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ASH Minority Medical Student Award Program

Deadline: Request a Mentor – Nov 15, 2017; Application – Jan 15, 2018

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 in early December. Participants will receive a stipend of \$5000 and \$2000 allowance for travel to the ASH annual meeting.

Endocrine Society Summer Research Fellowships

Deadline: Dec 7, 2017

The Endocrine Society offers Summer Research Fellowships to both MD and non-MD undergraduate students. Awardees will receive a stipend to conduct research under the guidance of a Society member for 10 to 12 weeks during the summer. Applications are accepted from student-supervisor teams. Awardees will be invited to attend *ENDO 2018*, the Society's Annual Meeting and Expo, following the summer fellowship. Registration, airfare, lodging, and per diem for the duration of the meeting will be provided. **Please refer to the website for a complete list of application requirements.**

3M National Student Fellowship

Deadline: Jan 31, 2018

The 3M National Student Fellowship honours up to ten full-time **undergraduate students** at Canadian institutions who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in their lives and at their college or university. Awardees will receive \$5,000 and be invited to attend the annual conference of the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education, where they will participate in a 3M National Student Fellowship Program retreat. Applicants must be enrolled in their first undergraduate program, and may not be in their first or last year of study. **MD students who have not**

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completed a prior degree may be eligible – but must complete their applications carefully to make their eligibility clear to the adjudication committee. *Students who were previous recipients of the fellowship are not eligible.*

The application process for these awards is extensive and requires the Vice President, Students to review the completed package. Please contact the <u>VP Students</u> office to confirm their internal deadline (obtaining approvals/signatures can take several weeks). MD and Faculty of Medicine students can contact the FoM Student Research & Education Coordinator if they require assistance obtaining approval or have questions about the application process (<u>med.studentresearch@ubc.ca</u>). MD students can also contact Dr. Courneya, Assistant Dean Student Affairs VFMP as she is familiar with this application process and has offered to provide guidance to MD student applicants. Please contact as far in advance of the deadline as possible.

Funding Reminders

Mitacs Globalink Research Award - Nov 8, 2017

CHS Summer Studentships in Inherited Bleeding Disorders Research - Nov 15, 2017

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

Upcoming Events

Criminal Justice Issues and Their Relationship to Public Health in Brazil

Date: Oct 2, 2017; 1:00-2:30pm

Location: Room 102, School of Population and Public Health (2206 East Mall, Vancouver)

Hosted by UBC's Collaborating Centre for Prison Health and Education. Dr. Cláudio do Prado Amaral, Professor and Judge in Sao Paulo, Brazil who will speak about his prison research (adults and juvenile) and his work as a criminal court judge. From 2007 to 2009, he worked on cases involving the criminal organization Primeiro Comando da Capital (PCC), known as the most dangerous organization in South America.

Drs. Fabrício Augusto Menegon and Walter Ferreira de Oliveira will speak about public health and prison health at the Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Florianópolis, Brazil. **RSVP to Debra Hanberga**: ccphe@spph.ubc.ca.

CBR Seminar Series: Enhancement of Mammary Tumour Metastasis by Immune Suppressive Cells

Date: Oct 4 12:00pm-1:00pm

Location: Room LSC3 Life Sciences Centre (2350 Health Sciences Mall, Vancouver)

The Centre for Blood Research's Seminar Series features the latest research from visiting scientists as well graduate students and postdoctoral fellows at the institute. Note that seminar dates vary depending on speaker availability. Seminars are also broadcasted online through web conferencing.

Immune suppressive cells play a crucial physiological role in mediating peripheral tolerance, preventing autoimmunity, and limiting chronic inflammation by suppressing the expansion and activity of effector T cells. Dr. Kevin Bennewith, Department of Integrative Oncology, BC Cancer Agency will focus on potential strategies to disrupt the accumulation of immune suppressive cells in the lungs with the aim of decreasing metastatic tumour growth.

Abandoning Illusions, Confronting Biases

Date: Oct 12 3:00pm-4:30pm

Location: VGH Paetzold Lecture Hall (899 West 12th Avenue, Vancouver)

The 2017 C2E2 Annual Lecture brings Steven Lewis as a guest speaker to provide insights on behavioural economics. The insights of behavioral economics will show us why good evidence and good incentives have often failed to improve safety, quality, and efficiency. This presentation will explore policies doomed to failure and suggest

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potentially more successful options based on an expanded view of rationality and a more nuanced understanding of what makes people sick.

Event Reminders

CONFERENCE: Western Student & Resident Medical Research Forum – ABSTRACTS – Sep 29, 2017; EVENT: Jan 25-27, 2018

Mental Illness and Substance Use: Challenging Old and Persistent Paradigms – Oct 5, 2017; 7:00-8:30pm

Gairdner Symposium – Oct 23, 2017

<u>Clinical Research Ethics Board Office Drop-In Sessions</u> – Every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month For additional event listing visit: http://www.med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/stay-connected/.

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<u>University of Toronto Medical Journal – Call for submissions</u> – Oct 1, 2017 <u>UBC Medical Journal – Call for submissions</u> – Oct 14, 2017 <u>Free statistics consulting</u> How to find a research supervisor

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