

UCSC QB3 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO DEPARTMENT CHAIRS

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RFP 0801: UCSC QB3 CORE FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

OVERVIEW AND CRITERIA

UCSC QB3 is seeking proposals for core facilities and equipment that would benefit new faculty currently being targeted for recruitment. Proposed facilities and equipment should benefit a significant number of laboratories on campus as well as a variety of disciplines and should have the potential to leverage additional funding from other sources. Requests should be submitted by department chairs and should specifically explain how the facility and/or equipment would help recruit new faculty and augment shared research facilities that benefit multiple research groups. In keeping with QB3's mandate, requests should describe how the proposed project might lead to the creation of jobs or tax revenue or provide training that will impact the future work force in the State of California. The proposed facility and equipment must be made available to all QB3 researchers, including those from other campuses. Interaction with California-based industry is encouraged (for example, collaborations involving the facility or support of the facility by industry). Identification of matching funds or leverage for the project will strengthen the proposal. Applicants must indicate who will direct the facility or be primarily responsible for the equipment, where it will be located, how it will be staffed, how access/usage will be provided, and how it will be funded beyond the period of this award.

Any amount of funding may be requested. Funds may be used for equipment, staffing, warranties and maintenance agreements, facility supplies and reagents, and modest facilities improvements and must be expended within one year of the award.

ELIGIBILITY

Department Chairs from the departments of Biomolecular Engineering, Chemistry and Biochemistry, Electrical Engineering, Environmental Toxicology, and Molecular, Cell and Developmental Biology are eligible to apply.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Submit a one-page proposal following the format below via email to Ann Pace (pace@soe.ucsc.edu). Initial review of proposals will commence on Monday 5 and will continue during the current recruitment season.

PROPOSAL FORMAT

1. What is being requested?
2. How would it benefit current recruitment effort(s)?
3. Who will use the facility or equipment, and what different disciplines will benefit from it?
4. List any existing or potential collaborations between UCSC labs and UCSF, UC Berkeley, or industry that this equipment/facility would enable or enhance.
5. Who will direct the facility or be responsible for the equipment?
6. Where will it be located; how will it be staffed; how will access be provided?

7. How will the equipment/facility be supported in the future?
8. How will it help leverage additional funding from other sources? List existing or potential sources of leverage.
9. How might the facility/equipment lead to the creation of jobs or tax revenue or provide training to the future work force for the State of California?

REVIEW PROCESS AND AWARD

Applications will be reviewed by the UCSC QB3 Executive Committee based on the criteria described in this RFP. Awards are contingent on the successful hire of the targeted faculty and the provision that the equipment or facility remains communal. Applicants will be contacted after their applications have been reviewed, and it is anticipated that awards will be made on a rolling basis during this recruitment season.

FUTURE QB3 GRANT PROGRAMS

QB3 funding opportunities are posted online at <http://www.cbse.ucsc.edu/research/funding.shtml>.