

**RFA 08-05**  
**CIRM EARLY TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH AWARDS**  
**Candidate Nomination Form**  
**Instructions**

Applicant institutions must submit this official CIRM Candidate Nomination Form (CNF) to nominate candidate(s) for a Early Translational Research Award. CIRM will accept only one CNF from each institution; this form must be signed by an institutional official authorized to nominate candidates on behalf of the entire institution. The signed original hard copy CNF (e-mail is not acceptable) must be received by CIRM no later than **5:00 p.m. PDT on October 15th, 2008. No exceptions will be made.** Mail the signed original hard copy of the CNF to:

Early Translational Research Award Candidate Nomination Form  
California Institute for Regenerative Medicine  
210 King Street  
San Francisco, CA 94107

**Institutional Eligibility**

All CIRM-supported research must be conducted in California. This RFA is open to all academic and Non-Profit research institutions in the state of California. It is also open to For-Profit organizations with established research site(s) in the state of California at the time the application is submitted.

Non-Profit organization means either: (1) a governmental entity of the state of California; or (2) a legal entity that is tax exempt under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3) and California Revenue and Taxation Code section 23701d.

For-Profit organization means: an organization, institution, corporation, or other legal entity that is organized or operated for the profit or financial benefit of its shareholders or other owners. Such organizations also are referred to as “commercial organizations”.

Non-Profit applicant institutions with accredited medical schools will each be eligible to submit up to three applications. Other non-profit institutions and for-profit institutions with 250 employees or more will each be eligible to submit up to two applications. Non-profit and for-profit applicant institutions with fewer than 250 employees may each submit one application. Applicant institutions will be required to certify upon submission of the Candidate Nomination Form that they meet the above criteria.

**Principal Investigator (PI) Eligibility**

Each Principal Investigator (PI) may submit only one application under this RFA. The PI must have received an M.D., Ph.D. or equivalent degree, and must be authorized by the applicant institution to conduct the proposed research in California. By the application deadline, the PI must:

- be an independent investigator at a non-profit applicant institution, or have an equivalent position and be an employee of a for-profit applicant institution;
- have documented authority from the applicant institution to staff the proposed project;
- have documented authority from the applicant institution for access to space and shared resources sufficient to carry out the proposed research.

In addition, CIRM, mindful of the urgency of its mission and the scope of these awards, will:

- require the PI to commit a minimum of 10 percent effort. CIRM will instruct reviewers to give added

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- consideration to PI qualifications when the PI commits more than 10% effort to the research proposed in his/her application. In extraordinary circumstances, and at the discretion of the President of CIRM, CIRM may allow senior research scientists to commit to a reduced effort in the interests of obtaining the best outcomes for a research project. Such exceptions **must** be requested prior to October 1 to allow the President of CIRM time to review and to approve or deny the request prior to October 15, the deadline for submission of a CNF and LOI.
- require the award to be initiated no later than six months after the date the ICOC approves the application for funding.

**In order to broaden the pool of applicants engaged in moving stem cell research towards clinical application, a PI may apply for either an Early Translational Research Award or a forthcoming Disease Team Research Award, but not for both.** In extraordinary circumstances, and at the discretion of the President of CIRM, a PI may be allowed to apply as PI for both awards. Such exceptions **must** be requested prior to October 1 to allow the President of CIRM time to review and to approve or deny the request prior to October 15, the deadline for submission of a CNF and LOI.

For more information, please see RFA 08-05 (<http://www.cirm.ca.gov/grants/default.asp>).

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**Applicant Institution**

Institution	If your institution is not listed, please identify the name of the institution in "Other Institution."
Other Institution	
Type of Institution	<input type="radio"/> For-profit Institution <input type="radio"/> Non-profit Institution

**Candidates for Early Translational Research Awards**

<b>Candidate 1</b>		
Name		Degree
Title	Email	
<b>Candidate 2</b>		
Name		Degree
Title	Email	
<b>Candidate 3</b>		
Name		Degree
Title	Email	

**Institutional Official Mailing Address**

Name		
Title	Phone Number	
Address		
City		Zip Code

I hereby certify that the number and eligibility of PI candidates nominated on this form meet the requirements specified in RFA 08-05, CIRM Early Translational Research Awards.

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Signature

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Date