



Magee-Womens Research Institute

T32 Training Program: Reproductive Development from Gonads to Fetuses

Thank you for your interest in the MWRI T32 training program on Reproductive Development from Gonads to Fetuses (RDGF).

The goal of the RDGF T32 training program is to attract the most qualified graduate students (PhD or MD/PhD) and postdoctoral trainees at the University of Pittsburgh to pursue training and careers in the reproductive sciences. The program will provide trainees with the education, resources and technical experience to conduct impactful science, while adhering to the principles of responsible conduct of research (RCR) and scientific integrity. Rigorous oversight and progress review of Trainee/Mentor teams will ensure that trainees are fully immersed in all aspects of academic career development, including career development coursework, publications, grant submissions and attendance/presentation at local and national/international meetings. Research productivity (publications and grants) combined with connections made in the reproductive biology community at meetings will set the stage for advancement to the next stage in career development.

Eligibility requirements for the RDGF Training Program include:

Graduate Student Applicants

- Must be US citizen or green card holder
- Accepted into a qualified University of Pittsburgh PhD graduate program
- Must identify a mentor on the RDGF T32 faculty list who is willing & able to take a new trainee in their lab
- Mentor must have a minimum 2-year funding horizon and/or
- A letter from Chair or Institute director confirming support through the completion of training
- With mentor, develop an eligible research plan in reproductive sciences

Postdoctoral Applicants

- Must be US citizen or green card holder
- Must identify a mentor on the RDGF T32 faculty list who is willing & able to take a new trainee in their lab
- Mentor must have a minimum 2-year funding horizon and/or
- A letter from Chair or Institute director confirming support through the completion of training
- With mentor, develop eligible research plan in reproductive sciences

If you have questions about the eligibility requirements or need clarification, please contact the program director (Kyle Orwig: korwig@mwri.magee.edu) or the program administrator (Jen Orwig: jshuttleworth@mwri.magee.edu).

Trainee/Mentor teams must submit an application and associated supporting documents (see below) to the RDGF T32 training program administrator, Jennifer Orwig (jshuttleworth@mwri.magee.edu) for review by the executive committee.



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Mailing address	<input type="text"/>			
Phone	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Home</small>	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Cell</small>	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Office/Lab</small>	
Email address	<input type="text"/>			
Citizenship	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Country of Citizenship</small>	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">If Non-US Citizen, provide current visa status</small>		
Graduate training	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">MD</small>	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">PhD</small>	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Undergraduate Degree (specify)</small>	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Degree year</small>
	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">University name and location</small>			
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	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Dissertation/thesis title (if applicable)</small>			
Current position	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Position/title</small>	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Institution and location</small>		
	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Field of study/research interest</small>			
Mentorship and program dates	<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">MWRI Faculty mentor sponsoring your application</small>		<input type="text"/> <small style="text-align: center;">Anticipated start date</small>	

In addition to this application form, the following materials must be submitted to Jennifer Orwig electronically (as Word or PDF documents) at jshuttleworth@mwri.magee.edu.

- From the trainee applicant: 1) Cover letter including a statement of research interests, short-term fellowship goals, long-term career goals, and time frame for training.
- Curriculum vitae from the trainee applicant.
- NIH Biosketch from the proposed mentor.
- A short, NIH-formatted style application of up to two pages (Arial 11 pt font, ½ inch margins) that includes the following sections: abstract (250 word limit), significance, innovation, approach and references (Limit 2 pages, excluding references).
- Letter of recommendation from the proposed mentor, which includes a brief summary of the proposed research and its fit within the mentor's ongoing research program and a proposed funding plan.
- Two letters of recommendation (in addition to the mentor letter), addressed to the Executive Committee of the T32 training program in Reproductive Development from Gonads to Fetuses.
- Letter from department chair or institute director indicating commitment to space and resources for the mentor and support of the trainee through the completion of their training.

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FOR NIH REPORTING

As an institution that receives federal funds for trainees, MWRI is required to report demographic information regarding our applicants and participants to our training programs. **Provision of the following information is voluntary.** Applicants and trainees are strongly encouraged to provide this information; however declining to do so will in no way affect their appointments. Racial/ethnic/disability/background data are confidential and all analyses utilizing the data will report aggregate statistical findings only and will not identify individuals.

What is your race? African American Hispanic
 Alaskan Native Middle Eastern
 American Indian Pacific Islander
 Asian White
 Other Do not wish to provide

Are you Hispanic? Yes No Do not wish to provide

What is your gender? Male Female Do not wish to provide

Do you have a disability? Yes No Do not wish to provide

Do you come from a disadvantaged background? Yes No Do not wish to provide

Individuals falling in this category must have qualified for Federal disadvantaged assistance or have received Health Professional Student Loans (HPSL), Loans for Disadvantaged Student Program, or Scholarships from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the Scholarship for Individuals with Exceptional Financial Need.
