
2025 ICTR TEAM SCIENCE AWARD

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
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ICTR TEAM SCIENCE AWARD AT A GLANCE				
WHO	WHAT	HOW	WHERE	WHEN
Johns Hopkins interdisciplinary teams working toward a common scientific goal	An award to recognize success in creating a culture of teamwork that comes with: -\$2,000 to be used for team functions. -A Coffee break package for the team, & -Production of a promotional video highlighting your team	By submitting an application including the details outlined below	https://jhmi.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0oicSNNYFbDgfH0	Submit by 5:00 pm on Friday, Feb 21, 2025

WHAT IS IT?

The Institute for Clinical and Translational Research (ICTR) is requesting nominations for the third annual ICTR Team Science Award!

While many awards still go to individuals, advances in translational research are increasingly dependent on teams of individuals with different perspectives and skills working collaboratively towards a common goal. The concept of Team Science answers the question, “How do groups, particularly interdisciplinary groups, move through a process together?” Although seemingly simple, the field that studies the Science of Team Science has demonstrated that successfully conducting science in teams can be anything but. Thus, the goal of this award is to recognize the great work Johns Hopkins researchers have been doing as interdisciplinary teams and to highlight best practices and share lessons learned in Team Science.

To learn more about the award through previous winners, please check out the videos here:

- 2022: <https://ictr.johnshopkins.edu/funding/team-science-award/2022-team-science-awardees/>
- 2023: <https://ictr.johnshopkins.edu/funding/team-science-award/2023-team-science-awardees/>

WHO CAN ENTER?

Any person within Johns Hopkins who is part of a Team Science biomedical research project is eligible to submit an application on behalf of a team. A Team Science project is defined as any group of interdisciplinary researchers working collaboratively toward a specific scientific goal. (See the [National Cancer Institute’s Collaboration and Team Science Field Guide for more information on Team Science.](#))

Interdisciplinary research teams can look like many things. It might be cross-school collaborations (e.g., Medicine, Public Health, Nursing, Engineering, Arts & Sciences, Education, or Business), collaborations across different department or fields of study, or collaborations with different types of organizations and institutions (e.g., community-academic partnerships).

Entries may be submitted by the PI, a participating researcher, a community partner, a staff member, or any other team member. However, in the spirit of collaboration, we ask that you confer with your team members so that only one application is received from each team. We also encourage teams to incorporate the experience of more than one team member in the application. The research team must include at least three members, be led or co-led by a Johns Hopkins researcher, and have worked together on more than one research protocol.

Note, this award focuses specifically on interdisciplinary clinical and translational research teams. Clinical care teams should consider the annual Johns Hopkins Medicine Clinical Awards for Physicians and Care Teams (<https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/clinical-awards/index.html>).

So, if you are part of an interdisciplinary research team that has worked to accomplish challenging, high-impact science, we want to hear from you!

HOW DO WE WIN?

To win, you must enter. To enter, you must submit an application form at https://jhmi.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0oicSNNYFbDgfH0 by **Friday, February 21, 2025 at 5:00 pm EST**.

Here is what we want to know:

- 1) **Your Team.** What is your team's name? Who is on your team, what are their roles, and what is their position at Johns Hopkins or another institution? (See Appendix 1.)
- 2) **Your team's back story.** How did the team first come together? How has your team grown and/or evolved? What are the accomplishments to date for the team (e.g., what are the publications you're most proud of)? Be sure to highlight: a *brief* description of the scientific goal for your multidisciplinary team the importance of the team's work, your innovation, and the impact on the lives of the patients and communities we serve. (500 words max!)
- 3) **Lessons learned.** A description of what the team has learned about how to support each other effectively, including how you may have responded to setbacks or barriers that any team will face. (500 words max!)

A copy of the application form is provided in Appendix 2 below. **The deadline to submit is February 21, 2025 at 5:00 PM EST.**

We will be picking one winner. Entries will be judged based on:

- 1) Interdisciplinary composition of your team;

- 2) Success of collaboration across disciplines (e.g., ability to overcome challenges of working in a team¹);
- 3) Advancement in the practice of team science (e.g., novel methods of collaboration);
- 4) Originality/Creativity/Innovation of your project; and
- 5) Impact of the team's work.

Chosen winners will be notified via email by April 11, 2025.

WHAT DO WE WIN?

One team within the Johns Hopkins system will be selected to receive the ICTR Team Science Award. In addition to self-satisfaction and external validation, the team will:

- 1) Celebrate with a “coffee break” package from a locally owned bakery;
- 2) Receive a prize of either \$2,000 to be used for team functions or a gift in-kind of ICTR services (CCDA, CRU, REDCap, or OpenSpecimen, Research Studio);
- 3) Be featured at a promotional video in which they will share their success and describe how they overcame challenges; and
- 4) Bragging rights for a year.

Teams will be provided with a project-specific consultation by the ICTR Navigators to help identify how the ICTR can best support their research.

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

If, after thoroughly reading this document and discussing it among your team members, you still have questions, please email them to Sarah Stevens at ssteve45@jhmi.edu by COB Friday, February 14, 2025. (Technical questions regarding application submission are welcome through the application deadline.)

¹ The [National Cancer Institute's Collaboration and Team Science Field Guide](#) has many examples of cross-disciplinary collaboration challenges, such as creating a shared vision, differences in terminology, authorship, and building trust. Look for sections labeled “it's not working” for some examples of challenges your team might have overcome.

APPENDIX 1: TEAM MEMBER TEMPLATE

To share a list and description of your team members, please use the following headers in a spreadsheet to upload with your application:

First Name	Last Name	Degree(s)	Primary Affiliation: University/Institution/Organization	Primary Affiliation: College/ School (if applicable)	Primary Affiliation: Department (if applicable)	Position at Primary Affiliation	Role on the Project
			E.g., Johns Hopkins, Kaiser Permanente, University of Maryland, Morgan State University, Other (Please List)	E.g., School of Medicine, School of Nursing, School of Public Health, College of Engineering, Kennedy Krieger Institute, etc.	E.g., Behavioral Health, Biomedical Engineering, Cardiology, Cell Biology, ICTR, Nanomedicine, etc.	E.g., Associate Professor, Clinical Supervisor, Medical Student, Research Program Manager, Nurse, etc.	E.g., Principal Investigator, Co-investigator, Research Coordinator, Biostatistician, Community Outreach, etc.

APPENDIX 2: APPLICATION FORM

Below is a list of the questions on the Qualtrics application form. To apply, go to https://jhmi.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0oicSNNYFbDgfH0

1. Submitter First Name *[text entry]*
2. Submitter Last Name *[text entry]*
3. Submitter Email *[text entry]*
4. What is the name of your team? *[text entry]*
5. Who is your team lead (First & Last Name)? *[text entry]*
6. What is your team lead's email address? *[text entry]*
7. How many team members do you have? *[text entry]*
8. Please upload a spreadsheet that lists the following information for all team members (See the template provided with the call for nominations): *[file upload .xls, .csv, or .ods only]*
 - a. First & Last Name, Degree(s)
 - b. Primary Affiliation
 - c. School/Department at Primary Affiliation
 - d. Position at Primary Affiliation
 - e. Role on the team
9. What is your team's back story? Please include: *[text entry, 500-word limit]*
 - a. How your team came together
 - b. Scientific goal for your multidisciplinary team
 - c. The importance of your team's work
 - d. The significant Innovations created by your team
 - e. The positive impact you have had on the lives of patients and communities we serve
 - f. Any other accomplishments you would like to share

10. Please provide the citations or information for your TOP THREE favorite posters, publications, presentations or abstracts here. *[text entry]*
11. What important lessons have your team learned along the way that others might learn from?
Please include: *[text entry, 500-word limit]*
 - a. What has the team learned about supporting each other?
 - b. How has the team responded to any setbacks or barriers?

If you're ready to submit, click the "next" arrow now. Your response will be recorded, and you will not be able to edit it.

If you would like to review or change any of your responses, please click the "back" arrow.