TRxA BRIDGe Awards - co-funding journey with the Helmsley Charitable Trust

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TRxA BRIDGe Awards for Drug Discovery

TRxA is a global drug discovery and development program that supports academic scientists in advancing new, cutting-edge therapeutics from the lab to the clinic.

**BRIDGe Awards:**
- Stage 1: $250,000
- Stage 2: $500,000
- Stage 3: $1,000,000

Therapeutic area agnostic
Timeline of Events

Introduction TRxA and Helmsley

Hemsley shared TRxA program with PIs

Open call for applications

Pre-Proposals Due

TRxA Review of Pre-Proposals

Hemsley provided one of the scientific reviews

Invitations to Submit Full Proposal

Full Proposals Due

PRB Review and Invitation to Initiate CDA

SAC Review and Scoring of Proposals

PRB Decision on Award Recipients

Award Notifications

Initiate Award Agreements

Helmsley invited TRxA to apply for matching funds

PRB: Programmatic Review Board
SAC: Scientific Advisory Committee

TRxA – Helmsley Partnership

Goal:
- Shepherd a new drug for Type 1 Diabetes to the clinic ASAP

Logistics:
- Funds flow through TRxA, so only a single contract with the institution
- The Helmsley scientist provided feedback on the project plan and milestones
- TRxA requires monthly meetings with the PI; the Helmsley scientist is part of the team

Keys for partnership:
- Trust between partners – helped by regular communication
- Common goal
- Complementary strengths (TRxA: drug discovery; Helmsley: T1D)
Current Request for Proposals is open (deadline pre-proposals March 31st)

Full proposals invitations by July 1st
- interested in scientific reviewers for certain therapeutic areas
- interested in co-funding – either matching, or splitting costs

Want to have the TRxA model applied to your drug discovery grants?

Let’s talk: meverts@c-path.org

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