

# Professional Development Workshop

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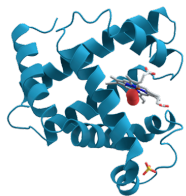


## Funding Opportunities in Cancer Biology

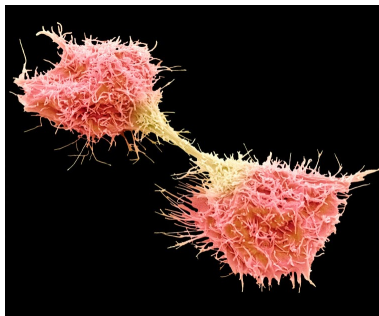


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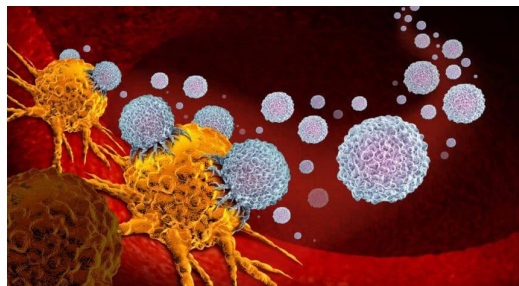
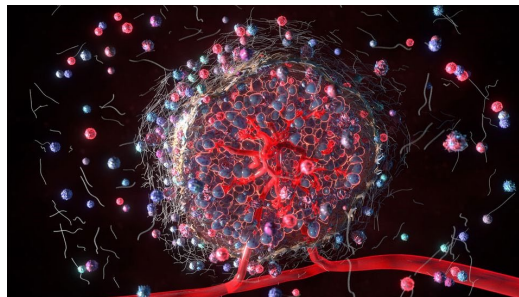
# DCB Covers Research Across the Cancer Spectrum and Biological Scales



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**Cellular**



**Microenvironment**



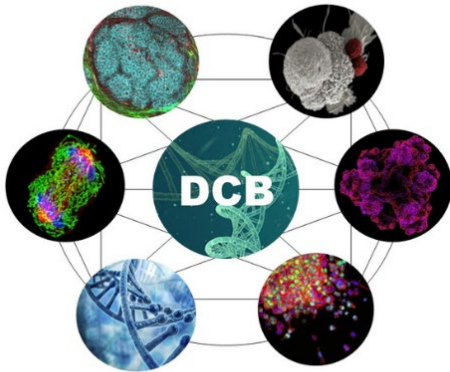
**Organ Systems**

**Organelle**

**Tumor**

# Current NCI Funding Opportunities in Cancer Biology

Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs) supported by the NCI Division of Cancer Biology can be found at [cancer.gov/dcb](https://cancer.gov/dcb)



# Funding Opportunities Related to *Cancer Health Disparities*

## **PAR-21-322, PAR-21-323 & PAR-21-324: *Basic Research in Cancer Health Disparities (R01, R21, & R03)***

Support basic, mechanistic research into the biological/genetic causes of cancer health disparities.



NOFOs and  
Fact sheets

## **PAR-22-114: *Administrative Supplements to Support Cancer Disparity Collaborative Research***

Promotes new cancer disparities research among investigators who do not normally conduct it and encourages the partnership of experienced cancer research investigators with cancer disparities-focused researchers



# DCB Contacts for NOFOs related to *Cancer Health Disparities*



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# Funding Opportunities Related to *Diet and Metabolism*

**PAR-23-051 & PAR-23-052:**  
***Mechanistic links between diet, lipid metabolism, and tumor growth and progression (UH2 & U01)***

Support fundamental investigations of the links between diet, lipid metabolism, and tumor growth/progression.

**PAR-21-331 & PAR-21-332:**  
***Mechanisms that impact cancer risk after bariatric surgery (R01 & R21)***

Support studies addressing mechanisms by which bariatric surgery impacts cancer risk and seeks to draw in scientists who study bariatric surgery to investigate its effects on cancer.

**NOT-CA-21-121 (NOSI):**  
***Dietary effects on nutrient sensing pathways in tumor etiology and prevention***

Supports basic research investigating the biology and molecular mechanisms that determine the outcome of key diet/nutrient/cell interactions during early tumor development.



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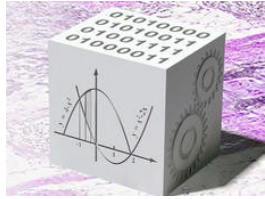


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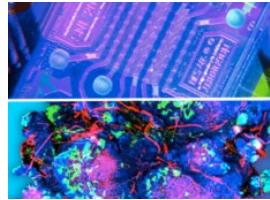
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# Funding Opportunities Related to *Physical Sciences, Engineering, and Biomaterials*



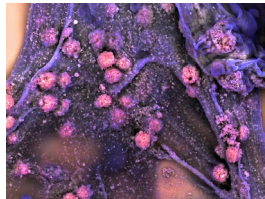
## **PAR-22-147: *Research Projects in Physical Sciences-Oncology (U01)***

Supports research projects addressing challenging problems in cancer using a physical science framework, perspective, or approach, which will be a part of the **Physical Sciences – Oncology Network (PS-ON)**.



## **PAR-22-099: *Cancer Tissue Engineering Collaborative - Enabling Biomimetic Tissue-Engineered Technologies for Cancer Research (R01)***

Supports the development and characterization of state-of-the-art biomimetic tissue-engineered technologies for cancer research, which will be a part of **Cancer TEC**.



## **NOT-CA-23-030 (NOSI): *Adaptive Biomaterials for Cancer Biology***

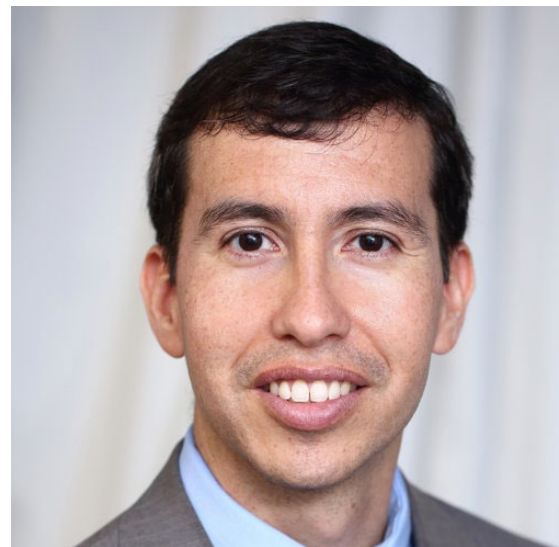
Support research focusing on the development, adaptation, or integration of innovative biomaterials for cancer biology.



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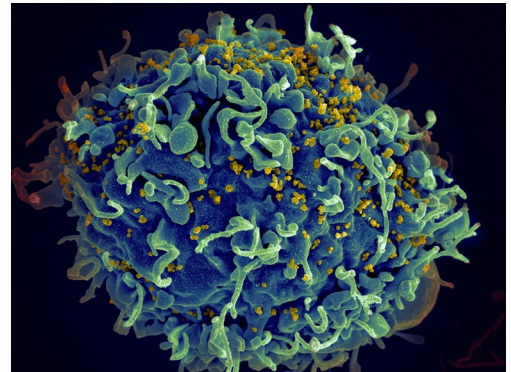
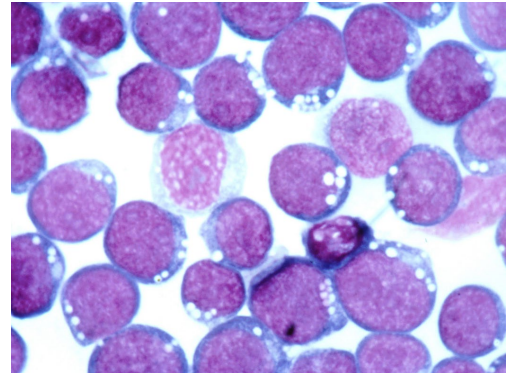
# Funding Opportunities Related to *Viral Infections and Cancer*

**PAR-21-348: *The role of Epstein Barr virus (EBV) infection in Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (NHL) and Hodgkin disease (HD) development with or without an underlying HIV infection (U01)***

Supports research projects examining the role of EBV infection on NHL and HD development, which will form the **Epstein Barr Virus associated Lymphoma Consortium (EALC)**.

**RFA-CA-22-056 & RFA-CA-22-057:  
*Basic/Translational Research on Health Disparities in Underrepresented People Living with HIV (PLWH) and Cancer (R01 & R21)***

Support research focusing on the biological interactions of cancer health disparities in people living with HIV (PLWH) from underrepresented minority groups.



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# Funding Opportunities Related to *Cancer Immunology*

**PAR-22-061 & PAR-22-062:**  
***Modulating Human Microbiome  
Function to Enhance Immune  
Responses Against Cancer (R01 & R21)***

Support basic research that elucidates mechanisms by which the microbiome inhibits or enhances anti-tumor immune responses and identifies targets for cancer prevention strategies.

**PAR-22-085 & PAR-22-086**  
***Microbial-based Cancer  
Imaging and Therapy -  
Bugs as Drugs (R01 & R21)***

Support research investigating novel microbial-based cancer therapy, imaging detection, and diagnosis strategies to overcome the limitations of inadequate conventional cancer imaging and therapies.

**NOT-CA-22-063 (NOSI):**  
***Basic Mechanisms of Immune-  
related Adverse Events (irAEs) in  
Cancer Immunotherapy***

Supports mechanistic research that aims to improve the understanding of the pathophysiology of irAEs related to immunotherapy.

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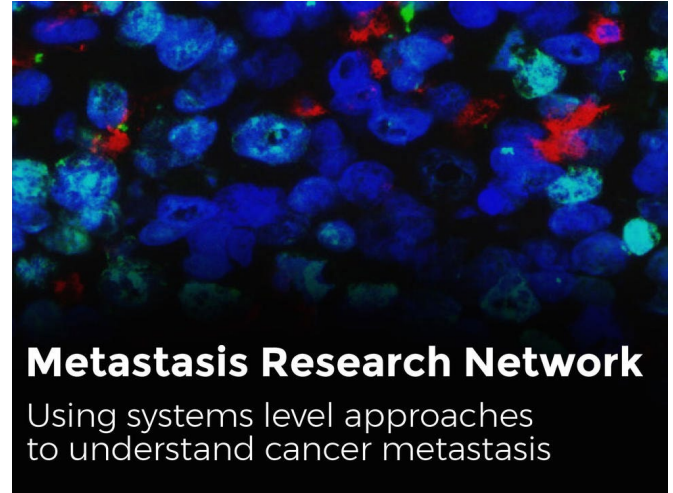
# Funding Opportunity Related to *Metastasis*

**PAR-22-234:**

***The Metastasis Research Network (MetNet):  
MetNet Research Projects (U01)***

Supports research projects that use systems-level approaches to address gaps and opportunities in metastasis research, which will be a part of the **MetNet**.

***Next Receipt Dates: October 23, 2023, June 20, 2024,  
October 23, 2024, June 20, 2025***



MetNet  
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# Funding Opportunities Related to *Bladder Cancer*

## **PAR-22-218 & PAR-22-219: *Biology of Bladder Cancer (R01 & R21)***

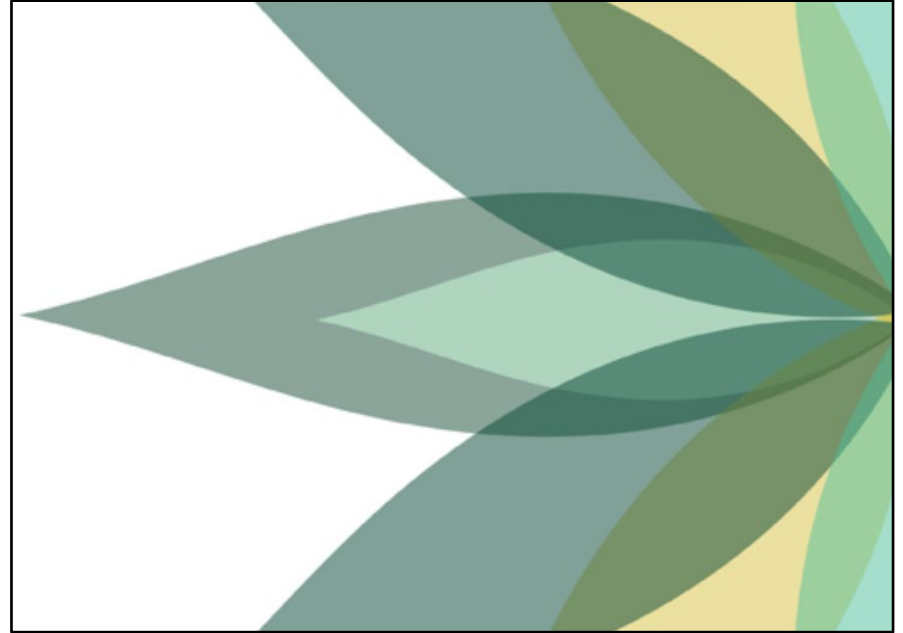
Supports research projects investigating the biology and underlying mechanisms of bladder cancer.



# Funding Opportunity Related to *Cannabis & Cancer*

**NOT-CA-22-085 (NOSI):**  
***Basic Mechanisms of Cannabis and  
Cannabinoid Action in Cancer***

Supports research in understanding the mechanisms by which cannabis and cannabinoids affect cancer biology, cancer interception, cancer treatment and resistance, and management of cancer symptoms.



# DCB Contact for NOFOs related to *Bladder Cancer and Cannabis Action in Cancer*



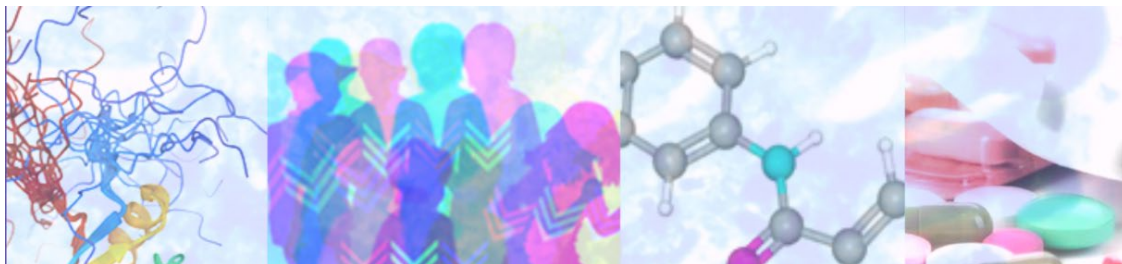
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# Funding Opportunities for *Pediatric Fusion Oncoproteins*

## *The Targeting Fusion Oncoproteins in Childhood Cancers (TFCC) Network*

- **RFA-CA-23-037, *Next Generation Chemistry Centers for Fusion Oncoproteins (UM1 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)***, <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-23-037.html>: Combining chemical biology technologies and chemoproteomic approaches to target fusion-driven cancers
- **RFA-CA-23-036, *Mechanisms of Fusion-Driven Oncogenesis in Childhood Cancers (U01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)***, <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-CA-23-036.html>: Molecular mechanisms by which fusion oncoproteins drive pediatric cancers with the goals of identifying potential drug targets and understanding their mechanistic underpinnings on disease formation.



***Pre-app Webinar: August 11, 2023***  
***Due Date: November 15, 2023***

# Getting a Grant from the NCI

On April 21, 2022, NCI held a webinar on NCI grant policies. It covered considerations for new and experienced applicants, as well as information about peer review.

*The webinar recording, presentation slides, and FAQs can be found at [cancer.gov/dcb](https://cancer.gov/dcb).*



# NCI Division of Cancer Biology (DCB) *New Grantee Workshop*

DCB offers an annual workshop for new and early-stage investigators to familiarize them with the processes of DCB, NCI, and NIH.



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