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Medical Student HLB Research--Process
Thanks for your interest in the Heart, Lung, Blood summer research program. We hope that your HLB summer research might continue with your mentor during the research block and thus want to help you find the right “match.”

The first step you can take is to explore the HLB participating faculty and research interests (http://casemed.case.edu/omp/SummerResearch.cfm, “available research mentors”). Many but not all of these investigators are NIH funded laboratory based researchers.

The second place to look is the medical student research site http://casemed.case.edu/msrpublic/search.aspx. More of these folks are based in clinical research of one kind or another. I might suggest that you look up keywords like cardiovascular, obesity, asthma, sleep etc as you are interested.

Try to make a list of at least 5 researchers you find interesting.

Of course, feel free to contact any of the faculty listed to explore what a particular project might be for this summer, and potentially an additional research block.

When you have a few ideas, it's probably a good time to talk and refine it. I'm sure Todd Fennimore, Joseph Williams and/or I will be happy to meet with you at that point. I'd like to help you find a strong mentor in HLB research.

You will need to apply for the R25 grant support in the same way that students apply to any of the medical student research fellowships -- for details, you should go to your ePortfolio/My Research web portal and link off to the Summer research or Crile application. The application process is the same regardless of which research fellowship you go after (the Crile, the Heart etc). We'll make the decision about which pot of money to draw on to support you from the pool of applicants, keeping in mind that we'd like to consider you for the minority R25 slot.

Please let me know how things are going-