



RNA_{in} Cancer

Call for Proposals Funding of International collaborative projects

We proudly announce a joint call for proposals as part of the "RNA in Cancer" Initiative between the **Giuliani RNA Center (GRC)** at Brown University & the **Rappaport Cancer Research Center (RTICC)** at the Technion

RNA biology is rapidly transforming our understanding of cancer pathogenesis, diagnosis, and therapeutics. This multidisciplinary initiative aims to bring together RTICC and GRC members to foster a collaborative community dedicated to advancing RNA research and its regulation in cancer, from basic science to translational studies.

We encourage bold, high-risk/high-reward scientific ideas bridging different disciplines.

About the Funding

- Applications will be jointly submitted by at least two Faculty PIs: one from the RTICC and one from the GRC.
- The grant will sponsor the exchange of graduate students by combining their complementary expertise, while offering co-mentoring and hands-on training of students in both laboratories.
- Overall, **6 collaborative grants will be selected for funding in a total sum of \$50,000** for a period of 2 years (\$25,000 per year).
- The exchange will begin as early as January 2027 for an initial period of one year, with the possibility of extension for an additional year depending on a brief progress report and student performance.
- The funding will support an 8-to-12-week annual stay at the host laboratory (Providence or Haifa), preferably in the summer, including travel, lodging, and living stipends.
- The funding will also support reciprocal visits for the collaborating PIs.
- A brief progress report is required at the end of the first year of the funding period.

Selection Criteria

- Scientific Merit of the research proposal.
- Clear and well-justified need for the collaboration.
- Feasible research plan, executable within the 2-year timeframe.
- High potential to generate preliminary data for successful competitive external grants.

Submission Instructions

- Applications should be submitted electronically via the following link-
- https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/Vmpe_dSqUfE
- The application will include:
 1. An abstract (up to 250 words).
 2. A short research plan (2 pages) including the problem to be solved, its significance, a brief introduction, the research hypothesis, specific aims, preliminary results, a concise research plan, the expected outcome, and the importance and contributions of the collaborating investigators.
 3. Short CV of the graduate student(s).
 4. Brief CV (3 pages max) of the PIs, including publications and funding from the past 5 years.

Recognition

- The recipients will recognize the funding in publications resulting from the project.

✈️ Visit the [RTICC](#) and [GRC](#) websites to identify potential collaborators!

DEADLINE: November 18th, 2026

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