PILOT CLINICAL AND TRANSLATIONAL GRANTS PROGRAM (PCTGP)

Objectives

1. Provide support for early stage C/T research that is competitive for national funding, emphasizing the values of interdisciplinary and inter-institutional collaboration.
2. Provide application assistance and review processes with rapid feedback and enhanced reviewer participation.
3. Engage existing centers in the partner institutions in CTSC activities, both through the Pilot Program and interactions with other institutions and regional/national resources.
4. Utilize the Pilot Grant Program to identify mentoring opportunities for new investigators and established faculty to navigate CTSC resources.

Personnel

- Kingman Strohl, MD (UHCMC) – Director
- John Sedor, MD (MHS) – Co-Director
- W. H. Wilson Tang, MD (CC) – Co-Director
- Carolyn Apperson, (CWRU) – Pilot Research Concierge
- Christine Olson (CWRU) – Program Coordinator

Table of Terms

- CTSC - Clinical & Translational Science Collaborative
- C/T – Clinical and Translational
- CWRU – Case Western Reserve University
- CC – Cleveland Clinic
- MHS – MetroHealth System
- UHCMC – University Hospitals Case Medical Center
- VA – Louis Stokes Cleveland Veterans Administration Medical Center
- SRC – Scientific Review Committee

Notable Accomplishments

- Integration of CC RPC Program into Core Utilization Pilot grants
- Increased CTSC Pilot Grant Partnerships from 3 to 6
- Updated review criteria to be more transparent to applicants, department chairs, etc.
- Expanded Cores to include more translational tools, e.g. questionnaire development
- Added Louis Stokes DVA Medical Center (through VA Foundation) for closer ties to VA areas of strength (ERM, Functional Electrical Simulation, TBI, etc.)
- Inter-CTSC activities with OSU and Cincinnati for small molecule development
- Plan to move curve to right (median >T1) to emphasize translation to human health and disease via mentorship of junior investigators, yearly open house and faculty development

Table 9.1: Impact of Pilot Funding

Pilot Funding through December 2012
$5,958,662.40

External Funding Received through December 2012
$30,913,975

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All Funded Annual Pilots