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SUBJECT: 2012 *Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences*

The University of Pittsburgh is invited to nominate **one candidate** for support under the *Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences* for grants awarded in April 2012. Additional program information can be found at Pew's web site http://www.pewtrusts.org/our_work_detail.aspx?id=194 and a list of the 2011 Pew Scholars is available at <http://directory.pewscholars.org/>

Candidates should, on basis of performance during education and training, have outstanding promise as contributors in science relevant to human health. Strong proposals will demonstrate particularly creative and innovative approaches. Risk-taking is encouraged. Individuals with a doctorate in medicine or biomedical sciences are eligible. As of November 1, 2011, candidates must hold full time appointments at the rank of assistant professor or equivalent at the University of Pittsburgh. On July 1, 2012, they must not have been in such an appointment for more than three years, whether or not such appointments were on a tenure track. This time may have been spent at more than one institution. Time spent in clinical internships, residencies, or in work towards board certification does not count as part of this three-year limit.

In evaluating the candidates, the National Advisory Committee gives considerable weight to evidence that the candidate is an independent investigator and to significant published work. The award provides \$60,000 per year over a four-year period. Scholars may not simultaneously be supported by similar private foundation awards in excess of \$50,000 a year for the first two years of their Pew Scholarship. Funding from NIH, government sources, and grants from nonprofit associations such as American Cancer Society do no pose a conflict with the Pew award.

If you have questions concerning eligibility, please contact Ann Million, Director, Pew Biomedical Programs 215-531-8134 (amillion@pewtrusts.org) in advance of applying.

Because of the limit placed on the number of submissions and to also allow enough time for review of the internal nominees and preparation of a full application by the selected candidate, please submit to Elaine Riberich* by **August 16, 2011** the following materials: 1) nominee's curriculum vitae 2) one-page description of the nominee's research plan 3) letter of recommendation from the department chair.

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 further details, please refer to the Office of Health Science Research's website <http://www.oorhs.pitt.edu/searchFunding/Search.aspx?FundingType=Nom>

In case more than one nomination is received, a committee will be convened to determine which name will be endorsed for the **November 1, 2011 electronic submission deadline**. For a list of additional *Programs Limiting the Number of Allowed Institutional Submissions* connect to the Office of Research home page <http://www.pitt.edu/~offres/> then select *Funding Resources*

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