



Pilot & Collaborative Translational & Clinical Studies (PiCo-TraCS)

The **Pilot & Collaborative Translational & Clinical Studies (PiCo-TraCS)** program promotes new networks of multidisciplinary research teams that help re-engineer the health sciences enterprise in Atlanta. PiCo-TraCS seeks to enhance currently available resources, to invest in new clinical and translational research models, to encourage junior faculty to collaborate and bring cutting edge science to patients. PiCo-TraCS distributes funds annually through one to two year pilot grants of at least \$30,000, to support novel biomedical methods development by Emory University, Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM), and Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech) clinical and translational investigators.

PiCo-TraCS has established a committee of experienced clinical and translational research referees to identify and advocate for proposals specifically responsive to the integrative translational research goals of the ACTSI, and distribute funds for applications from scholars. Review criteria include:

- Innovation
- Significance



- Translational potential
- Alignment with ACTSI strategic themes
 - › Predictive health/systems biology
 - › Computational and life sciences
 - › Regenerative medicine
 - › Immunology and vaccines
 - › Neurosciences
 - › Health disparities
- Alignment with the Translational Technologies & Resources (TTR) program
 - › Genomics
 - › Imaging
 - › Immunology
 - › Molecular screening technology
 - › Animal models

Proposals from collaborative investigative teams that include both basic scientists and clinician-investigators and faculty at more than one ACTSI institution are particularly encouraged.

Available PiCo-TraCS Funding

PiCo-TraCS provides competitive funding for clinical and translational investigators. Funding is used to support **pilot projects** that build collaborative study and further clinical and translational research.

Requests for Applications include:

- ACTSI/MSM Pilot Project
- National Center for Minority Health Disparities and the National Cancer Institute
- Quantum Grant Program
- ACTSI/University Research Council (URC) Awards
- Georgia Tech/Emory Center for the Engineering of Living Tissues
- Regenerative Medicine Planning Grants

Funding partners include:

- Woodruff Fund
- Georgia Research Alliance
- Center for AIDS Research Small Grants Program
- Emory Alzheimer's Disease Research Center
- Emory Medical Care Foundation
- Emory Center for Clinical and Molecular Nutrition
- Emory-Egleston Children's Research Center
- Center for Behavioral Neuroscience
- Emory Epithelial Pathobiology Research Development Center
- Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD) Clinical Trials Network
- Chemical Biology Seed Grant Program
- Center for Study of Symptoms, Symptom Interactions, and Health outcomes (Nursing P20)

To learn more about the Pilot & Collaborative Translational & Clinical Studies (PiCo-TraCS) program visit www.actsi.org/picotracs.