

NIDDK Medical Student  
Research Training Program  
(MSRT)

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# National Institutes of Health

- Nearly 30 Institutes and Centers ([www.nih.gov](http://www.nih.gov))
- One of these is the National Institutes of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)

# Penn Research is within NIDDK

## Missions

- Basic sciences
  - Gastroenterology/Hepatology (Rustgi)
  - Diabetes, Endocrine and Metabolic Diseases (Birnbaum)
  - Hematology (Gewirtz)
  - Gene Therapy Training: Cystic Fibrosis and Genetic Diseases (J. Wolfe)
  - Renal (McMahon)
  - Urology (Wein)
- Epidemiology
  - Gastroenterology (Lewis/Rustgi)
  - Nephrology (H. Feldman)

# Overview of NIDDK MSRT

- Basic science/translational research is conducted at Penn by Penn Med students; can be available to non-Penn students
- 3 fellowship spots available
- Program is 9 – 12 months long
- Stipend is approx. \$22,000/full year + funds for travel to scientific meeting, research support, and health insurance

# Application Process

- Discuss with Anil Rustgi
- Pre-application (proposal, mentor's letter, MSRT letter) due **March 15, 2012** to Combined Degree Office
- Pre-application reviewed by Advisory Committee
- 3 applicants selected and proposals/support letters submitted to NIDDK
- Notification of funding from NIDDK in May 2012 to start July 2012

# For More Information

- Visit “Year Out Research Opps” webpage:  
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