The Art of Obtaining NIH Funding

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To obtain NIH is not so difficult; however it is critical to know the NIH policy and the missions. In this talk, the NIH funding mechanisms, funding to New Investigators and NIAMS mission area will be discussed. After my talk, I would like to use the remaining time to answer questions related to NIH funding.

Dr. Tseng received his PhD from John Hopkins University under the supervision of Nobel Prize Laureate Daniel Nathans in 1986. After the postdoctoral training with Prof. Howard Green in the Department of Cell Biology at Harvard Medical School, he joined the faculty of Department of Dermatology at University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine in 1994 and became Associate Professor in 2001. Meanwhile, he had a joint appointment in the Department of Cell and Developmental Biology and was a member of the Cancer Center and the Center for Research on Reproduction and Women’s Health, University of Pennsylvania until he became the Director for Extracellular Matrix Biology and Disease Program at National Institute of Arthritis, Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases in 2008. Meanwhile, he has several other honorary appointments such as Visiting Professor from Institute of Basic Medical Sciences, Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences, and Adjunct Professor from Shanghai Institute of Medical Genetics, JiaoTong University, China. Dr. Tseng has received many honors and awards, including Dermatology Foundation Career Development Award, Scholar and Adviser in United Nations Development Program: Transfer of Knowledge Through Expatriates and Nationals (TOKTEN) and Senior Technical Advisers Recruitment (STAR), Visit Scholarship from Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD) and Visiting Professorship from Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (C.N.R.S). His research is well funded from NIH (R01, R21, and R03), NSF, and from various private foundations. He has published numerous peer-reviewed scientific papers in highly circulated journals such as Cell, Gene, Development, and PNAS, Cancer Research, BioTechniques, and PLoS ONE.