The Additional Ventures Catalyst to Independence Award is a transition award that supports the next generation of researchers, catalyzing their careers and efforts to solve the biggest questions in single ventricle heart disease.

In addition to generous research funds, the Catalyst Award provides research and career development support to investigators during the later stages of a mentored postdoctoral research position (Level I) through the transition to an independent tenure track research position (Level II). Award funds include stipend, annual research expenses, salary support for technical staff, and a supplement that can be used for health or family care.

**Eligibility**

Applicants must have earned a PhD, MD, or doctoral equivalent more than 1 year prior to the application due date and must have held their current role for at least 1 year. Additionally, applicants must have current postdoctoral fellow or instructor status (or equivalent) and be in non-independent, mentored positions.

**What Fits**

Additional Ventures is on a mission to solve single ventricle heart disease, guided by our Research Roadmap to address the critical knowledge gaps within this field and beyond. The Catalyst Award provides support for outstanding investigators pursuing topics relevant to single ventricle heart disease and aligned with the specific focus areas in the Roadmap – genetics, basic cardiovascular development, tissue engineering, computational modeling, and other relevant areas.