# NCI Research Training and Career Development Awards

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### **Cancer Training at the NCI**

Cancer Training Branch (CTB)
Center for Cancer Training (CCT)

- Institutional Training Grants
- Individual Career Development Awards
- Transition Awards
- Fellowships

1,208 awards \$171.3 M Diversity Training Branch (DTB)
Center to Reduce Cancer
Health Disparities (CRCHD)

Awards intended for underrepresented minorities and individuals with disabilities

- Individual Career Development Awards
- Transition Awards
- Fellowships
- Research Supplements to Promote Diversity

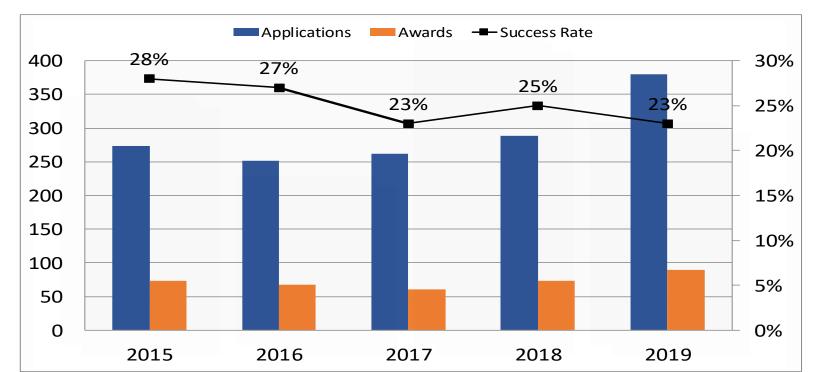


# Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Individual Fellowship

- Stipend (full-time effort required)
  - Predocs (F30 or F31): \$24,816 per year for up to 5 or 6 years
  - Postdocs (F32): \$50,004—\$61,308 per year for up to 3 years
- Partial tuition and fees
  - 60%, up to \$16,000 (in a degree program) or \$4500 (postdocs)
- Funds for training-related expenses (mostly health insurance)
  - \$4200 for a predoc trainee; \$10,850 for a postdoc trainee

## F31 Applications, Awards and Success Rates

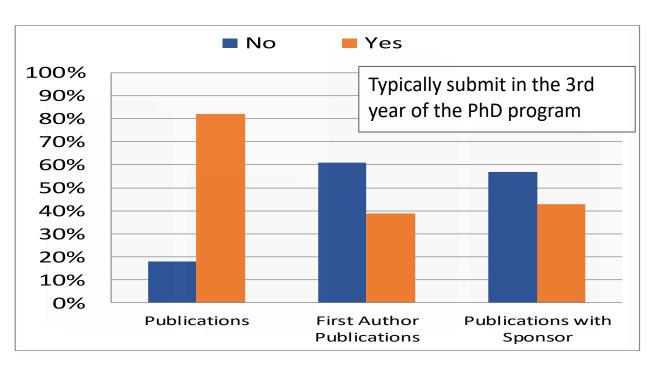




**Fiscal Year** 

#### F31 Pre-doctoral Fellow Characteristics

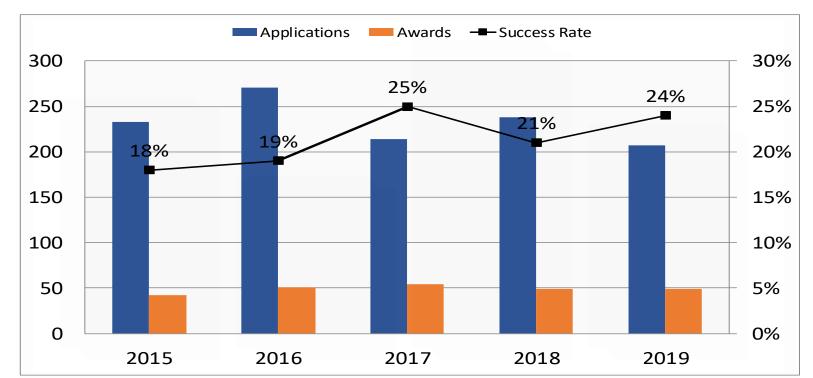
Enrolled in research doctoral degree (e.g., PhD) programs US Citizens or Permanent Residents



70-75% of applicants have a pub, 30% have 1st author pub

### F32 Applications, Awards and Success Rates

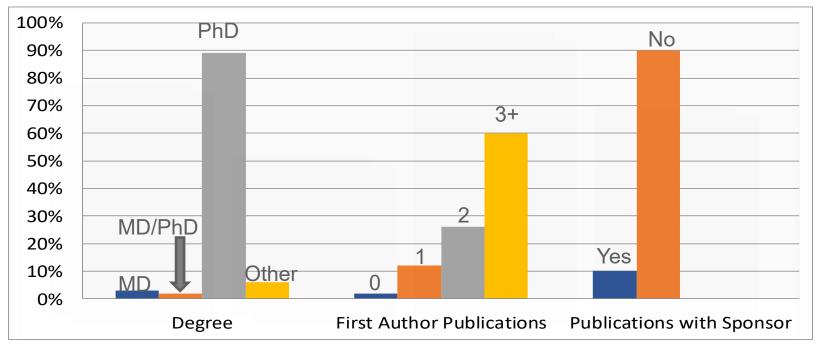




#### **Fiscal Year**

#### F32 Post-doctoral Fellow Characteristics

US Citizens or Permanent Residents Typically submit during the 1<sup>st</sup> (30%) or 2<sup>nd</sup> (60%) year of postdoc.



# **NCI Career Development (K) Award Applications**

- Ensure that a diverse pool of highly trained scientists is available in appropriate scientific disciplines to address the Nation's biomedical, behavioral, and clinical research needs.
- K08: provide "protected time" (3-5 years) to support didactic study and/or mentored research for individuals with clinical doctoral degrees
- K22 and K99/R00: help outstanding mentored, non-independent investigators in transitioning to research independence

# K99/R00 Pathway to Independence Award

 Objective: To help outstanding postdoctoral researchers complete needed, mentored career development and transition in a <u>timely</u> manner to independent, tenure-track or equivalent faculty positions.

#### • Eligibility:

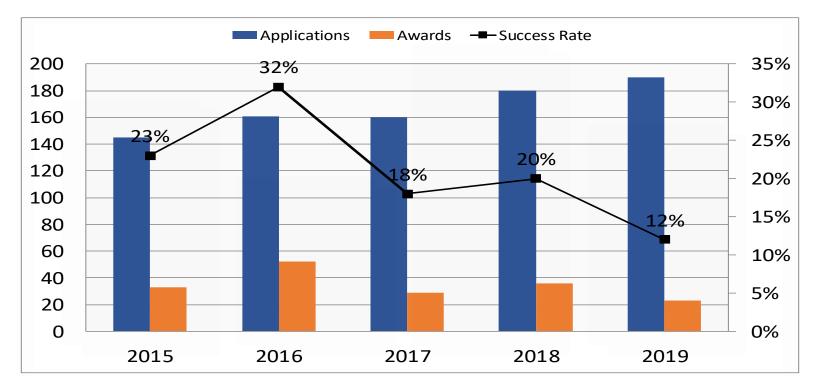
- U.S. citizens and non-U.S. citizens (@domestic institutions)
- Less than 4 years of postdoctoral research training
- Cannot have held an independent faculty or tenure-track position

#### Award:

- Mentored Phase (K99) (1 2 years): salary: up to \$100K/year; fringe benefits; research support: 30K/ year
- Independent Scientist Phase (R00) (up to 3 years):
   salary, fringe benefits, research support: \$249K/ year (total cost)

### **K99 Applications, Awards and Success Rates**

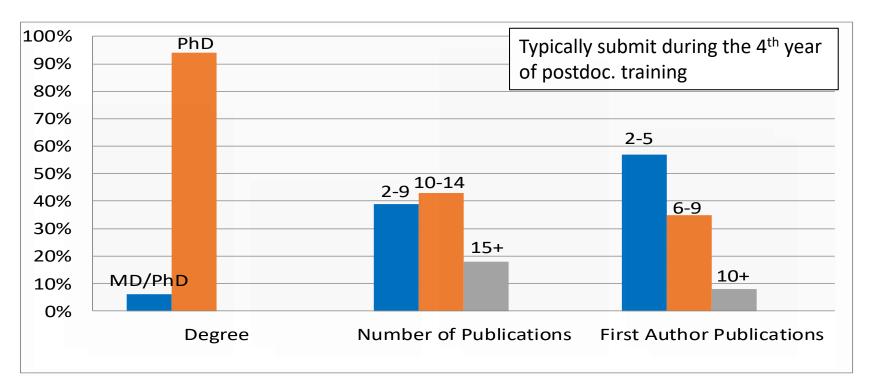




#### **Fiscal Year**

#### **K99 Awardee Characteristics**

U.S. citizens and non-U.S. citizens



# The NCI Transition Career Development Award (K22) PAR-18-467

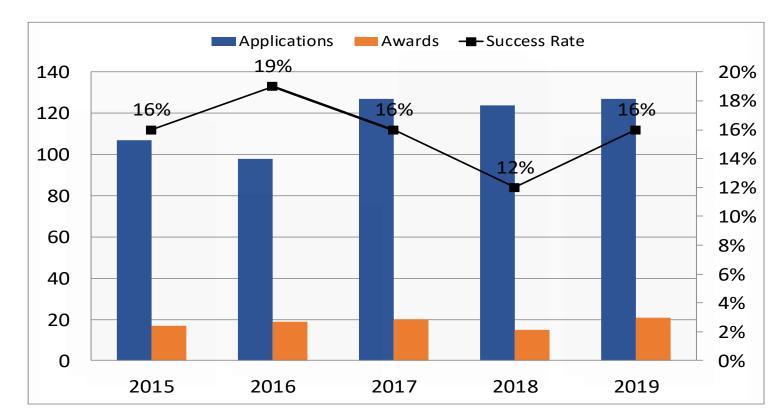
Objective: facilitates the transition of investigators in mentored, nonindependent cancer research positions to independent faculty cancer research positions. The K22 provides protected time for the initial 3 years of the first independent tenure-track faculty position.

#### • Eligibility:

- U.S. citizens and Permanent Residents (@domestic institutions)
- 2-8 years of postdoctoral research training
- Cannot have held an independent faculty or tenure-track position
- Research: all areas of cancer research

# **K22: Applications, Awards and Success Rates**





Fiscal Year

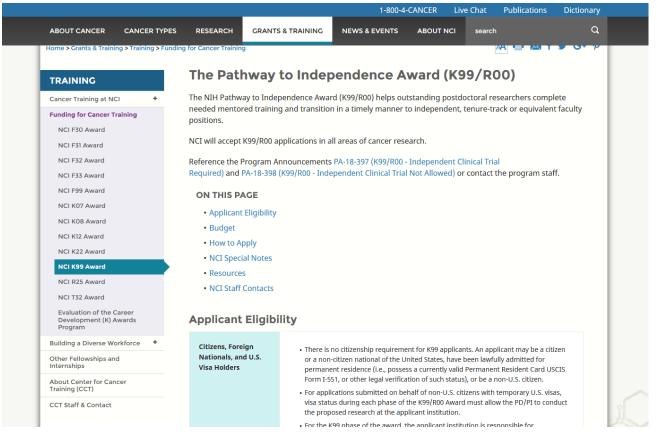
# What are reviewers looking for?

- Candidate: motivated, well-trained, productive
- Mentor(s): strong mentoring and funding track record, highly qualified, committed to support the candidate
- Career development/ training plan: meaningful training in research and professional development
- Research plan: innovative, good training platform/ vehicle for transition to independence (high feasibility/ high impact; niche for applicant's own lab)

## Tips for mentors/ sponsors

- Identify co-mentor(s)/ co-sponsor(s)
- Co-mentor(s) should have a clearly defined role in the application
- Develop a training plan/ CDP that is tailored to the needs of the applicant/ candidate.
- Be actively involved in the grant preparation process grantsmanship issues = poor mentoring
- Avoid scientific overlap + no text duplication from R01

### CTB Website: <a href="https://www.cancer.gov/grants-training/training/funding">www.cancer.gov/grants-training/training/funding</a>



# Take home message



Motivate your students/ postdocs to apply



www.cancer.gov/espanol