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**Funding Opportunities and Awards**

**Stem Cell Network Clinical Student Research Training Award**

**Deadline: March 6, 2014**

The Clinical Student Research Training Award provides salary support for Medical students, Dentistry students, or Veterinary students (herein referred to as ‘Clinical Students’) currently enrolled at a Canadian university to obtain research training in a stem cell research laboratory in Canada.

The Clinical Student Research Training Award provides a maximum of $6,000 in salary support for a Clinical Student to work on a stem cell-focused research project in the lab of a SCN PI for one summer work term between May 1, 2014 – Aug 31, 2014. In addition, the SCN Clinical Student Research Training Award also covers the travel and accommodation costs for the student to present their research at the 2014 Till & McCulloch Meetings (TMM) on October 27-29, 2014 in Ottawa. For application information please visit the website (hyperlinked above).
Stem Cell Network Undergraduate Research Training Award
Deadline: March 6, 2014

The SCN Undergraduate Research Training provides $5,000 in salary support for an undergraduate student (non-MD) in their second, third or fourth year of study to work on a stem cell-focused research project in the lab of a SCN PI over one four-month work terms (May 1, 2014 – Aug 31, 2014). In addition, the SCN Undergraduate Research Training award also covers the travel and accommodation costs for the student to present their research at the 2014 Till & McCulloch Meetings on October 27-29, 2014 in Ottawa. The TMM2014 travel award is contingent on the undergraduate student submitting an abstract for presentation (oral or poster) at the Meetings. For application information please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

Canadian MPS Society’s Summer Studentship Research Grants
Deadline: March 30, 2014

The Canadian Society for Mucopolysaccharide & Related Diseases Inc. has for many years granted a limited number of Summer Studentship Research Grants for medical students and university undergraduates, with the hope that these opportunities may result in more individuals being attracted to research careers involving lysosomal storage disorders.

The studentships are tenable at any university in Canada. Successful candidates are expected to spend at least 12 weeks working on their projects, and must submit a formal written report summarizing the results of their research when complete. Grants of $4,000.00 are payable directly to successful candidates. For application information please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

SQAN Studentship Award Competition
Deadline: March 31, 2014; 4:00 pm

The Surgical Quality Action Network is excited to announce the second annual summer studentship awards in surgery for the summer of 2014. The BC Patient Safety & Quality Council, SQAN, the UBC Department of Surgery and the Office of Pediatric Surgical Evaluation and Innovation (OPSEI) are offering surgery studentships to quality and safety improvement teams across the BC health authorities. This program offers students an opportunity to conduct meaningful quality improvement projects while gaining valuable experience in the BC health care setting.

Each award carries funding to support a stipend for an eight-week studentship as well as funding to support the creation of a poster or publication so that project teams can report project outcomes and enhance knowledge sharing. This program is open to medical students, students from the allied
health disciplines, and undergraduate students. For application information please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

**Canadian Liver Foundation Summer Studentship**

**Deadline: March 31, 2014**

The Canadian Liver Foundation Summer Studentship Program provides an opportunity for a limited number of well-motivated students with records of strong academic performance to participate in liver-related research. A total of five summer studentships are available across Canada including one summer studentship to be awarded to a student in British Columbia whose research project is related to paediatric liver disease. Applicants must be registered at a Canadian institution in an undergraduate degree program. Canadian citizens, landed immigrants and permanent residents will receive first consideration. Each award will be for any three summer months (May-August). The award will be $3500 for the student’s stipend plus $500 for supplies. For additional details please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

**Funding Reminders**

- **HONORS (Hematology) Award** – Feb 21, 2014
- **Canadian Blood Services Summer Internship Program** – Feb 28, 2014
- **William B. Bean Student Research Award** – March 1, 2014
- **ASPET Zannoni Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF)** – March 1, 2014
- **ASN Foundation for Kidney Research Student Scholar Grant** – March 7, 2014
- **Canadian Rheumatology Association (CRA) Summer Studentship Programs** – March 7, 2014
- **Child and Family Research Institute Summer Studentship** – March 15, 2014
- **Society for Vascular Surgery Student Research Fellowship** – March 17, 2014
- **Mitacs Globalink Research Award (Travel)** – ongoing
- **BC Clinical Genomics Network Travel and Training Awards** – ongoing

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

**Upcoming Events**

- **UBC Faculty of Medicine – Medicine Undergraduate Research Forum**
  
  **Date: February 20, 2014**
  
  Location: LSC – with VC to IMP, NMP and SMP
The UBC Medical Undergraduate Society, *UBC Medical Journal*, MD/PhD Program, and Faculty of Medicine Office of the Executive Associate Dean, Research invite you to attend the 10th annual *UBC Medicine Undergraduate Research Forum*.

The forum features research by UBC medical, dental and Summer Student Research Program undergraduate students, as well as the release of the newest issue of the *UBC Medical Journal*. View the event poster [here](#).

Light refreshments will be served during the poster session. **Please RSVP by Monday February 17th via our [online registration system](#).** For questions not answered on the website please contact the organizing committee at research.forum@ubc.ca.

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**Health Talks 2014**  
**Date:** February 26, 2014; 6:00 pm  
**Location:** Westin Bayshore Hotel, Vancouver

Health Talks is back for Quality Forum 2014! Once again, this popular evening event will serve as our unofficial kick-off to the Forum. Health Talks will take place on the evening before the Quality Forum begins – February 26. Engaging and passionate speakers – representing both health care and the public – will answer our question: What are your hopes for health care? But Health Talks’ speakers won’t read off cue cards or use PowerPoint presentations full of bullet points. They’ll use the Pecha Kucha format, where each presentation contains 20 slides and each slide is displayed for exactly 20 seconds before automatically advancing to the next one. The slides can only feature photos or videos – no text!

For registration ($15) and a list of speaker please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

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**VCH Research Institute – 3-Minute-Thesis: Heat**  
**Date:** February 28, 2014, 11am-1pm  
**Location:** Blusson Lecture Hall, Blusson Spinal Cord Centre, 818 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver

The Three Minute Thesis (3MT) is an academic competition that assists current graduate students with fostering effective presentation and communication skills. Participants have just three minutes to explain the breadth and significance of their research project to a non-specialist audience. Come and learn about the research being conducted by current FoM graduate students and see how a huge project can be effectively distilled down into a 3 minute presentation. For more details please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

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**BC’s 1st Annual eHealth and Innovative Technology Showcase**  
**Date:** May 9, 2014; **REGISTRATION DEADLINE** March 25, 2014  
**Location:** Vancouver Convention Centre
The 1st Annual BC eHealth and Innovative Technology Showcase (eHITS) is a brand new conference co-hosted and developed by the UBC eHealth Strategy Office and UBC Division of Continuing Professional Development (UBC CPD).

Regardless of whether or not you are an innovator, average user, novice or technophobe, this conference will showcase the most practical and applicable eHealth technologies and innovations relevant to a busy BC health care provider today.

For more details, contact: ehits.bc@ubc.ca or 604-875-5101 or visit the website (hyperlinked above).

**Event Reminders**

- **The Policy Challenges and Health Limits of Personalized Medicine** – Feb 20, 2014
- **Celebrate Research Public Lecture: You and Your Immune System** – Feb 25, 2014
- **UBC Animal Care Committee Drop-in Session Office Hours** – Feb 26, 2014; 9:00-11:00 am
- **Student Biotechnology Network – Expo and Conference** – Feb 26, 2014
- **CONFERENCE: Brain Matters! Vancouver** – Mar. 12-14, 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/research/students/events/](http://med.ubc.ca/research/students/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**

**Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources**

**UBC Medical Journal Call for Submissions** – deadline March 1, 2014

The *UBC Medical Journal* (UBCMJ) is currently accepting submissions for our September 2014 issue. The UBCMJ is an internationally recognized student-run academic journal with the goal of engaging students in a dialogue in medicine. We encourage medical students and health professionals throughout Canada to submit!

The UBCMJ provides an opportunity to: publish a commentary, review or research in a peer-reviewed journal; learn about the submission and review process; stimulate dialogue on medical issues that
matter to you; enhance your resume (eg. for CaRMS applications).

We accept articles in all areas of medicine, including but not limited to research, reviews, case reports, medical history, ethics, medical anthropology, epidemiology, public health, medical education and international health. The theme of the next issue is The Future of Health Care, so we particularly encourage submissions that detail the changing face of health care delivery, medical education, and medical ethics. However, articles do not have to be on theme and we strongly encourage authors to submit any work they wish to have published. To encourage and recognize high quality writing, we will be presenting the UBCMJ Distinguished Writing Award (with a $250 honorarium) to the strongest article submitted for this issue! For details regarding submissions processes please visit the UBCMJ website (hyperlinked above).

Reminders

Free Statistical Analyses -- UBC Department of Statistics

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