 K99/R00 Eligibility Inquiry

The Pathway to Independence (K99/R00) program targets applicants in dependent positions (such as postdoc) who have no more than 4 years of postdoctoral research experience and who have made a commitment to an academic career. The mechanism provides 2 years of support at the postdoctoral level followed by 3 years of support for independent research contingent upon the acquisition of an independent faculty position. The appropriate candidate will still need a 1-2 year training period before starting a faculty position and establishing their independent research program. To be eligible for the K99/R00 through the NIBIB, the candidate should meet the above description and propose research and training in one or more of the [Scientific Program Areas](http://www.nibib.nih.gov/research-funding) supported by the institute.

Please fill in the information below and forward to Dr. Zeynep Erim ([Zeynep.Erim@nih.gov](mailto:Zeynep.Erim@nih.gov)), attaching your **CV** and a 1-page description of your **Specific Aims**, so that your eligibility can be determined.

**Name**: Click here to enter text. **Date**: Select today’s date

**Institution**: Click here to enter text.

**Department**: Click here to enter text.

**Position**: Postdoc, Assistant Professor, Research Associate, etc.

**Brief description of background and skills of the candidate** (Please limit to 400 characters)**:**

**Brief description of the training sought in the K99 phase** (Please limit to 400 characters):

**Proposed mentor(s):**  [Please fill out a row in the table below for each proposed mentor.]

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| **Mentor** | **Institution** | **Expertise** |
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**If you are not a US citizen or permanent resident of the US, describe your visa status and indicate expiration date.** (Please limit to 400 characters)

**Answer the following questions only if your current position is not postdoc.**

**Check the appropriate column as it applies to your situation:**

**TRUE FALSE**

My research is entirely funded by another investigator’s grants.

My research is conducted entirely in another investigator’s assigned space.

According to institutional policy, I cannot hire postdoctoral fellows or technical staff or be the responsible supervisor of graduate students.

According to institutional policy, I am not allowed to submit an application as the PD/PI of an NIH research grant application (e.g., R01).

I lack other rights and privileges of faculty, such as attendance at faculty meetings.

I have a full-time faculty position.

I received a start-up package for support of my independent research.

I have research space dedicated to my own research.

I may attend faculty meetings, be the responsible supervisor for graduate students, and/or hire technical support or postdoctoral fellows.

I am eligible to apply for independent research funding as the PD/PI of an NIH research grant.

Please remember to attach an up-to-date **CV** and a 1-page description of your **Specific Aims** when forwarding this form to Dr. Zeynep Erim ([Zeynep.Erim@nih.gov](mailto:Zeynep.Erim@nih.gov)).