

**THE LUSTGARTEN FOUNDATION
DIRECTOR OF SCIENTIFIC AND MEDICAL PROGRAMS**

BACKGROUND

The Lustgarten Foundation, based in Long Island, New York, is America's largest private funder of pancreatic cancer research.

POSITION GOAL

To further develop and implement the Research and Scientific Programs of the Foundation in order to accomplish the Mission of the Foundation "to advance the scientific and medical research related to the diagnosis, treatment, and cure of pancreatic cancer".

OBJECTIVES

Working with the Vice-Chairman, Research, President & CEO, and Director of Research:

1. Develop a Strategic Plan that will double the investment in Research over the next five years in order to achieve the Goal.
2. Review, revise and strengthen the research operations of the Foundation to support the Strategic Plan:
 - a) expand the present structure of our grants program: Distinguished Scholars, Research Investigators, Dedicated Lab, Collaboration with Stand Up To Cancer (SU2C)
 - b) foster collaboration among sponsored researchers
 - c) further develop a formal progress review system for sponsored researchers
 - d) revise and strengthen the grants review process.
3. Identify and implement additional areas for further research.
4. Develop an efficient and effective program for commercializing the results of funded research, including the precision medicine Organoid program and the Earlier Detection Program.
5. Facilitate clinical research efforts and clinical trials by developing a relationship with pharma that will facilitate advancements in drug development and delivery.
6. Work closely with SU2C to maximize the effectiveness of joint research efforts.
7. Oversee the effectiveness of the Distinguished Scholars and Research Investigators programs and develop new and innovative programs for improving the effectiveness of sponsored research.
8. Develop collaborative research efforts with professional Associations and others dedicated to fostering pancreatic cancer research: SU2C, NCI, AACR, ASCO, CRUK and others.
9. Develop portals of data based on funded research to encourage and support further research by the scientific communities.
10. Explore the role of venture philanthropy with the results of funded research.
11. Communicate research progress to assist with development and fundraising.

BACKGROUND REQUIREMENTS

1. Ph.D. and/or M.D. preferred, in a relevant field of science.
2. Strong background in cancer research, preferably pancreatic/GI, with strong record of publications and presentations.
3. Demonstrated success in executive leadership roles of scientific/research programs. Experience should include one or more roles in: academic medical center; major research center; pharma, biotech or related organizations; government agency.
4. Foundation experience in directing scientific research programs preferred.
5. Demonstrated ability to develop and manage research budgets.
6. Strong communications skills to interact effectively with peers and scientific community.
7. Ability to convey technical information to lay constituency.

If you are interested in applying, please send your resume to Kerri Kaplan, President & Chief Operating Officer at kkaplan@lustgarten.org.