

## **ICONIC Pilot Award**

The Center for Immunology and Immune Based Diseases is requesting applications for the ICONIC Pilot Award, aimed at promoting Impactful **Con**nections and **N**ew Interdisciplinary **Co**llaborations within our membership.

**PURPOSE:** To provide support for <u>collaborative</u> immunology-focused pilot research projects, with the goal of providing \$30,000 for up to 2 meritorious proposals each year.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Faculty, staff and trainees at the University of Iowa engaged in collaborative, immunology-focused research. A minimum of two principal investigators (PI) is required per proposal, and at least one PI must be a member of the Center for Immunology and Immune Based Diseases. Projects must either establish a new collaboration between investigators or address a new research direction if investigators have an existing collaboration.

**INITIAL APPLICATION:** Applications should be submitted to immunology-center@uiowa.edu by **January 17, 2025 at 5PM**. Application instructions are below.

- 1. Cover Page (one page limit)
  - a. Title
  - b. Investigators
  - c. Investigator affiliations
  - d. Statement describing the collaboration. Please address the contributions of each PI and describe whether this is a new collaboration or a new scientific direction.
- 2. Research Strategy (two page limit)
  - a. Significance (may include a maximum of 2 Figures and/or Tables)
  - b. Innovation
  - c. Approach
  - d. Potential for future grant support
- 3. References (no page limit)
- 4. No budget is needed, but note that funds cannot be used for salary or tuition.

**NEXT STEPS:** Applications will be evaluated by a panel of Center members but applicants will not receive critques/feedback. The award winner(s) will be required to give an *oral presentation* during an interactive session for Center members on **February 12, 2025 at 1 p.m**.