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To apply for the NCI Early Investigator Advancement Program (EIAP), the following documents should be combined into a single PDF file and emailed to [EIAP@nih.gov](mailto:EIAP@nih.gov). Please save the file as *EIAP\_Lastname\_Firstname*.

- **Cover Letter:** Submit a signed cover letter (no longer than 2 pages, single spaced) that includes:
  - Name
  - Email Address
  - Current institution
  - Statement that you are a citizen, non-citizen national, or legal permanent resident of the United States. Do **not** send documentation with your application.
  - Statement indicating you have not previously received NIH R01 or equivalent funding as a Principal Investigator.
  - Statement indicating preparedness to submit an R01 by October/November, 2022.
- Statement indicating whether you are an Early Stage Investigator or New Investigator.
- Your immediate and long-term career goals.
- Indication if you belong to one or more of the groups that are underrepresented in the biomedical, clinical, behavioral and social sciences, such as: individuals from racial and ethnic groups including Blacks or African Americans, Hispanics or Latinos, American Indians or Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders; individuals with disabilities; and individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. Note: EIAP strongly encourages applications from underrepresented scientists in alignment with [Notice of NIH's Interest in Diversity](#). This information will not be used to determine your eligibility for an EIAP award.
- Statement of contributions to enhancing diversity in the biomedical research workforce.
- Cancer research type (i.e., basic, translational, behavioral/population, or clinical) and site (e.g., lung, brain, skin) if appropriate.
- Please let us know how you heard about EIAP.
- Please let us know what you are looking for in a mentor (e.g., qualities, areas of research, etc.)
- Additional information you feel is relevant.

- **Institution Letter:** Provide a letter from appropriate institution leadership in support of you to submit an R01 application by October/November, 2022, including indications that there will be institutional support, equipment and other physical resources available that
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will be adequate to support an R01 application. Describe any available current mentoring support for the candidate.

- **Curriculum Vitae (CV) (up to 10 pages):** Include your academic history and research experience as well as any publications, grant applications/awards, honors, professional experience, including any service on scientific and/or peer review boards or sessions.
- **References:** Provide information for two references who can comment on your potential as an R01 investigator. For each, include reference name, title(s), institution(s), address, email, and phone contact information. EIAP will request the letters directly from your references.