

EMHSeed Information Session

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EMHSeed Program

- Initiated in 2015, with goal of leveraging UofT's combination of world-class engineering and world-class medical research
- Provides seed funding for innovative research partnerships between Engineering, Medicine, and the TAHSN¹ Research Institutes

1 - Toronto Academic Health Sciences Network

EMHSeed Program

Engineering	Medicine
Engineering co-PI	Medicine/Hospital co-PI
\$15k /yr from Department/Institute	15k /yr from Department/Institute
\$15k /yr from the Faculty or TBEP or Medicine by Design (decided by the committee, after submission)	\$15k /yr from the Faculty or TBEP or Medicine by Design (decided by the committee, after submission)

EMHSeed Program - Criteria

2-page proposals + attachments (typically letters of cash support from departments/institutes) addressing:

- ✓ **A new opportunity.** Typically, PIs will not previously have collaborated. Priority will be given to research teams that include at least one coPI in her/his **first 10 years as a faculty member**.
- ✓ **A clear overarching goal.**
- ✓ **Excellence in research.** Solve an important, unsolved, problem at the engineering-medicine interface.
- ✓ **A clear plan on collaboration.**
- ✓ **A gateway to a major funded partnership.**
- ✓ **Compelling annual milestones.**



Competitive
process –
address all
criteria fully

EMHSeed Program – Feedback from 2015

Feedback from last years' committee:

1. Applicants should pay special attention to the criteria section in the call for proposals and address each criterion explicitly and clearly.
2. One of the applicants should be a researcher within his or her first 10 years as a faculty member. Don't leave it to the committee to dig through the CVs.
3. The project should be a true collaboration, not two related, parallel projects.
4. The applicants should not have collaborated before.
5. This is *seed* funding. The proposal should describe clearly and as specifically as possible how and where it will lead a major grant application.

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- Submissions due to vdr@ecf.utoronto.ca by 5PM, Dec 9, 2016
- No MRA submission required at this stage

- Questions?
- FAQ sheets circulating
- Open Discussion/Networking/Planning

