# Armand D. Versaci Research Scholar In Surgical Sciences Award

# ALPERT MEDICAL SCHOOL DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY

The Armand D. Versaci Research Scholar in Surgical Sciences Award was established to recognize and support the research initiatives of outstanding residents and fellows mentored by Alpert Medical School faculty.

The Carter Charitable Trust Foundation, aware of funding challenges faced by surgical residents and fellows engaged in medical research, established

this award to help meet the cost of stipends and to honor the distinguished career of Armand D. Versaci, MD.

# THE AWARD

Designed to provide two years of salary support for residents or fellows to train under the direct supervision of a qualified mentor. The objective of the program is to foster the development of physician-scientists who will go on to academic careers in surgery.

## APPLICATION DEADLINE

December 31 yearly

#### START DATE

July 1 yearly

## ELIGIBILITY

- Any resident who has completed at least two years of his or her residency in Alpert Medical School's Department of Surgery, including general surgery and all surgical subspecialties.
- Alpert Medical School Fellows in the Department of Surgery and all surgical subspecialties.

# REQUIREMENTS

■ Identification of an appropriate facility, adequate clinical/experimental material for related research, a strong scientific climate, and a sponsoring Alpert Medical School faculty member who is funded by extramural grant support for the same or closely related project.

#### CONDITIONS

- Awardee must not have any regularly assigned duties on a clinical service during the period of the fellowship.
- It is the responsibility of the mentor and institution sponsoring the applicant/awardee to provide an adequate research environment (i.e. supplies, space, etc.) in which to carry out proposed research.
- No part of the award may be used for the institution's indirect costs.

# SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A proposal submission is required. Please follow standard NIH application format, using 11 pitch type, and include:

- Fellowship Award Application form
- Abstract
- A letter of support from faculty sponsor
- Budget with justification detailing supplies, animal costs, etc.
- Resources and environment of the sponsor
- Applicant's biosketch
- A scientific proposal in standard NIH format, not to exceed six pages (single spaced but exclusive of literature cited) – including title, abstract (200 word limit), significance of research, background information, experimental plan/data analysis and literature cited.

### REVIEW

Applications will be reviewed by a committee composed of three faculty members from the Department of Surgery and two Alpert Medical School faculty from outside the Department of Surgery. Further, Armand D. Versaci, MD, and the chair of the Department of Surgery will serve as ex-officio committee members. Following receipt and evaluation of the applications, an award notification will be made by the Department of Surgery chair.

The award commences July 1 yearly.

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