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**SUBJECT:** 2012 Searle Scholars Program

The University of Pittsburgh is invited to participate in the **2012 Searle Scholars Program**. Program details are at <http://www.searlescholars.net/go.php?id=1>. Please distribute, as appropriate, to department chairs to identify eligible nominees for the internal University of Pittsburgh selection process. The Searle Scholars Program makes grants to selected universities and research centers to support the independent research of exceptional young faculty in the biomedical sciences and chemistry

Nominees should be pursuing independent research careers in **biochemistry, cell biology, genetics, immunology, neuroscience, pharmacology and related areas in chemistry, medicine and the biological sciences**. The Searle Scholars Program does not ordinarily support purely clinical research but has supported research programs that include both clinical and basic components. Please be sure to review the eligibility requirements and contact Searle with any questions.

Candidates should have begun their first appointment as an independent investigator at the assistant professor level on or after July 1, 2010. The appointment must be a tenure-track position (or its nearest equivalent) at an invited institution. The award provides \$300,000 for a three-year period.

The University is invited to submit **ONE** nomination and an internal review and selection process may be necessary to select the best-qualified candidate to represent the University. Nominated faculty should submit the following materials to Elaine Riberich\*\* by **July 12, 2011**: **1)** brief abstract of the nominee's research **2)** nominee's recent curriculum vitae **3)** a letter of recommendation from the department chair/dean.

In case more than the allowed nominations are received, a University review committee will be convened to determine which name will be endorsed for the receipt deadline of **September 30, 2011**.

Preliminary nomination materials from the Schools of the Health Sciences should be sent directly to Dr. Michelle Broido. Dr. Arthur S. Levine will make the final decision as to whose name will be forwarded to me for consideration by the University review committee. For further details, please refer to OORHS's website <http://www.oorhs.pitt.edu/searchFunding/Search.aspx?FundingType=Nom>

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