

**Marsha Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer Research**  
**PILOT STUDY PROJECTS *in ovarian cancer research***  
**Request for Applications**

***Program Overview:***

Approximately \$210,000 is available from the Marsha Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer Research to fund up to 7 awards to be allocated based on merit between the Pilot Study and Scientific Scholar Award Programs. At approximately \$30,000 each, the ***Pilot Study Program*** awards will support investigator initiated projects in all areas of ovarian cancer research. *Funds are for direct costs only; institutional overhead and indirect costs will not be included in the award.*

Applicants may budget for salary support, materials, supplies, consumables, travel costs for scientific meetings and other expenses as justified. Budget and budget justification must be included with the application.

Priority for funding will be given to proposals that are:

- *Innovative*
- *Multidisciplinary*
- *Likely to lead to submission of grant applications for independently funded investigations*
- *Have translational research potential*

***Eligibility:***

Investigators at all levels are encouraged to apply.

***Requirements upon funding:***

A final report, lay abstract and final financial report must be provided within 90 days after the completion of the funding period. In addition to all annual and/or final reports, award recipients will be required to present at the first MRC Biennial Symposium following the completion of funding. The Marsha Rivkin Center will provide travel in addition to pilot study funding unless travel funds remain as part of award.

Award recipients are encouraged to use results to publish findings and develop full-scale funding applications to national agencies.

***Application Format and Instructions:***

Applicants should submit a proposal to the Marsha Rivkin Center including a scientific plan, budget and budget justification, short CV, Other Support and 100-word lay abstract.

Applications should be submitted using standard PHS 398 forms. The scientific plan should be no more than five pages in length and should follow NIH format (Arial or other acceptable font, 11 point, 0.5" margins), addressing each of the following areas: Specific Aims, Background and Significance, Preliminary Results (if available), Experimental Methods and Design. References, human subjects, and vertebrate animals should be included as necessary and are not subject to the five-page limit.

5 copies of all application materials plus 1 electronic copy (Adobe PDF) must be submitted to the Marsha Rivkin Center by **5pm PST, December 3, 2007.**

For more information please see "Pilot Study Program Guidelines" on our website at [www.marsharivkin.org](http://www.marsharivkin.org).

***Send application materials to:***

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*Since its inception in 1996, the Marsha Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer Research has been instrumental in supporting and organizing the research community to find solutions to ovarian cancer. Founded by renowned oncologist Dr. Saul Rivkin and his five daughters in memory of his wife who passed away after a long battle with ovarian cancer, the Marsha Rivkin Center works closely with its distinguished partners: Swedish Medical Center, the region's most extensive cancer treatment facility which has been treating cancer patients for more than 80 years; and Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, internationally recognized for its pioneering research. For more information, please visit [www.marsharivkin.org](http://www.marsharivkin.org)*

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