if you meet the following criteria:

- Must be an ASBMR member (with an MD and/or Ph.D. or equivalent doctoral level degree) in good standing. Membership must be maintained throughout the award cycle.
- At least one mentor must be an ASBMR member.
- Received an outstanding priority score for a K, CTSA, KL2 or CDA-2 award (that was submitted from July 2011 to October 2012) and received a not-funded decision.
 - Application must include summary sheet from intended funding source to be eligible.
- Applicants with “A1 Resubmission Status” are eligible to apply.

NOTE: These funds are not intended to bridge the period between review and funding.

Information for Application

A completed application includes all the information listed below and should be submitted as **one PDF file** by **CLOSE OF BUSINESS (5:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on Friday, December 14, 2012**, to Earline Marshall, ASBMR Senior Grants Administrator, by email: emarshall@asbmr.org or by fax: 202-367-2161.

Applications that do not include the following information will not be reviewed.

- **Cover Letter:** Should include the following: names of the applicant and mentor(s), title and number of the grant application, when it was submitted and reviewed, where it was submitted, and priority score received. Also note the proposed start and end dates for ASBMR grant if awarded.
- **Original Grant Application:** Include a copy of the entire original grant application, including NIH Face Page, biosketches, letters, research plan, and budget.
- **Summary Sheets:** Include all summary sheet information from the intended funding source (NIH, VA, CTSA, etc.).
- **Statement from Applicant and Mentor:** Statements should respond to the funding source (NIH, VA, CTSA, etc.) critique in a substantive and meaningful way. A timeline for resubmission or alternative application should be included.
- **Biosketch:** A new biosketch (in NIH format) to include current information. (This biosketch is in addition to the biosketch included with the original grant application and should be limited to 4 pages.)
- **Budget and Budget Justification:** Include a new one-year budget and budget justification for this grant. Use NIH PHS 398 style budget. Note: Fringe benefits should be calculated at the institutional negotiated fringe benefit rate. Maximum budget is \$75,000 and should not exceed this amount. Indirect expenses are not allowed.
- **Letter of Institutional Support:** New letter should address the ASBMR funding mechanism. The letter of institutional support should be signed by the Department Chair and include evidence of institutional support and protected time to allow completion of the proposed work. At least 75% of the applicant's time and effort must be protected for research. The amount of additional salary support from the institution should be stated. Evidence of institutional support for supplies and services is preferred.

Preparing the Application

PLEASE NOTE: All applications must be in compliance with the instructions and guidelines for the award. All applications that are not in compliance will be ineligible.

Please adhere to the following page limits.

Section	Page Limit	Content (Page Limitations)
Cover Letter	2 pages	Do not exceed page limit
Original Grant Application	Unlimited	Do not modify the original application
Summary Sheets from Intended Funding Source	Unlimited	Do not modify the original application
Statement from Applicant	3 pages	Do not exceed page limit
Statement from Mentor	3 pages	Do not exceed page limit
Updated Biosketch	4 pages	Do not exceed page limit
New One-Year Budget/Budget Justification	Unlimited	
New Letter from Institution/Dept. Chair	2 pages	Do not exceed page limit

Preparing Letters, Statements and Budget/Budget Justification

Type size limitations must be observed throughout the preparation of the new information (i.e. statements, letters, budget, etc.). The type must be clear and legible. Font size (Times) should be no smaller than 12 points. Single line spacing is acceptable. Figures, charts, tables, and figure legends may be smaller in size (10-pt font minimum) but must be clear and legible.

Deviations from the font size specifications and page limitations will be grounds to reject an application without review.

**Submission of multiple documents will be grounds to reject an application. All documents must be assembled into a single PDF with a title in the following format:
lastname_firstname_ASBMR_MCDA2012.pdf**

Budget and Budget Justification Guidelines

ASBMR adheres to the following guidelines regarding application submissions for a research award budget:

- A detailed budget, prepared in US dollars, showing how the award will be spent is necessary to ensure adequate support and time is dedicated towards the completion of the stated goals.
- Fringe benefits should reflect the institutional negotiated fringe benefit rate.
- Expenses of \$1,000 or more must be justified. Specifically funds can be used for payment for clinical release time and for purchase of supplies and other resources related to the specific project proposed. Expenses for travel may include coach-class or economy travel only and must be thoroughly justified.
- Funds cannot be used for supplies needed to complete work unrelated to the specific project proposed, or support of the mentor, technicians, research assistants, or clerical staff. Funds can support PI salary.
- The award may not be used to support training in administrative, financial or management skills. The pursuit of advanced degrees or advanced course work will not be funded unless it clearly fits within the goals of the training program.

ASBMR Research Award Guidelines

I. The Financial Award (Salary Support)

This award will provide \$75,000 direct costs and is not renewable. Budgets should reflect US dollars only and will be awarded in US dollars only. The total salary requested must be based on a full-time, 12 month faculty appointment requiring the candidate to devote a minimum of 75% of full-time professional effort to conducting research with the remaining effort being devoted to activities related to the development of a successful research career.

II. Funding Cycle

The term of the award, while not to exceed 12 months, is flexible within the time period from March 2013 to May 2014. The application should note the start and end dates for the study.

III. Human and Animal Studies

Human and animal study guidelines and approvals from the Institutional Review Board (IRB) and for vertebrate animal research from their IACUC should be current within the original grant application submitted to the intended funding source. If these approvals are outdated or not included, the applicant must include them at the time the application is submitted to ASBMR. **If the approvals are outdated or not included, the application will not be reviewed.**

IV. Conflict of Interest

It is the responsibility of the applicant to insure that s/he is in compliance with the conflict of interest policy of the applicant's home institution (and off-site institution if the investigator participates in studies at an off-site institution).

V. Patent, Intellectual Property, and Technology Transfer Policy

If the institution receiving or disbursing ASBMR funds, which supported the invention, has an established and applicable patent, intellectual property, or technology transfer policy and procedure for administering inventions, ASBMR will defer to that policy.

VI. Scientific Misconduct

If, during the funding cycle covered by the grant, any administrative action is taken by any funding agency or the institution against an ASBMR-funded investigator in response to an allegation of scientific misconduct, the ASBMR Business Office must be notified promptly.

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VII. Submission and Review Process

Applications will be reviewed by an appointed Awards Committee. The criteria used to evaluate applications are listed below:

- Highly significant research question
- Demonstrated experience and productivity as a fellow and/or junior faculty member
- Score from NIH/VA/CTSA Study Section
- Critique from NIH/VA/CTSA Study Section
- Evidence of strong scientific and career mentoring
- Demonstration of institutional support (e.g., money for supplies or salary, space)
- Scientific plan for the 12-month award period that addresses study section critiques and improves the applicant's competitiveness for future funding.

Applications must be received in PDF format by Earline Marshall, ASBMR Senior Grants Administrator, **by 5pm Eastern time, December 14, 2012.**

Send Application by Email or Fax to:

Earline Marshall, Senior Grants Administrator
ASBMR Career Enhancement Awards
Tel: (202) 367-1161 Fax: (202) 367-2161
E-mail: emarshall@asbmr.org

Receipt of Application

If you do not receive an acknowledgement of receipt of application by December 21, 2012, please contact: Earline Marshall at email: emarshall@asbmr.org.

VIII. Benchmarks

Anyone accepting this award must notify the ASBMR when they re-submit their application to the NIH or VA. A re-submission is expected during the 12-month period of their bridge funding. This information will be used to facilitate communication about projects to the ASBMR Council and to assess progress. Any news regarding progress including publications or grant applications/funding should be sent to the ASBMR and acknowledged as outlined in the Conditions of Award agreement.

IX. Anticipated Award Announcement

Award notifications will be sent to each applicant by email within three days after the Committee's decision. Written critiques will be sent to applicants upon their written request. Award recipients will be notified by telephone and email. ASBMR will announce the award in its publications, website and its Annual Meeting.