Researchers must follow their unit’s new electronic grant submission process.

All proposals applied for must be accompanied by a Funding Application Approval Form (FAAF) and must follow the deadlines (unless otherwise posted):

As a reminder, below are the ORS deadlines for submitting research proposals and FAAFs.

For large, complex grant applications (e.g., tri-agency major programs, those that require matching funds and/or additional institutional support, etc.)

- 10 working days in advance of agency deadline

For other regular and/or ‘rolling’ and one-time grants:

- 5 working days in advance of agency deadline

- If the funding opportunity is not posted in our ORS Funding Opportunities Database the default requirement is 3 working days in advance of the agency deadline.

Also as a reminder, researchers should work with the University’s Research Facilitators early in the proposal development stage.

TRI- AGENCIES:

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH (CIHR):

To get more CIHR news, please follow our CIHR University Delegate, Dr. Yvonne Myal. To subscribe to her CIHR University Delegate email list-serve, please send an email to Yvonne.Myal@umanitoba.ca.

CANADIAN FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Innovation for Defence Excellence and Security (IDEaS) Program – Call for Proposals**
  Providing up to $200,000 (later stage projects can be worth up to $5 million) for projects looking for solutions to help resolve defence and security challenges. The areas of focus are 1) **People** – Understanding and addressing PTSD; Recruit, retain, and reach 25% female representation by 2026; Cognitive performance enhancement; Predicting and optimizing personnel performance; Human performance in extreme climatic environments;
Lightweight ballistic protection; Collaboration of robotic systems; 2) **Anticipate threat** – Detection and classification of objects of interest; Persistent maritime surveillance; Identification and characterization of space objects; What is in full motion video?; Making sense of the chatter; Cyber attribution for the defence of Canada; and 3) **Adapt to a Changing Environment** – Chemical, biological and radiological hazard detection and planning; Resilient non-global positioning system based positioning, navigation and timing; Proactive deterrence.

Please refer to [IDEaS website](http://www.idea.gov.ca) for details.

**Application Deadline:** May 24, 2018  
**ORS Application Deadline:** May 10, 2018  
**ORS Contact:** Holly Musto, Research Contracts Coordinator, holly.musto@umanitoba.ca

- **Canada-Israel Industrial R&D Foundation (CIIRDF) – Call for Proposals**  
  Providing up to $800,000 for maximum project length of 24 months. Aim to stimulate R&D collaboration between firms in Canada and Israel with focus on commercialization of new technologies. Areas of Special Consideration: Information and Communication Technologies (including cyber, fintech); Life Sciences: Aerospace; Clean tech and sustainable tech (including water, renewables), plus limited energy (oil and gas); Agriculture and agrifood (including agri-tech). Also refer to [CIIRDF Call for Proposals](http://www.ciirdf.org)

  **Summary Proposal Submission Deadline:** May 31, 2018  
  **Full Proposal Submission Deadline:** June 29, 2018  
  **ORS Full Proposal Submission Deadline:** June 18, 2018  
  **ORS Contact:** Michelle Olivson, Contracts Coordinator, michelle.olivson@umanitoba.ca

**INTERNATIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **National Multiple Sclerosis Society** - Pilot Research Grants

  The Society funds high-risk pilot grants to quickly test novel ideas. Funding is provided for one year to test innovative, cutting-edge ideas or untested methods, and to gather sufficient preliminary data to apply for longer-term funding. The Society welcome applications for studies related to multiple sclerosis that may serve to advance our mission of stopping MS progression, restoring function and improving quality of life, and preventing MS. The Society supports fundamental as well as applied studies, non-clinical or clinical in nature, including projects in patient management, care and rehabilitation. Support for Pilot Research Projects is limited to a maximum of $50,000 US for one year. Pilot Awards cannot be used for stipends for postdoctoral fellows or for graduate students.

  In order to submit a proposal for research support, investigators must first register with the Apply Online site ([https://nmss.fluxx.io/](https://nmss.fluxx.io/)) and complete a pre-application. Staff will review the pre-application to determine whether the research plan is appropriate and relevant to their goals. All pilot applications must be submitted through the online application site ([https://nmss.fluxx.io/](https://nmss.fluxx.io/)).
The Society welcomes investigator-initiated applications for support of studies with high relevance to multiple sclerosis and supports fundamental as well as applied studies, non-clinical or clinical in nature, including projects in patient management, care and rehabilitation. To be considered for funding, all projects must show relevance to the Society’s research priorities.

More information including guidelines and eligibility requirements can be found here: https://www.nationalmssociety.org/NationalMSSociety/media/MSNationalFiles/Brochures/Policies_and_Procedures_Research_Funding_Programs_and_Awards.pdf

Pre-Application Deadline: May 7, 2018
Full Application Deadline: May 9, 2018, 5:00 pm EST
ORS Deadline: April 30, 2018
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

US Department of Defense (DoD) Breast Cancer Research Program

Note: Applicants must create a grants.gov account and submit applications through that account using Workspace.

➢ DoD Ovarian Cancer, Pilot Award

The OCRP Pilot Award supports the exploration of innovative concepts or theories in ovarian cancer that could ultimately lead to critical discoveries or major advancements that will drive the field forward. The proposed research must demonstrate a clear focus on ovarian cancer (e.g., using tissues, cell lines, datasets, or appropriate animal models). Clinical trials are not supported by this award. Projects must not exceed $250,000 US.

More information including guidelines and eligibility requirements, as well as applications packages, can be found by searching funding Opportunity Number W81XWH-18-OCRPA on Grants.gov.

Application Deadline: August 22, 2018
ORS Deadline: August 15, 2018
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

➢ DoD Ovarian Cancer, Investigator-Initiated Research

The OCRP Investigator-Initiated Research Award is intended to support high-impact research that has the potential to make an important contribution to ovarian cancer or patient/survivor care. Research projects may focus on any phase of research, from basic laboratory research through translational research, excluding clinical trials. The application must demonstrate logical reasoning and a sound scientific rationale established through a critical review and analysis of the literature for the application to be competitive. Applications must include preliminary data that are relevant to ovarian cancer and support the proposed research project. Projects must not exceed $450,000 US.
More information including guidelines and eligibility requirements, as well as applications packages, can be found by searching funding Opportunity Number W81XWH-18-OCRP-IIRA on Grants.gov.

**Application Deadline:** August 22, 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** August 15, 2018  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

- **DoD Ovarian Cancer, Investigator-Innovator Award**

  The Innovator Award supports visionary individuals who have demonstrated exceptional creativity, innovative work, and paradigm-shifting leadership in any field including, but not limited to, breast cancer. This Award provides individuals with the funding and freedom to pursue their most novel, visionary, high-risk ideas that could accelerate progress to ending breast cancer. Because the intent of the Innovator Award mechanism is to recognize these remarkably creative and innovative visionary individuals, rather than projects, the central feature of the award is the innovative contribution that the Principal Investigator (PI) can make toward ending breast cancer. The PI should have a record of challenging the status quo, shifting paradigms by changing a field of research or approach to patient care, exhibiting high levels of creativity, and demonstrating promise for continued innovation in future work. These rare individuals will be able to articulate a vision for ending breast cancer that challenges current dogma and demonstrates an ability to look beyond tradition and convention.

  More information including guidelines and eligibility requirements, as well as applications packages, can be found by searching funding Opportunity Number W81XWH-18-OCRP- INNOV on Grants.gov.

  **Application Deadline:** August 14, 2018  
  **ORS Deadline:** August 7, 2018  
  **ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

**NETWORKS OF CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE (NCE):**

- **ArcticNet: Cycle III (2019-2024)**

  As part of the opportunity to renew the ArcticNet Networks of Centres of Excellence through the 2018 NCE Competition, ArcticNet is pleased to announce a Call for Letters of Intent (LOI). This call is open to all eligible Canadian researchers whose expertise is applicable in the North, including renewing ArcticNet Network Investigators and new applicants. Priority will be given to multidisciplinary teams and appropriate partners. **Review the guidelines here.**

  **Funds Available**

  The total amount available for this funding opportunity is approximately $3.75 million per year (2019-2024). Funded projects of up to 3 years’ duration can expect to receive between $30,000 and $150,000 per year. It is anticipated there will be between 25 to 35 funded projects.
LOI Deadline: June 5, 2018
Full Application Submission Deadline: November 15, 2018

ORS LOI Deadline: May 29, 2018
ORS Application Deadline: November 1, 2018
ORS Contact: Jocelyne Gaudet, Projects Coordinator, Jocelyne.Gaudet@umanitoba.ca

For more information on ORS procedures and who to contact, please visit the ORS website at http://www.umanitoba.ca/research/ors