

Instructions for VeloSano Proposals

All lead PIs or their lab members must have participated in the VeloSano Bike to Cure event as a rider, virtual rider, or volunteer. Co-PIs may or may not have participated. Applications must include multi-investigator teams and projects, and are encouraged to align with one of six research initiatives described within the [Cancer Center Strategic Plan](#) (Cancer Genomics, Cancer Immunotherapy, Brain Tumors, Drug Discovery and Development, Women's Cancers, Community Outreach and Cancer Health Disparities). Individuals eligible for VeloSano funds from the Cleveland Clinic are not eligible to serve as lead PIs on these applications, but can participate as co-PIs or co-investigators. While investigators may participate in multiple projects, only one application may be submitted from each Principal Investigator.

Proposals will be limited to 4 pages and include the following:

- Research Plan with Specific Aims (up to 3 pages)
- Description of Initiative Alignment (if applicable): How is the research complementary to the goals of the selected research initiative? (~0.25 page)
- Description of Research Team, including an outline of the specific roles of the lead and any co-PIs (~0.5 page). **Participation of the lead PI (or member of the PI's lab) and any other key personnel in the VeloSano event must also be stated in 1-2 sentences.**
- Plans for Future Funding (~0.25 page)

Additional information that should be submitted, but is not included in the 4 page limit includes:

- Cover Page that includes the Title, PI, co-PI, Institution(s), Department(s), and all co-investigators
- NIH Biosketches for all key personnel (up to 5 pages each)
- References Cited
- One page budget with categories and justification (note PI and co-PI salary support and travel are excluded). Usage of core facilities must include Case Comprehensive Cancer Center cores rather than cores at distant institutions unless justified and approved by Center leadership.

Responsiveness to RFA:

- Participation of PI or lab members in VeloSano 2017 as rider, virtual rider, or volunteer
- VeloSano 2017 participation (and eligibility for this RFA) can be confirmed by contacting casecccpilots@case.edu
- Multi-Investigator team and project

Review Criteria:

- An effective investigative team is engaged in the project.
- Project addresses an important biological, clinical, or population-based research problem.
- Research plan is innovative, impactful, and is appropriately designed.
- The project and research team have a high likelihood for future funding from national sources.
- The research project is expected to contribute to at least one impactful publication.

Obligations of Awardees:

- Acknowledgement of support from VeloSano Bike to Cure in all publications and media releases associated with the supported project.
- Timely submission of data and stewardship reports upon request from the Case Comprehensive Cancer Center.
- Interim Progress Report due May 30, 2019
- Participation in meetings of the aligned program.
- Presentation of Progress in Cancer Center-sponsored symposia.
- Participation of all key personnel (particularly the PI and co-PI, if applicable) in VeloSano Bike to Cure 2018 is expected.

Please submit all materials to casecccpilots@case.edu by April 10, 2018

****DEADLINE EXTENDED TO APRIL 10, 2018****