**LIMITED SUBMISSION: Rita Allen Foundation Scholars Program**

****PLEASE NOTE: ONE (1) CANDIDATE FROM TUFTS MAY BE NOMINATED****

**DEADLINES:**
Tufts Internal Email of Intent Deadline: July 17 by noon
Sponsor Deadline:
- LOI September 11
- Full Application October 23

For those interested, please send an email of intent (EOI) to the Limited Submissions Team at limitedsubmissions@tufts.edu informing us of an intention to apply. EOIs received after the deadline will not be considered. The email of intent must include:

1. The name of the solicitation.
2. The name of the nominee, and confirmation of eligibility.
3. A 2-3 sentence description of the proposed project.

Should the number of interested applicants exceed the number allowed by the funder, an internal selection process will be conducted by the Office of the Vice Provost for Research, and candidates will be notified to submit internal application materials. All candidates will be notified of results. NB: Successful applications must include official notification from the Limited Submissions Team in order to submit. For more information, please see [http://viceprovost.tufts.edu/resources/funding/limited-submissions/](http://viceprovost.tufts.edu/resources/funding/limited-submissions/)

**PROGRAM PURPOSE:**
- To support distinguished early career investigators in the fields of cancer, immunology, and neuroscience

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**
- Research must be basic biomedical research in the fields of cancer, immunology, or neuroscience
- Research must be innovative and have above-average risk and groundbreaking possibilities
- Projects should have bold approaches to basic scientific questions that address problems of global concern, as well as potential for learning, leadership and collaboration
- Must be able to articulate how a Rita Allen Foundation Scholars Award would enable the candidate to pursue new ideas and take strategic risks
- Must be able to describe how this proposal differs from or relates to the candidate’s other supported projects

**ELIGIBILITY:** Open to early career stage investigators in tenure-track positions, preferably within the first three years of tenure track. *Please note that the foundation discourages resubmissions.* Candidates must have received committed startup funds from the institution and must have lab space from the institution. Recipients may not accept an award from the Beckman Young Investigator Program, Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences, Searle Scholars Program or Vallee Scholars Program that would take effect beginning in year one of the Rita Allen Foundation award. Please follow [Tufts PI eligibility policies](http://viceprovost.tufts.edu/resources/funding/limited-submissions/).

**AWARD INFORMATION:** Recipients will be awarded up to $110,000 per year for a period of five years; cap of 50% of scholar’s labor.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** [http://ritaallen.org/scholars/](http://ritaallen.org/scholars/)

**NOTE:** Program announcement instructions supersede instructions delivered in this document.

All materials are to be submitted electronically to the Limited Submissions Committee at limitedsubmissions@tufts.edu.