The Toffler Scholar Program was created by the Trustees of the Karen Toffler Charitable Trust, a 501 C3 nonprofit foundation focused on early-stage research that advances the medical field in profound, high-impact ways. Tapping into the deep legacy of their founders, best-selling authors and futurists, Alvin and Heidi Toffler, the Trust exists to be a catalyst for future-focused breakthroughs.

The Toffler Scholar Program focuses on helping medical researchers gain access to support, and a network for often underfunded innovations. It is a nimble source of financial support for scientists working on early-stage, future-focused brain science. Together with the university, the Program helps foster new ways of thinking and problem solving to find solutions to humanity’s most difficult problems.

Previous JHU grantee: Dr. Zhe Zhang (Pathology) - 2021

Eligibility & Requirements:
- Graduate and Ph.D. students, Postdocs, and Assistant Professors may apply.
- Applicants must be working in areas related to neurodegeneration, neurodegenerative diseases or autoimmune disorders.
- Proposed research projects may be basic or translational in nature.
- Projects that already receive or will receive significant extramural funding (NIH, NSF, DOD, commercial entities, other foundations, etc.) will not be considered.

Interested applicants should complete their application at the following link: https://jhu.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1860067. Requirements are listed below.

1. Proposal (maximum of three-pages of text only, single-spaced: 12-pt font and one-inch margins)
2. Budget summary (maximum of one-page)
3. Supplemental figures (optional: maximum of three-pages)
4. Biosketch in NIH-format. NOTE: students and postdocs must also include the biosketch of their advisor or mentor.
5. Letter of recommendation from department chair/division chief, mentor or current supervisor.

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