



2025

Colon Cancer Alliance for Research and Education for Lynch Syndrome  
(CCARE Lynch Syndrome)

And

Collaborative Group of the Americas on Inherited Gastrointestinal  
Cancers (CGA-IGC)

Lynch Syndrome Research Award

### ***Request for Applications***

- **DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JULY 11, 2025, AT 5.00 PM PACIFIC TIME**
  - **APPLY: [cgaigc.com/grant-opportunities](https://cgaigc.com/grant-opportunities)**
  - **Award Amount: \$36,000 total over 2 years (\$18,000 per year)**
  - **Award period/length of award: January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2027**
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CGA-IGC's & CCARE Lynch Syndrome's **joint mission** is to advance the care of patients and family members with Lynch syndrome by ensuring that professional education and cutting-edge research inform optimal patient care in an equitable manner.

***Please review this document carefully prior to submission to ensure you have all parts of the application needed to complete the online submission. A checklist is provided at the end of this document.***

#### **OBJECTIVE**

The Collaborative Group of the Americas on Inherited Gastrointestinal Cancer (CGA-IGC) and CCARE Lynch Syndrome are offering an award for research projects that directly promote the joint mission of our organizations. Proposals submitted for consideration may address research, quality improvement, or patient engagement projects that are focused on improving the lives of patients with Lynch syndrome.

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## DESCRIPTION

An award of up to \$36,000 total over 2 years (\$18,000 per year) will be given to unique and creative projects based on competitive review. Preliminary or pilot projects do not necessarily require previous work or preliminary data. These awards are not designed to fund existing or ongoing activities. Grants submitted with matching funds will receive special attention. The initial award will be up to \$18,000 for the first year, with award of other half of the funding after review of a progress report from the first year. The total award period will be for two years; however, a no-cost extension may be considered with appropriate justification and approval by the CGA-IGC Grant Review Committee.

*Funding for this research grant comes from the generosity of CCARE Lynch Syndrome.*



## ELIGIBILITY & AWARD PROVISIONS

- The proposed research or activity must be investigator-initiated and conducted within North, Central or South America.
- The principal investigator must be a member in good standing of CGA-IGC at the time of grant submission and during the award period.
- All active members of the CGA-IGC, regardless of the degree or title, are encouraged to submit; however, early career investigators and members who have not been awarded previous grants are prioritized by the committee.
- Members of the CGA-IGC Grant Review Committee are ineligible for receiving funding from this award; however, can be co-investigators or advisors.
- Investigators may submit one application per CGA mechanism, per funding cycle.
- Trainees are eligible to submit if supporting documentation attesting to oversight and mentorship are included in the application.
- Applications not funded may be considered for other CGA grants, at the discretion of the Grant Review Committee.

*\*Important! Full CGA-IGC membership in good standing is required. To Join CGA-IGC, [click here](#).*

- The awarding of a grant, or renewal of an existing grant, is at the discretion of the Grant Review Committee and can be suspended from year to year.
- The scope of the proposed research should match the grant budget. All or part of a submitted proposal cannot be funded by another institution or agency, either local or national other than in the form of a matching grant.
- The submitting investigator agrees to complete the project based on the specific aims and budget submitted. Changes in specific aims or scope of the proposed project may be allowed with appropriate justification and approval by the CGA-IGC.
- Salary support for the investigator(s), travel funds or institutional indirect costs are not allowed.
- A progress report will be submitted at the end of the first year of funding to the Grant Review Committee with a final report being submitted within three months of completion of the grant period. A template for this report will be provided by the CGA-IGC.
- Successful applicants must agree to acknowledge CCARE Lynch Syndrome & CGA-IGC support in any publications or presentations that result from the research or project, with the following text: "Supported by the CCARE Lynch Syndrome & Collaborative Group of the Americas on Inherited Gastrointestinal Cancer."
- All awards will be recognized at the annual meeting. One or more of the investigators participating in the project are required to present their findings or outcomes of the project to the CGA-IGC membership at a future annual meeting



## REVIEW CRITERIA

In evaluating the merits of an application, the Committee will consider the following:

1. The nature and clarity of the project as a discrete, well-defined activity that can be completed within the proposed study period.
2. Clinical or scientific significance or relevance of the project as it pertains to Lynch syndrome.
3. Overall impact of the proposal (e.g. number of individuals or institutions that will benefit).
4. Availability of other resources to fund the proposal.
5. Ability of the investigator(s) to complete the Specific Aims or objectives of the proposal.
6. Project feasibility (including availability of adequate resources, personnel, and facilities) and measures of outcome.

- Documents should be formatted using 1" margins and a font no smaller than 11 point. The scientific proposal (Specific Aims + Research Plan/Strategy) must be no more than 3 pages TOTAL.
- Applications must be submitted through the CGA-IGC Grant Portal. All requested fields must be completed. A PDF copy of the grant application can be submitted through this portal. Please email [info@cgaigc.com](mailto:info@cgaigc.com) with any questions or for technical assistance.
- All parts of the application must be submitted by 5.00 PM PT on July 11, 2025, to be considered for review.

### **ALL sections below are counted in the 3-page-limit**

1. Abstract
2. Background/Significance/Innovation
  - Include details of how this proposal promotes the joint mission of the CGA-IGC and CCARE Lynch syndrome.
3. Specific Aims & Hypotheses
4. Pilot Data/Preliminary Work (not required, but can be included)
5. Project Plan/Strategy
  - Include project design, planned analysis and statistical considerations, expected outcomes, and a timeline for completion

### **ALL sections below items are excluded from the 3-page-limit**

#### **6. References Cited**

#### **7. Institutional Review Board (IRB) status (*if applicable*)**

- If the proposal involves the participation of human subjects, this section should include institutional review board status (approved, submitted, pending submission). Please note IRB approval is not required at the time of proposal submission, but approval or submission raises the feasibility of project.

#### **8. Conflict of interest (*if applicable*)**

- All applications should consider and address conflict of interest issues regarding copyright materials (device and drug patents).

#### **9. Budget**

- A detailed proposal budget should be included. Indicate how the funds will be allocated and justify each budget item.

#### **10. Supporting Letters (*if applicable*)**

- Mentor letters of support are required for Trainee applicants

#### **11. Biographical Sketch for Principal Investigator and Co-investigators (NIH format)**

#### **12. Current and pending other support for the Principal Investigator and mentor (*if applicable*)**



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION

## KEY DATES

- **March 10, 2025** - Application site opens
- **July 11, 2025** - Applications due
- **August 29, 2025** - Awards announced
- **October 8, 2025** - Recipients recognized at Annual Meeting Awards ceremony
- **January 1, 2026** - Funding start date

Please carefully review checklist on the next page. Any questions please contact us on [info@cgaigc.com](mailto:info@cgaigc.com)

## CHECKLIST

**All grant applications must be submitted through the CGA-IGC Grant Portal. Please review the grant requirements and checklists in detail prior to submission.**

### APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST:

- Confirm that you are a CGA-IGC member in good standing. This will be verified before your application is reviewed.
- The proposed project and team are located within North, Central or South America.
- The proposed project is investigator initiated.
- The proposed project is focused on Lynch syndrome.
- There is no award overlap: CGA does not provide duplicate funding (if part of a larger study, the budget explains how funds are not duplicated).
- Trainees are eligible if the application includes a letter of support from a mentor who will oversee the project.
- Members of Grant Review Committee are not eligible to receive funds (but can serve as co-investigators or advisors).