

Johns Hopkins Department of Medicine

CENTER FOR INNOVATIVE MEDICINE

NEXT GENERATION SCHOLAR AWARDS

WHAT

Through the generosity of the Johns Hopkins Center for Innovative Medicine (CIM) donors, the Department of Medicine has received \$3,000,000 to launch “the CIM/Next Generation Scholar Awards Program,” with the first quarterly cycle beginning in 2025. The CIM/Next Generation Scholar program is designed to support the success of outstanding early-career faculty who are innovators in the areas of research, education, and clinical care. Each CIM/Next Generation Scholar will be eligible to receive up to \$240,000 of funding over 3 years.

PURPOSE

The goal of the Center for Innovative Medicine is to make medicine a better public trust, a goal strongly shared and championed by the Department of Medicine. CIM and the Department of Medicine believe that fortifying the public trust in medicine in today’s challenging environment urgently requires new strategies to support and ensure the success of our early-career faculty, whose advances in research, education, and patient care will shape the future of Medicine. A further purpose of this new funding mechanism is to create a connected community and multidisciplinary CIM that comes together for peer mentoring and networking to spark synergy and strengthen the mentoring support of junior faculty.

Qualifications for Applicants

- Applicants must be **committed to making medicine a better public trust** through advances in research, education, or patient care.
- Applicants must be nominated by a Director of a Division within the Department of Medicine.
- Division Directors may nominate no more than 2 applicants.
- Candidates must be full-time faculty members appointed within the last 10 years. Senior fellows who will be appointed to the faculty within the next 6 months are also eligible.
- Each instructor or assistant professor applicant must have a faculty-designated mentor.

Award

- \$80,000, renewable yearly for up to 3 years (or \$240,000 total), or \$120,000 per year over 2 years may be considered if an appropriate rationale is provided.
- Yearly renewability requires a demonstration of satisfactory progress.
- The funding aims to facilitate faculty career development and support transformative work; therefore, the budgets may include requests for protected time, staff time, supplies, analysis, and/or project support.

CIM Next Generation Scholar Expectations

- **Provide regular updates** on their progress (an annual update is required for continued funding consideration).
- Come together with other CIM/Next Generation Scholars periodically throughout the funding period for Scholar meetings designed to **encourage synergy and networking**.
- **Serve as mentors** to future CIM/Next Generation Scholars.

Application

- The application is submitted to Carrie Cammarato at the Center for Innovative Medicine (ccammar2@jhmi.edu) and must include:
 - CV
 - *Description of what the funding might allow the applicant to accomplish and to contribute to medicine as a public trust (1-2 pages)*
- The Division Chief must submit the application.
- The application must be accompanied by a statement from the Division Chief identifying the applicant's mentor and affirming the mentor's commitment to the applicant.

APPLICATION DUE DATES

Applications can be submitted quarterly, with due dates: May 1, 2025, August 1, 2025, November 1, 2025, and April 1, 2026. **Only one application can be submitted per year.*

Scholars will be announced approximately 45 days after each due date.

Questions? For additional information, please contact Carrie Cammarato, Center for Innovative Medicine, at ccammar2@jhmi.edu