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**American Society of Hematology Minority Medical Student Award Program**
**Deadline: Dec 15, 2016 (Mentor request form); Feb 1, 2017 (Application)**

The Minority Medical Student Award Program aims to increase the number of underrepresented minorities in hematology. The program is for **medical students** in their early years of medical school and features an 8-12 week summer research experience (open to years 1–2), as well as a flexible research experience that is to be completed over the course of a year (open to years 1–3). Check the website for eligibility requirements.

As part of the program, students will collaborate with an American Society of Hematology (ASH) member who will serve as their research mentor. Program participants are also paired with an ASH member who will serve as a career-development mentor throughout their medical schooling and residency. Students will present their findings at the end of the program at the ASH Annual Meeting & Exposition. Students who participate in the program may apply to the program for a second summer research experience. Participants will receive a stipend of $5000 and $2000 allowance for travel to the ASH annual meeting held in early December.

**American Society of Hematology Physician-Scientist Career Development Award**
**Deadline: Jan 6, 2017**

The American Society of Hematology (ASH) is offers the Physician-Scientist Career Development Award as an opportunity for **medical students** to gain experience in hematology research by immersing themselves in a fulltime, yearlong laboratory, translational, or clinical investigation under the mentorship of an ASH member. The award amount total is $42,000 which includes a stipend, allowance for supplies, insurance/educational expenses and meeting attendance.

The award is for a one-year period, generally July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. Applicants must be in years 1–3, and have a mentor who is an active member of ASH. **MD-PhD students will not be considered.** Please visit the website for additional information and application guidelines.
Funding Reminders

Mitacs Globalink Research Award – Nov 9, 2016
CHS Summer Studentships in Inherited Bleeding Disorders Research – Nov 15, 2016
Endocrine Society Summer Research Fellowships – Dec 8, 2016
3M National Student Fellowship – Jan 31, 2017

For additional funding opportunities visit: http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/funding/.

Upcoming Events

SEMINAR SERIES – Centre for Blood Research (CBR)
Date: Ongoing, next event is Oct 26, 2016; 12:00-1:00pm
Location: LSC 3, Life Sciences Centre, 2350 Health Sciences Mall, Vancouver

Title: Skeletal muscle mass: impact of growth, aging and disease

This ongoing seminar series features the latest research from visiting scientists as well graduate students and postdoctoral fellows at the CBR. Seminar day may vary depending on speaker availability but all seminars are held during the lunch hour. Please visit the website (hyperlinked above) for a list of upcoming seminars.

Oct 26th Speaker: Dr. Miranda Grounds, School of Anatomy, Physiology and Human Biology, University of Western Australia. Dr. Grounds’s research focuses on controlling the repair of damaged skeletal muscle and on potential treatments for muscle diseases. This talk will feature research related to molecular and cellular changes \textit{in vivo} in skeletal muscles during early post-natal growth, as well as sarcopenia, which is the age-related loss of skeletal muscle mass and function.

Life Sciences Research Night 2016

Date: Nov 17, 2016; 5:00-9:00pm
Location: Life Sciences Centre, 2350 Health Sciences Mall, Vancouver

UBC’s annual Life Science Research Night is one of the largest undergraduate research events hosted by the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Club, attracting over 400 students. The evening will consist of a keynote speech by UBC’s president Dr. Santa Ono, workshops on a variety of research-related topics, a faculty and student panel, and a poster mingling session. Advance registration is required.

For students who are interested in research opportunities within the Faculty of Medicine the FoM Student Research Coordinator, Linda Herbert, will be giving a workshop at the event on the FoM Summer Student Research Program (SSRP) and the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council’s Undergraduate Student Research Award (NSERC-USRA). Please note that workshop topics and times are currently being finalized and will be updated on the website shortly.
Centre for Clinical Epidemiology and Evaluation (C2E2) Annual Lecture 2016 – A Losing Battle? Health Science in the Age of Celebrity

Date: Dec 5, 2016; 3:00-4:30pm
Location: VGH Paetzold Lecture Hall, 899 W 12 Ave, Vancouver

Speaker: Professor Timothy Caulfield, Canada Research Chair in Health Law and Policy; Professor at the Faculty of Law and the School of Public Health, University of Alberta.

The 2016 C2E2 Annual Lecture will focus on understanding how to handle the large amount of science-free health and wellness advice prevalent in popular culture, much of which is conflicting, misleading, or downright ridiculous. Professor Timothy Caulfield will explore why and how health information gets distorted, especially in the context of the increasingly important role of celebrity culture, as well as how this impacts our health and health policy. **Advance registration is required by November 21, 2016.**

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Event Reminders

- **Gairdner Symposium – The untold story of the National Microbiology Laboratory** – Oct 24, 2016; 4:00-6:00 pm
- **MD/PhD Building Bridges Seminar: Emerging roles of proteases and translating them to the clinic** – Oct 24, 2016; 6:00-7:00pm
- **Don Rix Distinguished Keynote Address – The Genomic Revolution and its Impact on Human Kind** – Oct 25, 2016; 4:00 – 7:00 pm
- **Dementia: New Paths to Understanding** (2016 Marion Woodward Lecture) – Oct 27, 2016; 7:00-8:00 pm
- **LSI Public Talks: Staying Heart Healthy for Heart and Stroke** – Nov 15, 2016; 6:00-8:00pm
- **Centre for Blood Research - Annual Earl W. Davie Symposium** – Nov 17, 2016; 8:00 am-6:00 pm
- **CONFERENCE: Public Health Association of BC** Dec 11-12, 2016
- **CONFERENCE: Western Student & Resident Medical Research Forum** – Jan 26-28, 2017
- **Clinical Research Ethics Board Office Drop-In Sessions** – Every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month

For additional event listing visit: [http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/events/](http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/events/).

Follow this [link](http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/events/) for a list of ongoing events and seminar series that may be of interest to MD students.

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- **Health Talks Student Contest (Quality Forum 2017)** – Nov 13, 2016

Additional research and scholarship information and resources are available on the Student Research website: [http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/](http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/).