

Descriptor	Emerging Scholar Award Patient/Survivor/Caregiver Merit Rating Scale	Priority for funding
Exceptional	<p>The proposed research is <u>very relevant</u> to cancer. The impact of the Emerging Scholar Award on the applicant's career development is <u>clearly evident and transformational</u>. The applicant's commitment to mentorship is <u>exceptional</u>. AND Project exhibits at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed work will make an <u>exceptional</u> scientific contribution to our understanding of cancer. • The proposed work will <u>impact</u> cancer prevention, detection, diagnosis and/or treatment approaches. • The proposed work will <u>impact</u> the quality of life for people living with and beyond cancer. • The proposed work will <u>significantly</u> address the needs of cancer patients, survivors and/or their caregivers. 	High
Strong	<p>The proposed research is <u>relevant</u> to cancer. The impact of the Emerging Scholar Award on the applicant's career development is <u>evident and significant</u>. The applicant's commitment to mentorship is <u>strong</u>. AND Project exhibits at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed work will make a <u>substantial</u> scientific contribution to our understanding of cancer. • The proposed work will <u>improve</u> cancer prevention, detection, diagnosis and/or treatment approaches. • The proposed work will <u>improve</u> the quality of life for people living with and beyond cancer. • The proposed work will <u>substantially</u> address the needs of cancer patients, survivors and/or their caregivers. 	Medium
Moderate	<p>The proposed research is <u>somewhat relevant</u> to cancer. The impact of the Emerging Scholar Award on the applicant's career development is <u>modest</u>. The applicant's commitment to mentorship is <u>acceptable</u>. AND Project exhibits at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed work will make a scientific <u>contribution</u> to our understanding of cancer. • The proposed work will have <u>contribution</u> to cancer prevention, detection, diagnosis and/or treatment approaches. 	Low

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The proposed work will have <u>contribution</u> to the quality of life for people living with and beyond cancer.• The proposed work will <u>address</u> the needs of cancer patients, survivors and/or their caregivers.	
Insufficient	The proposed work is <u>not considered relevant</u> to cancer. Impact and importance of the Emerging Scholar Award on the applicant's career development and their commitment to mentorship is <u>not evident</u> .	None