



## ***ASCRS Research Foundation***

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### **General Surgery Resident Research Initiation Grant**

***Length of Award:*** 1-2 years  
***Amount:*** \$20,000/year  
***Deadline:*** March 1

**Purpose:** To attract General Surgery Residents or recent Graduates of such programs into the field of Colon and Rectal Surgery by providing opportunities to engage in clinical or laboratory-based research focused on diseases of the colon, rectum and anus.

#### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- General Surgical Residents or recent Graduates of a US or Canadian approved General Surgery Training Program.

#### **Review Criteria:**

- 5 page research proposal (Including: Background, Specific Aims, Significance, Study Design and Methods, Anticipated Outcomes, Cited Literature)
- Letter from Research Mentor approving research proposal, assuring space, supplies and infrastructure as well as outlining Mentor's role and expectations.
- Letter of support and approval from Chairman of Department of Surgery.
- Letter of support from Fellow of the ASCRS.
- Biographical sketches from applicant, Mentor and all co-investigators/collaborators.

**Award Provisions:**

- Maximum 5 per year.
- Competitive one year award with opportunity to apply for second year via a competitive renewal application.
- The award is to support research activities, including salary and living expenses.
- Funding limited to “Direct Cost Only” budgets. Additional indirect costs will not be approved.
- It is anticipated that applicant will seek matching/complementary funding from her/his Department of origin and/or Mentor.
- Institutional supplementation of salary must not require extra duties or responsibilities that would interfere with the purpose of the grant.
- Applicant must have designated time for research and no clinical responsibility.
- Preference given to applicants with research or clinical career goals in the field of Colon & Rectal Surgery and whose research Mentor or Co-Investigator is a Fellow of ASCRS.

**Mail 2 completed proposals (on 3-hole punch paper)**  
**and a copy on CD to:**

Ronald Bleday, M.D., Chair, Research Committee  
RESEARCH FOUNDATION OF ASCRS  
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If you have any questions, please call the Research Foundation office at (847) 956-1846.

Sincerely,

Ronald Bleday, MD, Chair  
Research Committee