

Elevating translational research through mentorship, training, and networking



iTRT is a unique, new **training and mentoring program** supporting **early-career physician-scientists and scientists**, providing participants with the skills, know-how, and network needed for establishing and managing biomedical research labs in Israel. The program will provide mentorship by leading physician-scientists in Israel, alongside workshops and training sessions.

Key Elements of the Program include:

01

Grant writing, including comprehensive training in planning a research project, crafting grant proposals, and hands-on editing of individual submissions by participants.

02

Overview and in-depth insights of **local and international funding opportunities**.

03

Skills training, including staff management, budgeting, time management.

04

Career path management as a physician-scientist and hospital-based scientist in Israel.

05

Networking and peer learning **across disciplines and organizations**.

Register to apply by **February 20, 2024**

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Application deadline: March 31, 2024

Full applications should be submitted as PDF documents to ofri@8400thn.org

Participation fee: 2,800 NIS (Possible reimbursement through Keren Kishrei Mada).

* Special consideration will be provided for individuals affected by the war.

Eligibility and Application:

- Applicants must have a prior history of 3 years dedicated to laboratory-based research in Israel or abroad.
- Applicants' research must be conducted in a medical center (MDs, MD-PhDs, PhDs).
- Applicants must be in the process of setting up an independent laboratory.

Each application should include the following documents:

- 01** A detailed letter of intent including personal statements and research career goals, as well as a detailed plan of 5-years career development. The letter should include a description of the research environment, mentorship, space etc.
- 02** A research proposal composed of an abstract and up to 4 pages of single-spaced text (fonts not smaller than 11 Arial) including figures and excluding the bibliography. No need to detail budget but it is important to describe the laboratory means enabling the project.
 - a. Research must include laboratory-based basic/translational biomedical research.
 - b. Research project must reach novel insight into the biological basis of human health and disease.
- 03** An updated CV written according to [NIH Biosketch](#) format.
- 04** A complete list of publications, including all authors (when less than 20), separating research from other types of papers. The name of the applicant should be marked in bold or underlined.
- 05 The following letters:**
 - a. Letter from the director of the medical center describing the commitment of the center for the career of the candidate.
 - b. Letter from the department chair with clear commitment of mentoring and at least 50% research time protection. If the department chair is the main mentor, then the letter should include the items described below.
 - c. A letter from the mentor (or mentors) describing in detail the mentorship framework and research environment.
 - d. A CV of the mentor
 - e. Applicants may add up to two additional letters of support.

Program Timeline:

The program will take place during two overnight segments, with ad-hoc virtual sessions in between.

Segment 01

Planning your research project, grant writing and funding opportunities
September 10-13, 2024
(Overnight)

Segment 02

Forging your career as a physician-scientist: from budget management to team building and translating your research
January 2025
(Overnight - dates TBD)