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**Funding Opportunities and Awards**

**Funding Reminders**

- **Sjögren’s Society of Canada Summership Grant** – May 1, 2014
- **Mitacs Globalink Research Award (Travel to conduct research)** – ongoing

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

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**Upcoming Events**

**Island Health – Annual Five Days in May (research month)**

**Date: May 1, 7, 16, 24, 30, 2014**

Location: Victoria. Woodward Room, Begbie Hall, Royal Jubilee Hospital. Limited VC available at other VIHA sites (see daily agendas for locations and dial-in details).

The Research and Capacity Building Program at Island Health is pleased to invite you to the second annual **Five Days in May**, a showcase of health research and its powerful and positive impact on health and health care! Designed to EDUCATE, INFORM, INSPIRE, & STIMULATE around a wide range of health research topics, Five Days in May brings together a virtual powerhouse of expertise drawn from the local, regional, provincial and national research community.
To see a detailed agenda for each day and to RSVP please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

**May 1: Research Across the Lifespan**
Research evidence impacts health at all ages, and on May 1st we’ll take you on a journey of research across the life span.

**May 8: New Horizons in Clinical Research**
Clinical research is a challenging and rapidly expanding discipline that develops new therapeutic interventions, diagnostics, and innovative technologies, and investigates the mechanisms of disease. This year’s clinical research day will include examples in the amazing world of neurological research with broad applicability to all therapeutic areas!

**May 15: Bringing Research into Practice**
Despite the synchronous goals of health care and health research, there has been a long-standing separation between the two in Canada, contributing to a knowledge translation “death valley” that has limited the successful application of evidence-based practices. Transforming the health care system to better integrate the evidence-generating “engine” of research into practice is a part of the solution.

**May 22: The Power of Research Partnerships**
Partnership and collaboration enable organizations to synergize their collective strengths, expertise, and resources to conduct health research and translate positive evidence into practice and policy in ways that each would be unable to achieve alone. Although the path to effective partnership can be challenging, lessons have been learned by those who have been there and the potential improvements in health and health care continue to compel organizations to forge new and improved ways to capture this synergy.

**May 29: Redefining Research: Better Together**
Island Health opens up its doors to this public in this exciting event designed to educate and inform members of the community at large about regional health research, its role in modern health care, and the many positive impacts on health and well-being.

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**Lifelong Living: Plain Talk about Palliative Care**

**Date: May 5, 2014 7:00 - 9:00 pm**

Location: Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre Hotel (Junior Ballroom), 1088 Burrard Street, Vancouver

Join us on for some thoughtful conversation about the role of Palliative Care in helping people live as well as they can for as long as they can. The Lifelong Living Public Forum is brought to you by the Palliative Care Program at Providence Health Care, and supported by donors to the St. Paul’s Hospital Foundation in recognition of National Palliative Awareness Week May 5-10, 2014.
Keynote presentation: *Maintaining dignity in the face of illness* Dr. Harvey Chochinov, Manitoba Palliative Care Research Unit. Will serious illness rob me of who I am as a person? The loss of dignity is a very common and real fear for people facing their own mortality. Dr. Harvey Chochinov’s internationally-acclaimed research has shown how a personal sense of dignity can literally make the difference between a person’s wish to live or die. Learn about what dignity really means to people, and how health professionals, family caregivers and patients themselves can safeguard and promote dignity during the most difficult times.

**Pre-registration for this free event is required** (visit the website hyperlinked above).

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**UBC Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine – Pathology Day 2014**

**Date:** May 23, 2014, 7:55am – 8:30pm  
**Location:** Paetzold Education Centre (855 West 12th Ave.) & MSAC, (2750 Heather St.) Vancouver

We are pleased to announce the Annual Pathology Day Conference which will be held on Friday May 23, 2014 at the Paetzold Education Centre for oral presentations and guest speakers, and the Medical Student Alumni Centre for the poster session and awards reception.

This important event provides faculty, students, residents, fellows and departmental members/associates with the opportunity to showcase their clinical, basic, or translational research efforts and allows them to learn more about the diverse ongoing research in our department.

Please visit the Pathology Day website (hyperlinked above) for more information and to register.

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**UBC Animal Care Committee – Drop-in session**

**Date:** May 23, 2014  
**Location:** UBC Office of Research Services, 102-6190 Agronomy Road

The Animal Care Committee offers regular drop-in hours for faculty, staff or students wishing to meet with a member from the Animal Care Committee. These times facilitate dialogue on animal-related matters, such as provisos related to a protocol, assistance and advice on submitting a new protocol, or information on animal procedures.

Please RSVP to Roger Chow (roger.chow@ors.ubc.ca) if you’re interested as space is limited.

For a more current list of dates, please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

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**LSI Public talks: Harnessing the immune system to treat infection, autoimmune disorders and cancer**

**Date:** May 27, 2014; 6:00 – 8:00 pm  
**Location:** Alma VanDusen & Peter Kaye Rooms, Lower Level; Vancouver Public Library (350 West Georgia Street)
Our ability to harness the power of the immune system to treat a vast variety of diseases is rapidly advancing. Join the Life Sciences Institute’s Infection, Inflammation & Immunity research group leaders for short talks and discussion about the use of the immune system in treating infection, autoimmune disorders and cancer.

Speakers:  
- Using the immune system to combat infection – Dr Georgia Perona-Wright
- Treating cancer with immunology – Dr Ken Harder
- Immunotherapies in autoimmunity – Dr Marc Horwitz

The Life Sciences Institute proudly hosts LSI Public Talks, an informal and open forum that aims to bring the latest and greatest ideas in the area of the Life Sciences to the public. Each event is free to attend and will include a talk, networking opportunities and reception. RSVP required. To RSVP please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

**CONFERENCE: Federation of Medical Women of Canada – Call for student abstracts**

**Date:** September 19-21, 2014; **ABSTRACT DEADLINE** July 25, 2014

**Location:** Coast Coal Harbour Hotel, Vancouver

Federation of Medical Women of Canada (FMWC) seeks to be the networking and professional development home for all Canadian women in the medical profession while being the preeminent advocate for women’s health across Canada. This meeting is attended by women physicians in all fields of medicine. The presentations include seminars on leadership, networking, work-life balance, and career transitions. This is an excellent opportunity to showcase your work and network with specialists from across the province and country. For meeting program details and registration please visit the conference website (hyperlinked above).

Abstract submission is open to medical students and residents who are current FMWC members. We encourage poster topics related to sex and gender differences and women’s health issues.

Submissions will undergo peer review and all selected abstracts will be displayed as posters. The presenting author of the top abstract in each category of medical student and resident submission will be awarded a prize.

Please see the online call for trainee abstracts [here](#) (separate from main conference website) for submission instructions and additional details.

**Event Reminders**

- **Genomics Forum 2014 & Genome BC Poster Competition** – May 9, 2014
- **CONFERENCE: eHealth and Innovative Technology** – May 9, 2014
The End of AIDS: Reality or Hyperbole – May 21, 2014
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/.

Ongoing Seminar Series
Please follow this link for a list of ongoing events and seminar series that may be of interest to MD undergraduate students.

MD/PhD Building Bridges Seminar Series

Reminder: Dr. David K.B. Li. Professor, Department of Radiology, UBC
Date: Monday, 28 April 2014, 6:00 – 7:00 pm
Location: Latham Hall, Medical Student Alumni Centre, 12th Avenue & Heather Street, Vancouver, BC

Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources

High Impact Publications E-Newsletter
HIPE is a monthly newsletter delivering exciting original health-science research to Canadian medical students. The aim is to foster awareness of current literature and facilitate the development of critical appraisal skills. Each month a team of medical students review the high-impact health science literature and, with assistance from faculty advisors, select ten articles of particular interest. We encourage students to submit articles they think should be included in next month's issue and to provide feedback. Please visit the website (hyperlinked above) to view current and past issues, subscribe to receive future issues directly or to submit your suggestions for future issues. Questions can be addressed to the editorial team at HIPE.monthly@gmail.com.

Reminders
Research Opportunity, Radiation Oncology Program, BCCA Abbotsford Centre – Deadline May 1, 2014 (see April 11th issue for details)
UBC College of Health Disciplines: Student Journal – Call for Submissions – Deadline May 16, 2014
CFRI Research Education Video Library

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