McKnight Brain Research Foundation (MBRF) Grant Award Notice

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Subject: Evelyn F. McKnight Neurocognitive Post-Doctoral Fellowship

The Trustees of the McKnight Brain Research Foundation (MBRF) discussed the proposal to fund the pilot of the *Evelyn F. McKnight Neurocognitive Post-Doctoral Fellowship* at their meeting on October 23, 2019.

In recognition of your vision and in appreciation of your enduring commitment to training physician scientists to become leaders in the field of neurocognitive disorders and brain health, the Trustees are pleased to provide one-time funding in the amount of \$200,000 to launch this fellowship.

The grant is for \$100,000 annually for a period of two years for a total not to exceed \$200,000. The Trustees are enthusiastic about supporting the fellowship and wish to support your efforts to recruit a young, post-doctoral trainee in 2020. We encourage you to seek other funding sources to provide for the fellowship at the conclusion of this two-year grant period. As additional support for your program, we hope you will continue to encourage young investigators to apply for the McKnight Clinical Translational Research Scholarship recently awarded to Dr. Christian Camargo.

Once you have successfully recruited the post-doctoral trainee, please notify the corporate trustee of the MBRF so the first payment of \$100,000 may be processed.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I extend their admiration and appreciation to you for your focus on clinical research and for your wise and generous mentoring of many individuals, including the future recipient of the *Evelyn F. McKnight Neurocognitive Post-Doctoral Fellowship*.

Your advocacy of age-related cognitive decline and memory loss research, and its researchers, is a driving force that will inevitably expand and enhance the field. Thank you both for your exceptional leadership.

Michael L. Dockery, MD Chair, McKnight Brain Research Foundation