

**Prostate Cancer Foundation  
2014 Movember-PCF Global Treatment Sciences (GTSN) Challenge Award  
For Metastatic Prostate Cancer  
Request for Applications  
(United States Applicants Only)**

*Due to a requirement by Movember, applications will be accepted from U.S. institutions only. To those of you outside the U.S. who have received this notice, we look forward to receiving applications from you for future RFAs from other funding sources. Movember funds prostate cancer research regionally nearly everywhere on earth. We encourage those outside the U.S. to seek these opportunities.*

The Prostate Cancer Foundation (PCF) is pleased to announce a Request for Applications for metastatic prostate cancer. Approximately 8-12 GTSN Challenge Awards will be funded depending on level of innovation in applications received. High risk, currently unfunded projects are most desired.

**PCF Challenge Awards:**

- Support large-scale research projects concerning metastatic prostate cancer over a duration of two years.
- Provide up to a total of \$1 million per team.
- Cover direct research costs only.
- Focus on funding Treatment Sciences: Investigations of new ideas in man or laboratory support of a high-impact clinical investigation with a high probability of near-term patient benefit.

Treatment Sciences research in the following topic areas is preferred (however, all treatment sciences ideas will be evaluated):

1. First-in-field research on new targets in metastatic prostate cancer systemic treatment
2. Mechanisms of resistance to current and investigational drugs targeting the androgen receptor and androgen axis, immune system and chemotherapy
3. Tumor microenvironment signaling related to cancer progression including the immune component are topic areas we strongly encourage.
4. New treatments for metastatic prostate cancer including those targeting the currently 'undruggable'

**The PCF Challenge Award Team:**

- Should be composed of *at least* 3 highly experienced investigators capable of providing unique scientific expertise to the solution of this significant problem in prostate cancer research.
- May be assembled from one institution, or several institutions.
- Must embed at least one young investigator as an integral contributor to the team. The young investigator should be within six years following completion of a professional degree or clinical training such as MD, PhD, MD-PhD, MPH, etc. He or she should have received no more than \$200,000 in current direct research funding from all sources including institutional funds. Young investigators who have specifically received research support from the NCI, NIH, or DoD are still qualified and very much encouraged to apply.

**Timeline:**

- Deadline for application submission: **April 30, 2014, 11:59 PM Pacific Time**
- Funding decisions will be made through peer and Programmatic Review.

**PCF Challenge Award Application Guidelines**

1. **Eligibility:** Investigators representing non-profit academic research centers worldwide are eligible to apply. Investigators from for-profit companies and government-sponsored institutions, i.e. NIH, are ineligible.
2. **Application Form:** To be completed online by the Principal Investigator at [www.pcfscience.org](http://www.pcfscience.org).
3. **Research Proposal:** The Research Proposal and all supporting documents should be merged into a single PDF file to be uploaded along with the application form at [www.pcfscience.org](http://www.pcfscience.org). A complete application will include the documents below, arranged in the following order in the PDF file:
  - i. **Cover Page:** Names, institutions and contact information of all investigators.
  - ii. **Statement of originality (1-page limit):** This statement delineates why the work is first-in-field, original, and currently unfunded. PCF seeks new and never-before tested ideas, not derivatives of ongoing investigations or incremental research.
  - iii. **Research Proposal (10- page limit):** includes both the narrative text and any preliminary data in support of the proposal.
  - iv. **A list of references of research cited.**
  - v. **NIH Biosketch:** Please submit a 4-page NIH Biographical Sketch for each investigator, including a list of relevant publications.
  - vi. **Budget page(s):** Please include an annual budget for the proposal. PCF will cover only direct costs. The budget can be prepared using NIH Budget forms like PHS 398; however, use of these forms is not mandatory.
4. Reporting results and the budget process will be discussed at the time of announcement of the awards.
5. **Please direct questions to [applications@pcf.org](mailto:applications@pcf.org).**

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**In fairness to all there will be no exceptions to this deadline.**