2026 Sprint to Lead LOI Form

Principal Investigator Information

1. First Name
2. Last Name
3. Degree (Multiselect list using following categories)
   - MD
   - PhD
   - DPhil
   - MS
   - MPH
   - Other
4. Primary institution (if awarded, the entity that will be the recipient of the grant agreement)
5. Academic Rank (Dropdown list using following categories)
   - Assistant Professor
   - Associate Professor
   - Professor
   - Other
6. PI Biosketch (Upload) – Please upload a biosketch for the Principal Investigator.

Project Information Section

1. Title of Proposed Project
2. Status of drug discovery program at the beginning of the program (Dropdown list using following categories)
   - Target ID and Validation
   - Screening, Hit ID, Validated Hit
   - Hit-to-lead
   - Lead optimization
   - In vivo proof-of-concept
   - Development candidate selection
   - IND-enabling studies
3. Therapeutic modality (Dropdown list using following categories)
   - Small molecule
   - Biologic
   - Gene therapy
   - Cell therapy
   - Nucleic acid
   - Targeted protein degraders
   - Peptide
   - Antibody-drug conjugate
   - Other (specify)
4. Do you anticipate outsourcing any work in your proposal to an external drug discovery institute, contract research organization, or other entity that will be subcontracted out from your primary institution?
   - Yes/No
   - If yes, please identify. We realize plans change but it will aid in reviewing the LOI.

5. Briefly summarize the current IP status of the project (e.g., filed provisional patents, issued patents, freedom to operate). Is the IP exclusively owned or available to the applicant institution/team for commercialization?

Research Plan

1. Specific Aims (Text Box) – Please remember that this is a one-year grant
2. Research Plan (Upload) – *Please provide a clear, concise, and comprehensive overview of the proposed project. This should include background information with sufficient preliminary data to support the proposed research. Please limit to 2 pages, 10 pt font, 0.5-inch margins.*

Project Budget

1. Total Project Funds Requested from Rainwater Charitable Foundation (USD) (Text Box) - *In US Dollars*
2. Detailed Project Budget – *Please upload a detailed project budget using the attached template*
   - *Please note:*
     - *Equipment purchases are only approved in rare circumstances and must not exceed 5% of the project budget.*
     - *Indirect costs are not allowed. This is non-negotiable.*