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CBR Colleagues:

The Center for Biomedical Research (CBR) plans to make available up to $60,000 from our annual budget to provide seed funding for up to four faculty members, especially the junior faculty, to collect preliminary data needed to compete for external funding.

You are invited to submit a two page (maximum) white paper to me (brow@mst.edu) by Friday, Mar. 20, 2020. The two page limit does not include references, budgets, and budget justifications; matching funds are encouraged, but not required. Minimum font size is 10.

The proposal should contain the following components:

1. Brief Introduction to address the importance/novelty of the study and the need for seed funding
2. Proposed study, including objectives and approaches, goals, and expected outcomes
3. Plans to use the data collected from the seed funding
4. Other information you think is necessary
5. On a separate page, please provide a budget and budget justification statement

The proposals will be reviewed and ranked based on the technical content, innovation, budget allocation, potential for external funding, and how the project can enhance biomedical research at Missouri S&T. Interdisciplinary collaborations are strongly encouraged. There is no overhead on this funding and it can be used for student salary, supplies, travel, and small equipment. However, the funding cannot be used to pay faculty salary. Seed grants are typically funded at the $10-15K level, and the period of performance will be July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021.

In addition, we are soliciting one-page proposals for resources (equipment, facility modifications, seminars or outreach activities) that can be used by a broader range of CBR faculty. These might include improvements to our Animal Research Facility, new components for our confocal microscope, general use equipment or lab techniques for histology, in vitro studies bio-compatibility, etc. The key here is that these resources are to be available to any CBR member. For this one-page proposal, describe the capability and how it might be widely used, describe where the equipment or facility will be maintained, and provide budgetary information; matching funds are encouraged, but not required. Use the same Proposal Coversheet for these one-pagers.

If you have any questions please contact me at your convenience. I am looking forward to receiving your proposals by Friday, March 20, 2020.

Cordially,

Richard K. Brow
Distinguished Curators’ Professor, Materials Science & Engineering
Interim Director, Center for Biomedical Research
Principal Investigator ___________________________ Department ___________________________

Campus Address ________________________________ Campus Telephone ___________________________

Project Title ________________________________

Seed Funding Proposal ____ or CBR Support Proposal ____ (Choose one)

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:  March 20, 2020

PROJECT START DATE: ______________________ PROJECT END DATE: ______________________

OUTCOME FROM PREVIOUS CBR/CBSE FUNDING (if appropriate)
(1) Year(s) and funding level ________________________________;
(2) Proposals submitted/outcomes ________________________________;
(3) List publications ________________________________;
(4) List patents ________________________________;
(5) Other

Co-Applicant(s)

Co-PI (Dept.) ________________________________ Co-PI (Dept.) ________________________________

Signature of Co-Investigator ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Co-Applicant(s) (continued)

Signature of Co-Investigator ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Co-Applicant(s) (continued)

Signature of Principal Investigator ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Cost Sharing/Matching Funds (if appropriate)

Source (account name and number)

Authorized Signature for Listed Accounts