NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Canadian Funding Opportunities

**Brain Canada and Quantum Leap Pharma-led funding program for Canadian drug discovery research**

Brain Canada is partnering with the Quebec Consortium for Drug Discovery (CQDM), Quantum Leap pharma-led funding program for drug discovery research on eligible brain related projects. Funding available up to $1.2 million over three (3) years. For more information, click [here](https://research.ad.umanitoba.ca/mrt/pubapp/umfo.php). Budget structures can vary depending on each project, please email CQDM to confirm eligibility before applying: [appliquez-apply@cqdm.org](mailto:appliquez-apply@cqdm.org).

**Application Deadline (Upon confirmation of eligibility):** November 18, 2021

**ORS Deadline:** November 10, 2021, 4:30 p.m.

**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and international), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)

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**Brain Canada and Barbara Turnbull Foundation for Spinal Cord Research – Turnbull-Tator Award in Spinal Cord Injury and Concussion Research RFP**

Funding up to $50,000 available over two (2) years. More information, including guidelines and the application form, can be found [here](https://research.ad.umanitoba.ca/mrt/pubapp/umfo.php). Complete applications must be sent to [programs@braincanada.ca](mailto:programs@braincanada.ca)

**Application Deadline:** December 8, 2021, 4:00 p.m. EST

**ORS Deadline:** December 1, 2021, 4:30 p.m.

**Results Announced:** March 2022

**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and international), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)

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**The Banting Research Foundation – Discovery Award**

Funding available up to $25,000 for one (1) year for early-career investigators (3 years from first appointment). Application guidelines and application form can be found [here](https://research.ad.umanitoba.ca/mrt/pubapp/umfo.php). A Notice of Intent is required, click [here](https://research.ad.umanitoba.ca/mrt/pubapp/umfo.php) to register. Applications must be submitted through the [Discovery Award eportal](https://research.ad.umanitoba.ca/mrt/pubapp/umfo.php).

**Notice of Intent Deadline:** December 1, 2021

***New requirement***

**Application Deadline (upon invitation):** January 24, 2022

**ORS Deadline:** January 17, 2022, 4:30 pm

**Results Announced:** July 2022

**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)

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**Canadian Hemophilia Society (CHS) – Dream of a Cure Research Program**

Funding up to $75,000 per year available for up to three (3) years. Click [here](https://research.ad.umanitoba.ca/mrt/pubapp/umfo.php) for more information including application form and guidelines.

**Application Deadline:** December 10, 2021
ORS Deadline: December 3, 2021, 4:30 p.m.
Results Announced: March 2022
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.

CHS/Pfizer Care Until Cure Research Program
Funding up to $75,000 per year available for up to three (3) years. Click here for more information including application form and guidelines.
Application Deadline: December 10, 2021
ORS Deadline: December 3, 2021, 4:30 p.m.
Results Announced: March 2022
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.

CHS Novo Nordisk Psychosocial Research Program
Funding up to $40,000 available for one (1) year. Click here for more information including application form and guidelines.
Application Deadline: December 10, 2021
ORS Deadline: December 3, 2021, 4:30 p.m.
Results Announced: March 2022
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.

CHS-Bayer ADVANCE Canada Research Program
Funding up to $60,000 available for up to one (1) year. Click here for more information including application form and guidelines.
Application Deadline: December 10, 2021
ORS Deadline: December 3, 2021, 4:30 p.m.
Results Announced: March 2022
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.

Pfizer Global Medical Grants – Quality Improvement Grant: Optimizing Telehealth Use in Canada RFP
Funding up to $30,000 available for up to one (1) year. Click here for more information. Application to be submitted through the Pfizer online portal found here.
Application Deadline: January 25, 2022, 11:59 pm EST
ORS Deadline: January 18, 2022, 4:30 pm CST
Results Announced: April 2022
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.

International Funding Opportunities
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation – Pilot and Feasibility Awards
Provides support to promising new investigators in research areas relevant to cystic fibrosis for projects that will develop and test new hypotheses and/or new methods. Funding available of $50,000 USD in direct costs/year for two (2) years. Click here
for guidelines. Applications must be submitted through the CFF online portal found here.

**Application Deadline:** December 7, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
**REVISED DEADLINE**

**Application Deadline:** December 9, 2021, 5:00 p.m. EST*

**ORS Deadline:** December 2, 2021, 4:30 pm

**Notification of Award:** April 2022

**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.

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**Research Grants**
Provides support for basic science research. Funding available of $150,000 USD in direct costs/year for two (2) years. Click here for guidelines. Applications must be submitted through CFF online portal found here.

**Application Deadline:** December 9, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

**ORS Deadline:** December 2, 2021 – 4:30 p.m.

**Notification of Award:** April 2022

**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.

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**Path to a Cure (PTAC) Research Grant**
Provides support for basic science research. Funding available of $150,000 USD in direct costs/year for two (2) years. Click here for guidelines. Applications must be submitted through CFF online portal found here.

**Application Deadline:** December 9, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

**ORS Deadline:** December 2, 2021, 4:30 p.m.

**Notification of Award:** April 2022

**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.

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**Path to a Cure (PTAC) Pilot and Feasibility Award**
Provides support to promising new investigators in research areas relevant to cystic fibrosis for projects that will develop and test new hypotheses and/or new methods. Funding available of $50,000 USD in direct costs/year for two (2) years. Click here for guidelines. Applications must be submitted through the CFF online portal found here.

**Application Deadline:** December 9, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

**ORS Deadline:** December 2, 2021, 4:30 p.m.

**Notification of Award:** April 2022

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**National Institutes of Health (NIH) - AIDS and AIDS-Related Applications (All Activity Codes)**
See Key Dates section of funding opportunity announcement to determine if AIDS dates apply. Applications must be must submitted to the NIH through ASSIST and require an eRA Commons account.

**Application Deadline:** January 7, 2022, 5:00 pm CST

**ORS Deadline:** December 13, 2021 - 4:30 p.m. *(Deadline more than 10 days in advance due to UM Dec/Jan closure)*
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

WORKSHOP/EVENTS/MEETINGS/OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

➢ NIH podcast about how to decide whether to resubmit a grant application found here: https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2021/10/18/all-about-grants-podcast-to-resubmit-or-not/

➢ Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Seminar Series Webinars
The Career Development Seminar Series continues this fall with a number of live webinars. Click the link below to register and receive a recording after the event.
• Immune Response in CF, ft. Kristin Hudock. November 9, 2:00-3:00 pm EST. Register Here
• Bacteriophage Therapy in CF, ft. James Gurney, Paula Zamora Vargas, Gail Stanley, with Paul Turner as moderator. December 6, 2:00-3:00 pm EST. Register Here


➢ University of Manitoba Undergraduate Research Award (URA) program. Up to 170 qualified undergraduate students will receive $7,000 each to spend 16 weeks being mentored in research, scholarly work or creative activities. The deadline for this year’s applications is January 28, 2022.

➢ NIH Resources for new/early stage investigators, podcasts available here.

➢ Falconer Emerging Researcher Rh Awards - 2021 Call for Nominations Deadline is November 30, 2021.

➢ Recently, the NIH has made changes to its grant application requirements (including the formatting of Biosketch and Other Support pages) as well as introducing a multi-factor authentication requirement to the log-in of its on-line platforms of eRA Commons and ASSIST. Other US government application platforms such as grants.gov and eBRAP will follow shortly.

Starting Sept. 15, 2021, all registered users of eRA Commons and ASSIST will be required to use a multi-factor authentication process in order to log in by using Login.gov. The easiest way to complete this change is to create a Login.gov account and link your existing on-line platform accounts to it. You can do this for all of your US application platform accounts. It is recommended to choose the option of registering your cellphone for text message codes to avoid having to download another application to your phone.
NIH has updated its application forms and instructions to provide full transparency and disclosure of all research activities, foreign and domestic. In particular, the Biosketch and Other Support forms have been reformatted and the new format must be used for NIH applications starting May 25, 2021. Click here for the NIH notice with a summary of the changes. For more detailed information and instructions on completing these forms, consult the NIH resource pages as follows:

Biosketch forms: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm
Other Support forms: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/othersupport.htm
Other Support FAQ’s: https://grants.nih.gov/faqs/#/other-support-and-foreign-components.htm?anchor=question56450

To assist researchers with preparing their NIH applications (whether UM researchers are leading the application or are a Co-applicant being lead at another institution) ORS has created the attached checklists. The checklists are useful resources which contain the list of required documents for the application, indicate person responsible for creating each document (PI or ORS) and include links to additional NIH resource pages. Please contact Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca for the checklist documents and with questions regarding any of this information.

➢ Best Practices in Research Management
The Office of the Vice-President (Research and International) will be offering the workshop series “Best Practices in Research Management”. This workshop series covers a range of important administrative topics such as financial management, grant and contract compliance, and intellectual property protection amongst others. The workshop series is optional and has been designed to support individual researchers with the administrative requirements that are being imposed by funding agencies and partners to ensure they have a basic understanding of their requirements, and most importantly, which service units to contact for further support when questions arise. The workshop series includes four core workshops and three optional workshops. Participants who choose to complete all the core workshops and one of the optional workshops will receive a letter of recognition for that effort. The 2021-22 series will be offered via videoconference. Find further details and registration links here.

➢ DAAD German Academic Exchange Service – have several upcoming deadlines for different DAAD programs. Find the summary of all programs and their deadlines below:
   November 1: German Studies Research Grant
   November 1: Group Study Visit
   November 4: Research Grants (Short-Term and One-Year)
   November 4: Study Scholarship (All Disciplines)
   November 30: Study Scholarship - Fine Art, Design, Visual Communication and Film

➢ SSHRC will be holding a series of webinars for applicants and research administrators on upcoming competitions. The webinars will be held via WebEx at the following dates and times:

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For large, complex grant applications (e.g., Tri-agency major programs, NIH, US Department of Defense and those that require matching funds and/or additional institutional support, etc.) the deadline to submit a FAAF and research proposal to ORS is 10 working days in advance of agency deadline.

For other regular and/or ‘rolling’ and one-time grants submit a FAAF and research proposal.
INOVAIT EVENTS

Image-Guided Therapeutics & Diagnostics Symposium - Call for Abstracts Extended

The Image-Guided Therapeutics and Diagnostics committee is inviting authors to submit abstracts for oral and poster presentations, to be delivered virtually at the Image-Guided Therapeutics and Diagnostics Symposium (IGTD) on November 17th and 18th 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (PST)

IGTD will bring together clinicians, researchers, students, and industry organizations who are interested in emerging diagnostic and therapeutic health technologies. Why should you get involved?

- IGTD will provide an opportunity to communicate your research to a diverse group of people;
- Let you meet potential research and industry collaborators, and network with peers from across Canada;
- IGTD has over $900 in prizes for the top 3 abstracts (1st: $500, 2nd: $250, 3rd: $150)

INOVAIT is pleased to offer its members and project partners limited complimentary tickets to this event. Contact INOVAIT to get your promo code.

CIHR Ask Me Anything summary

CIHR held four Ask Me Anything webinars related to the Fall 2021 Project Grant in July – a summary of the questions and answers has now been posted.

CIHR video series called Ask a Scientist. A second video now released! Dr. Charu Kaushic, Scientific Director of the CIHR Institute of Infection and Immunity, stars in this new video. In just six minutes, she outlines the benefits of vaccination and explains the concept of herd immunity. Find the video and all the supporting materials here.
NSERC - Discovery Accelerator Supplements (DAS) program
As of competition year 2022, the Discovery Accelerator Supplements (DAS) program will be suspended until further notice. Although no new DAS awards will be made, ongoing DAS awards will continue to be honored.

This comes as NSERC re-directs the DAS budget to support investments in Discovery research and training awards, including the funded one-year extensions for Discovery Grants.

NSERC will continue to monitor and assess the future role and objectives of the DAS program as it relates to NSERC’s commitment to funding excellence in discovery research and training.

CSIS: National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships
Find the latest updates to the Government of Canada website (https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/063.nsf/eng/h_97955.html and several sub sections) on research security.

Join the Crohn’s & Colitis Foundation IBD Virtual Conference: November 18-19, 2021 – Register today and see what’s on the horizon in IBD discoveries! Early Bird discount now available for a limited time!

Public Safety Canada – Research Security Information Update

Research Administration System (RAS) Training Materials for Phase I
All Research Administration System (RAS) Training Materials for Phase I – Human Ethics Fort Garry is live as of Monday, June 28th. The remaining stages will follow later throughout the year (Animal Care, Grants & Contracts, Human Ethics – Bannatyne). You may have heard about developments regarding the RAS through Faculty or previous UM Today articles. You can learn more about the RAS on the project webpage.

Access the live RAS today. For more information visit the RAS Home Page.

Note: any work that was done in the RAS training page did not migrate over into the current RAS page. If you submitted a protocol in the training page, the office will not receive it. Ensure you are logging into RAS through the link above.

If you did not have the opportunity to attend training for Human Ethics – Fort Garry you can access training materials and information by logging into UM Learn and select the Self Registration tab. This will bring you to the Self Registering Course Offerings. Select Research Administration System from the list (or type Research_Administration_System_112020 in the search bar) and click Register. Once you have registered, you will be able to access all course material. For additional assistance with Self Registration click here.

For information regarding further training session opportunities contact: RAS_Support@umanitoba.ca
Grant applications submitted to NSERC’s Research Partnerships funding opportunities: The Government of Canada recently released a Research Security Policy Statement, which underlines that Canada’s world-class research, and its open and collaborative research environment, are increasingly targeted by espionage and foreign interference activities. To tackle this situation, the Government of Canada has asked the members of the Government of Canada–Universities Working Group to develop specific risk guidelines to integrate national security considerations into the evaluation and funding of research partnerships, with the aim to enable researchers, research institutions and government funders to undertake consistent, risk-targeted due diligence of potential risks to research security.

NSERC is assessing the implications of the new due diligence process on the delivery of its Research Partnerships funding opportunities. As a result, delays are affecting the intake and review of some Research Partnerships grant applications. Your understanding and patience are greatly appreciated.

Questions, contact (RPP@NSERC-CRSNG.GC.CA).

US Department of Defense Application Resources – Informational Webinars
Are you considering applying for a US DoD research grant? The Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP) presents a webinar series on types of funding opportunities offered and strategies to increase the success of applications submitted to different CDMRP programs. Click here to view available webinars.

NIH UPDATES
Equity, Diversion and Inclusion in Peer Review – read about the upcoming changes here.
Read about upcoming changes to the NIH biosketch effective May 25, 2021 here.

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) plans now required by many funding agencies.
- How will you recruit a diverse team and create an inclusive culture in your lab/team?
- Learn about existing barriers in your field and any EDI priorities, targets and programs in your unit
- Get involved in initiatives promoting representation of marginalized groups
- Take training opportunities and offer them to your research group
- Have plans for recruitment (advertising/interviewing) that considers diversity broadly (beyond racialization and sex/gender)

Best Practices in EDI resources:

The lift your spirit on Monday box— All the actors in the latest James Bond movie have their natural hair color. No time to dye 😊