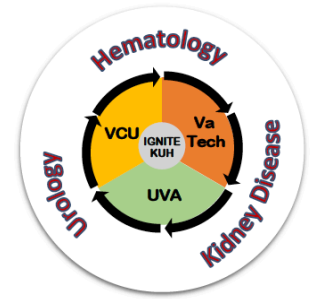


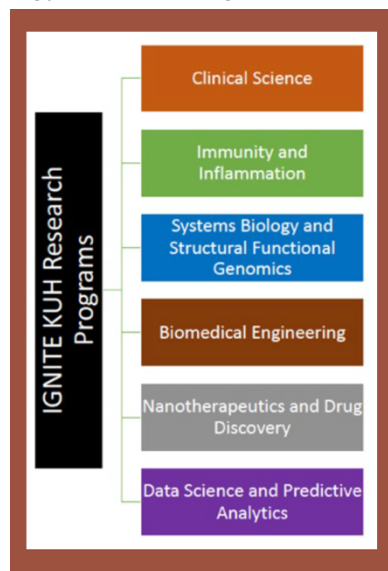
Integrated Virginia Research Training Centers in Kidney, Urology and Hematology - *IGNITE KUH*

A Pre- and Postdoctoral Training Program



NIH/NIDDK intends to fund our Institutional Network Award (U2C/TL1) application to support **pre- and postdoctoral** trainees in three key focus areas including **kidney, urology, and hematology** (KUH) research beginning July 1, 2021. IGNITE KUH is based on a collaborative partnership involving three main research training centers in the Commonwealth of Virginia and is committed to developing the next generation of KUH researchers. The three IGNITE KUH institutions include **University of Virginia (UVA)**, **Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU)** and **Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Va Tech)**. Unique IGNITE KUH Programs will foster a growing community of trainees with extensive networking opportunities across the Commonwealth while also providing professional development resources to ensure our trainees acquire the skills needed to pursue research as a career. The program promotes interdisciplinary research that includes **fundamental and translational research**, as well as patient-oriented clinical research and is targeted to highly-motivated predoctoral students and postdoctoral fellows (MD, DO, PhD or their equivalent). The IGNITE mentoring team includes outstanding physician scientists and basic science investigators from the Departments and Centers of the three institutions. The program provides basic/fundamental training and didactic instruction in multiple disciplines, including molecular, cellular, transgenic technologies, immunology, functional genomics and novel imaging technologies, with a focus in

Kidney, Urology and Hematology. The patient-oriented clinical research program provides training in clinical investigation, epidemiology, biostatistics and data sciences. We intend to recruit candidates from diverse backgrounds to facilitate interdisciplinary, multi-institutional collaboration and innovation. A major component of the program is to foster collaboration, networking and mentoring skills for the trainees for their career advancement with an additional goal to promote under-represented populations in biomedical research.



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- Pre-/postdoctoral research training program - a statewide research program in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- Multi-institutional, multi-departmental program from UVA, VCU, VT comprising
 - 65 outstanding faculty
- Basic research and clinical science in the thematic broad areas of kidney, urology and hematology
- 6 thematic areas

If you are a trainee and interested in a predoctoral or postdoctoral training program or if you are a mentor who has a trainee that might be interested please contact:

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