

## 2023 Penn Synergy Grant Proposal Instructions

**Summary:** This program aims to connect faculty from different domains, through science and innovation, to spur new synergistic collaboration as well as potential for external funding.

**Proposals:** Proposals are limited to two pages (Arial 11, 0.5" margins) including aims/hypotheses, significance, approach, and note of the likely impact and future effort based on this effort. In addition, short NIH-style biosketches of PIs and all key personnel must be submitted, along with a one-page budget and justification. Funds should not be used for equipment.

**Scoring criteria:** Teams must represent interdepartmental collaborations (i.e. feature multi-PIs, from at least two departments). Projects will be judged for their innovation, must address an important clinical or translational problem, and have the potential to lead to new external funding.

**Funding:** Awards will be made for a one to two-year period, in amounts up to \$100K total. Start dates and duration of funding will be flexible based on the needs of the project.

**Due dates:** Proposals are due by February 1, 2023 at 5:00 PM. Submissions are to be made via a single PDF file emailed to [faith.brown@penmedicine.upenn.edu](mailto:faith.brown@penmedicine.upenn.edu). Proposals will be reviewed by a steering committee (including Professors Lynch, Roth, and Soslowsky, as well as Chairs of participating Departments or their designee, and additional reviewers as needed).

**Questions:** All inquiries should be made via email to [faith.brown@penmedicine.upenn.edu](mailto:faith.brown@penmedicine.upenn.edu).

**Additional program requirements:** Funded teams must demonstrate their work progress to the steering committee approximately six months after funding. Teams will also present their work at an annual retreat of the program participants.

**Support** of this program must be acknowledged in publications as "this project was supported by the Penn Synergy Program."