

Letter of Intent for Aniridia and/or Albinism Research

Please complete the following document and e-mail along with a PI Biosketch to susan.wolfe@visionfortomorrow.org

The LOI file should be named in the following format: **Abbreviated Institution Name_PI First Name_Last Name_Project Title_Year_Month.doc** (Example – UIC_Jane_Doe_Maddonic Acid for Rockitis_2016_11.doc)

Dear Applicant-thank you for your interest in the Vision for Tomorrow aniridia and albinism research initiative. To assist you in deciding whether to apply, and what to include in your application, here are the questions **we will be asking our Science Reviewers** about your grant. **Note-you are not supposed to answer these questions**:

- 1. 1) Is this proposed research likely to create clinical impact for patients with aniridia or albinism in the next 3-5 years?
- 2. 2) Is this proposed research unique and/or innovative in some way that is likely to create either a breakthrough in these diseases, or provide some new strong fundamental knowledge that will make future breakthroughs possible?
- 3. 3) If this project is a clinical trial, is this project likely to show clinically significant difference between control and test groups, or clinically significant differences from the normal course of the disease where there is no control group? Is the proposed research designed to create a treatment that appropriately balances efficacy with safety?
- 4. 4) If this is a pre-clinical study, will it quickly lead to a clinical trial, or to off-label use? Are the animals or cell based models being used valid and reliable?
- 5. 5) Are the costs and timelines as minimal as possible to accomplish the purpose of the project?
- 6. 6) Is the applicant likely to have the credentials, ability and support to conduct the research, and does the applicant have knowledge about these diseases that would support the research?

We look forward to receiving your LOI.

Letter of Intent Form

PI First Name	
Last Name	
Institution, Organization or	
Corporation Name	
Degree(s)	
Dept/Division	
Academic or Business Title	
LOI Submission Date	
PI Mailing Address	
City	
State	
Country	
Postal Code	
PI Office Phone	
Mobile Phone	
E-Mail Address	
Estimated project length	
Estimated overall project cost and	Overall Project Cost:
budget breakdown (Overall cost-	Budget Items:
effectiveness is a critical decision	A-Personnel-
criterion. Be as frugal as you can and still accomplish your goals. Indirect	
costs are not allowed for these grants.	B-Patient Costs
However, up to 10% of the can be applied to direct admin costs, if	C-Core Facilities
justified.	D-Supplies
	E-Other costs (animals)
If this is a clinical trial, have you filed	
an application with the FDA for a new	
use for this therapy? If so, please	
supply the NDA#, BLA#, 510K#, or	
PMA#.	

If a clinical trial, estimated number of	
patients to be treated	
If a clinical trial, estimated length of	
patient treatment	
What primary disease will this	
research impact? What other	
diseases might be impacted?	
What other funders have evaluated	
(or might evaluate) this proposed	
project?	
Have you or your tech transfer office	
protected the intellectual property	
involved in this research? If so, what	
have you done, when did you do it	
and what stage is it in?	
Have you or anyone else published	
(or have a manuscript submitted on)	
this research idea or disclosed it to	
the public in any way?	

PLEASE PROVIDE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THREE SCIENTISTS QUALIFIED TO REVIEW YOUR GRANT **(AFTER THEY SIGN A NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT WITH US)** FROM OUTSIDE OF YOUR INSTITUTION/ORGANIZATION/CORPORATION, NOT INVOLVED IN ANY OF YOUR RESEARCH, AND WITH NO KNOWN CONFLICT OF INTEREST. **PLEASE LIST THEM IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE.**

	Potential Reviewer #1
Name	
Institution	
Email address	
Office phone	
	Potential Reviewer #2
Name	
Institution	
Email address	
Office phone	
	Potential Reviewer #3
Name	
Institution	
Email address	
Office phone	

Research Project Title:

Research Description: (Please type here and onto an additional page, if necessary. Please limit your description to not more than 600 words describing the proposed research project. In addition, you may also provide references to up to 5 supportive published articles.)

Introduction

Approach

Expected outcome