

CENTER OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

*A pioneering, multi-institutional approach to
eradicating breast cancer*

The Breast Cancer Center of Excellence Award mechanism supports multidisciplinary, multi-institutional teams of gifted scientists, clinicians, and consumer advocates in making groundbreaking advances toward the eradication of breast cancer. The Breast Cancer Research Program (BCRP) encourages highly accomplished scientists renowned for their contributions to the proposed areas of research and promising young investigators who can provide fresh insight to work together to accelerate the solution of a central, overarching research problem in a way that could not be accomplished by a single investigator or group. In addition, the BCRP strongly endorses the integration of scientists from nontraditional disciplines such as computer science, mathematics, economics, physics, and other quantitative disciplines. The BCRP also encourages Centers of Excellence to incorporate study components addressing ethical issues in breast cancer research. Breast cancer consumer/survivor groups must be active participants in all aspects of these awards. Centers may receive up to \$20 million, including direct and indirect costs.

PRE-PROPOSALS ARE DUE BY APRIL 5, 2005

All investigators interested in applying for a Center of Excellence Award **must** submit a pre-proposal.

This document is a synopsis of details specific to the fiscal year 2005 (FY05) BCRP Center of Excellence Award. A detailed description of each FY05 BCRP mechanism with specific evaluation criteria, submission requirements, and deadlines is available in the FY05 BCRP Program Announcements.

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