

# SSCD Investigator Award for Studies on Non-Celiac Gluten/Wheat Sensitivity

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### **Description**

The Society for the Study of Celiac Disease (SSCD) is seeking applications for a 2019 Investigator Award in Non-Celiac Gluten/ Wheat Sensitivity Research. The Award consists of a grant of up to \$50,000 for one year, which cannot include indirect costs. The Award is intended to support a research project on a basic, translational, or clinical topic related to the investigation of NCG/WS pathophysiology, distinct clinical characteristics, implications of gut microbiota, epithelial barrier and/or innate immunity.

## **Eligibility**

Applicants must have a PhD or MD (or equivalent). They must hold a full-time position at a North American academic institution and the research is to be conducted in a North American institution. Individuals holding a career development award (e.g., NIH K series or other federal or non-federal career development award) are eligible. However, the proposed research should be an extension of or departure from the aims proposed in the career development award. Membership in the SSCD is required at the time of application and throughout the term of the grant.

### **Submission Requirements**

Candidates must submit a complete application, as detailed below, in a single PDF file.

- Proposals must not exceed five (5) pages (excluding references). Proposal preparation according to NIH-form SF 424 (R&R) guidelines is strongly recommended.
- > The candidate's NIH-style biosketch must be provided and cannot exceed five (5) pages.
- A letter from the candidate's Department Chair or Division Chief must be included in the application. This letter should verify the candidate's eligibility and must describe the resources available to the candidate.

A budget must be provided. Funding requests may include:

- Personnel (e.g., research assistant and/or faculty salary support; this should include a percentage of effort for the proposed study with appropriate justification)
- Supplies and reagents
- Expenses associated with research involving preclinical or clinical research



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Funding will not be provided for:

- Travel
- Indirect costs

Awards made in response to proposals involving research on vertebrate animals and/or human subjects will be contingent upon receipt of copies of approval letters from the requisite regulatory bodies.

Duration of funding: One year. Unexpended funds must be returned to SSCD at the end the year.

An interim progress report must be submitted to SSCD at 6 months of support. A final progress report must be submitted within 90 days of conclusion of the project and must include a financial statement from the institutional grants or accounting office.

All publications arising from this award must include the following statement "This research was supported by a SSCD grant for Non-Celiac Gluten/Wheat Sensitivity sponsored by the Nestle Research Center, Nestec SA to [candidate]."

### **Selection Criteria**

The primary criteria for the Award include the scientific merit of the proposal and the investigator's qualifications. Additional criteria include the environment of the host institution and the availability of resources judged essential for the success of the proposed research.

### **Submission Deadline**

The application deadline is **5:00 PM CT** on <u>Friday, February 22, 2019</u>. The application and all supporting material must be submitted electronically in the requested format to <u>info@theceliacsociety.org</u>. Questions about the grant application process may be submitted to <u>info@theceliacsociety.org</u>.

#### **Grant Award Announcement**

Grant recipients will be announced no later than **Friday, March 15, 2019**. Awardee(s) will be notified via email.

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