Faculty Advancement and Research Mentorship
FARM

The Cornell FARM program, modeled after Harvard’s Catalyst Grant Review and Support Program, is designed to help junior faculty members understand the key elements of a successful R01 application. The Cornell FARM Workshop is offered annually in November.

The Program starts with a two-day workshop which covers topics that include elements of grantsmanship specifically related to the R01 mechanisms. In November, the directors of the Harvard program discuss how to determine “readiness” to apply for R01 grants, outline the NIH review process and scoring parameters, and help participants craft their own 60-second elevator pitches. On the second day, a national grant writing expert will dissect the various R01 grant components and offer tips and writing tools to draft a competitive R01 grant application.

The Cornell FARM Program continues with longitudinal support by faculty mentors, led by Drs. Giannakakou and Scandura, who work closely with the participants to review and provide feedback on their individual grant proposals in bimonthly meetings. FARM represents a successful paradigm shift in junior faculty support and development as it is targeted, personalized and longitudinal. To date, participants in the program have a **75% NIH funding success rate**, compared to the national average of 18% (2016).

The program is limited to only 20 faculty members each year, on a first come first serve basis. If you are interested in participating, please send an email to spm2003@med.cornell.edu.