To: Duke University Faculty

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Subject: 2015 Fall SOM Core Facility Voucher Program

The School of Medicine departments, institutes and centers oversee a wide range of research core facilities. To enable investigators to access these services for exciting new studies that are not yet externally funded, we are pleased to announce the 2015 Fall SOM Core Facility Voucher Program. This joint program with the School of Medicine (SOM), the Duke Translational Research Institute (DTRI) Pilot Program, the Office of the Provost and Duke Research Computing/Office of Information Technology will offer vouchers in amounts ranging from $500 to $10,000, redeemable for provision of services at SoM core facilities/shared resources. The sources of funding are from the School of Medicine, Duke’s National Institutes of Health, National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) UL1TR001117 and the Office of the Vice Provost for Research (OVPR).

All core facilities/shared resources that provide services open to faculty members on a fee-for-service basis are eligible for participation in this program. No more than two facilities can be included in a single proposal. Research Computing may be included as a third facility, if utilizing data storage space in conjunction with data collected from another core facility.

View the list of eligible cores on the School of Medicine’s website.

Important dates for the 2015 Fall SOM Core Facility Voucher Program:

- Submission Open: Sept 14, 2015
- Submission Close: Oct 16, 2015
- Voucher Start: Jan 1, 2016
- Voucher End: Dec 31, 2016
Vouchers in any category of research will be awarded to faculty at the Assistant, Associate or Professor level with primary appointments in SOM or Campus departments:

- **SOM Faculty**: SOM faculty will be eligible for awards made from SOM funds. Projects that are translational in nature will be considered for funding through DTRI.
- **Campus Faculty**: Faculty outside the SOM will be eligible for awards made from OVPR funds. Proposals with Campus faculty as co-PI with SOM faculty will be eligible for SOM funds. Projects that are translational in nature will be considered for funding through DTRI.
- **All Faculty**: Investigators awarded a voucher in the spring or fall funding cycles are eligible to apply for and receive a new voucher if the work proposed is significantly and scientifically distinct from previous applications.

The DTRI will contact investigators annually to determine what metrics have been achieved as a result of this voucher. When requested, all awardees will be expected to provide updates of publications and other metrics that originated from the voucher. All publications that are the direct result of this voucher must reference: “Research reported in this publication was supported by the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences of the National Institutes of Health under Award Number UL1TR001117. The content is solely the responsibility of the authors and does not necessarily represent the official views of the National Institutes of Health.” Publications using data storage provided by the program must also reference support from the National Institutes of Health under Award Number S10OD018164 for the Duke Data Commons. Publications must also be registered in PubMed Central.

Complete applications will include a one-page proposal describing the research question to be investigated, rationale, proposed plan, and justification for amount requested (11 pt font, 0.5” margins), and a brief letter from the core facility director attesting to the availability of the proposed technical service. Applications are limited to one per investigator, and only new applications will be considered. **Please visit this website for further proposal requirements and submission information as well as terms and conditions.** Email any questions you may have to dtripilots@dm.duke.edu

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