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FORMAT FOR PRE-PROPOSALS

The pre-proposal may not exceed 6 pages and should follow the format outlined in this document with the project outline being a maximum 2 pages long. The submission should include a copy of your NIH Biosketch however, this does not count towards the 6 pages. Pre-proposals exceeding 6 pages will not be accepted.

Emphasis should be on defining what the next value-creation inflection point is, and articulating how this will be achieved via the research plan with at least one well-defined technical milestone.

PAGE 1: COVER PAGE

Complete the template provided on the final page of this document.

PAGES 2–3: PROJECT OUTLINE (MAX 2 PAGES)

The pre-proposal should address and contain the following:

Abstract or Project Synopsis

Background and Significance

➢  Background and problem statement: What is the problem that you are addressing and why?
➢  Briefly describe recent research directly relevant to the problem, including others in the field, and in particular, your own prior work, if any.
➢  What is known and what is novel in the approach?
➢  Highlight the risks and potential benefits of the project.

Research Plan

➢  Summarize the experiments you will perform to solve the problem (i.e., to advance the technology to the next value-creation inflection point)
    i)  What are the short- and longer-term goals of the research?
    ii)  What can be accomplished during the funding period requested?
    iii)  What are the anticipated challenges?
    iv)  What is/are the proposed technical milestone(s) to be achieved during the proposed funding period?

Key Personnel and Collaborators

➢  List of individuals/collaborators/organizations required to complete the project.

Funding

➢  Total amount requested.
➢  Other Sources of Support (identify all prior, current and/or pending sources of support to your lab related to the proposed research project).

Intellectual Property

➢  Provide a brief description of any inventions you have already made related to the proposed research.
➢  Provide a brief statement about the current IP status of the invention.
➢  Describe how the proposed research will add value to and enhance the invention’s patentability and/or commercial potential and/or importance.

PAGES 4-6 (MAX) APPENDIX

Relevant publications/manuscripts (please limit to excerpts and/or URLs from 5 most recent and salient)

NIH Biosketch

A copy of your NIH Biosketch (reminder: this does not count towards the max. 6-page count for the pre-proposal)
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Pre-Proposal Application Cover Page

PLEASE SUBMIT THE COMPLETED FULL PRE-PROPOSAL BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, TO:

DaedalusFund@med.cornell.edu

Name: _______________________________________________________________

Title: _______________________________________________________________

Department: ___________________________ Room #: ______________________

Phone: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

Project Title: _________________________________________________________

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Please indicate funding level for your proposal (check one)

___ Level I (up to $200,000; 1 year)

___ Level II (up to $200,000 per year; maximum of 2 years (year 2 funding subject to approval at end of year 1)

Has this project been submitted for Daedalus Fund consideration previously?

___ Yes   ___ No. If yes, when? ___________________________

Total Funding Requested: _____________

Abstract

Briefly describe the proposed project's goals, methodology, potential for success, and potential for commercial development.

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Signature of Investigator ___________________________ Signature of Departmental Chairman ____________________