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ALSF Pediatric Oncology Student Training (POST) Program

Deadline: March 4, 2013

Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation (ALSF) is dedicated to funding pediatric oncology researchers at critical points in their careers. The POST Program is designed for graduate and medical students who have an interest in pediatric oncology research and would like to experience the field first hand. Students may join a research project underway in a mentor's lab or begin an original investigation with the mentor. Students must currently be in or accepted into medical or graduate school. Students must be able to dedicate a minimum of ten full weeks to the program and start between May 1 and August 31, 2013 (dates may vary depending on the student's scheduled break).

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Stem Cell Network Clinical Student Research Training Award

Deadline: March 4, 2013

The Clinical Student Research Training Award was initiated to fund **Medical students**, **Dentistry students**, **or Veterinary students** (herein referred to as 'Clinical Students') currently enrolled at a Canadian university who are looking to obtain research training in a stem cell research laboratory in Canada during the summer (either 3 or 4 months depending on the maximum time off allotted by the applicant's clinical program). In addition, the SCN Clinical Student Research Training Award also covers the travel and accommodation costs for the student to present their research at a subsequent Till & McCulloch Meeting (TMM) that overlaps or immediately follows the term of this award. The TMM travel award is contingent on the applicant submitting an abstract for presentation (oral or poster) at the AGM. Note that the next Till & McCulloch Meeting is scheduled for October 23-25, 2013 in Banff.

Faculty of Medicine NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA)

Deadline: March 4, 2012; 4:00 pm

This competition is only open to **students currently enrolled in a bachelor's degree**, MD students are not eligible. The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) subsidizes eligible professors to hire students on their research projects, thereby creating interesting research-related jobs and giving students the opportunity to gain valuable work experience. For eligibility information, including a list of Faculty of Medicine supervisors who are eligible to act as NSERC USRA supervisors, please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

FoM Dept. of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Summer Student Fellowship

Deadline: March 8, 2013

The Summer Student Fellowship Program of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, UBC Faculty of Medicine has been established for the purpose of providing **undergraduate and medical students** with either basic or clinical research experiences, or clinical experiences in laboratory medicine under supervision and mentorship of our Department's Faculty. Students will receive an award of \$3000 over 2 months.

CFRI Summer Student Research Program

Deadline: March 15, 2013

The Child & Family Research Institute's (CFRI) Summer Student Research Program fosters research awareness and interest in the undergraduate and medical community. The program attracts students from local, national and international academic institutions, and exposes them to research in the area of children's and women's health. Approximately 17 studentships are given to top ranked students

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based on scholarly achievement, scientific merit of the proposed project, and the potential benefits applicants will gain from the experience. Students provided with a studentship work up to a maximum of 12 weeks between May and August.

2013 SQAN Studentship Award Competition

Deadline: March 22, 2013; 4:00 pm

Through the Surgical Quality Action Network (SQAN), a group of organizations have come together to launch the first-ever studentship awards in surgery for the summer of 2013. The BC Patient Safety and Quality Council, the UBC Department of Surgery and the Office of Pediatric Surgical Evaluation and Innovation (OPSEI) are collaborating to offer innovative surgery studentships for 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 within the health care setting. A total of four summer studentship awards will be offered. The project term will be from June to August, 2013. Each award carries funding to support a stipend for an eight-week student project. Funding will also be available to support an academic poster for project teams to report on project outcomes and enhance knowledge sharing. This program is open to medical students, students from the allied health disciplines, and undergraduate students.

Funding Reminders

Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences Summer Student Research Program – Feb 8, 2013

BC Cancer Agency Studentships – Feb 13, 2013

UBC FoM Summer Student Research Program – Feb 15, 2013

Canadian Blood Services (CBS) Summer Internship Program – Feb 15, 2013

The ASH HONORS Award (Hematology) - Feb 22, 2013

<u>CRA Summer Studentship Programs</u> (2 programs) – March 1, 2013

Zannoni Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow (SURF) Award – March 1, 2013

William B. Bean Student Research Award - March 1, 2013

SVS Student Research Fellowship - March 17, 2013

<u>CNF Swaiman Medical Scholarship</u> – March 26, 2013 (via mail)

BC Clinical Genomics Travel Awards – ongoing

For additional funding opportunities visit: http://med.ubc.ca/research/md undergrad/

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Upcoming Events

Drug Resistance In HIV: What Can We Do About It?

Date: February 12, 2013; 3:00-4:00 pm Location: UBC Life Sciences Centre, LSC 2

In this free public lecture, HIV/AIDS expert and 2012 Canada Council Killam Prize in Health Sciences winner, Dr. Mark Wainberg will review the progress that has been attained worldwide in the use of antiretroviral drugs, and discuss how the development and transmission of drug-resistant strains threatens to undermine this progress. He will also explain why this problem may be more severe in developing country settings, such as in sub-Saharan-Africa, and why this situation is unlikely to change for at least several decades. Dr. Mark Wainberg is Professor of Medicine and Microbiology and Immunology at McGill University and director of its AIDS Centre. Internationally recognized for his initial identification of 3TC as an anti-viral drug and contributions to the field of HIV drug resistance, Dr. Wainberg served as President of the International AIDS Society between 1998-2000. More recently, Wainberg has focused on new concepts in prevention of HIV infection in developing countries

Café Scientifique Victoria: From fat to sweet and back again--a scientist's journey into hormones, sugar, and the choices we make

Date: February 19, 2013; 6:30 pm

Location: Hermann's Jazz Club (753 View St), Victoria

Sometimes science at a university happens in a way that is isolated from the general public. Café Scientifique is an informal seminar series hosted by the U Vic Centre for Biomedical Research that provides insight into health-related issues and general science topics of popular interest to the general public. These seminars are opportunities for the public to meet local researchers and discuss some of the most interesting and sometimes contentious research currently underway in Canada.

Speaker: <u>Dr. Dianne Lattemann</u>: Senior Research Career Scientist; Research Professor, Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences(VA); Adjunct, Department of Psychology; Adjunct, Medicine University of Washington.

Please contact cfbr@uvic.ca or 250-472-4067 for RSVP.

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Let's Talk About: Acute Stroke and Stroke Prevention

Date: February 20, 2013; 7-9 pm

Location: St Paul's Hospital, Providence Building Lecture Theatre (level 1)

The Department of Medicine and the St. Paul's Hospital Foundation are pleased to present a series of public lectures to be held at St. Paul's Hospital on the third Wednesday of each month. These forums are open to the public and the registration is free.

Speakers: Dr. Laura Wilson and Dr. Christine Stables; Senior Adult Neurology Residents; Department of Medicine, Division of Neurology; Postgraduate Medical Education Training Program; University of British Columbia

Intended for anyone who has been affected by a stroke, those who are at risk, and those who just want to know more this devastating disease. The presentation will focus on treatment, how to recognize the warning signs and symptoms, how to reduce the risks, and how to help patients feel better and live more functional and healthier lives. The presentation will also highlight the latest in treatment and research. For more information and to register email your name and contact information to ownyourhealth@providencehealth.bc.ca or call 604-806-8495.

Biotech Expo & Conference 2013

Date: February 26, 2013; 5:30-10:00 pm

Location: Pan Pacific Vancouver (999 Canada Place, #300)

This event is hosted by the Student Biotechnology Network (SBN). Students interested in pursuing a career outside of the lab or who want to meet mentors working in the biotech industry are invited to attend the SBN Biotech Expo & Conference which will provide opportunities to:

- Connect with industry professionals and mentors at our networking reception.
- Be inspired by stories from leaders in the life science sector at our breakout sessions.
- Visit exhibitions and talk to delegates from leading organizations in the life science sector.
- Learn about different careers away from the bench and how to get there.

Attendees must register in advance via the event website (hyperlinked above).

Event Reminders

SFU Café Scientifique – Feb 19, 2013

CONFERENCE: BC Patient Safety & Quality Council – February 28-March 1, 2012

Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference (MURC) - Event March 16, 2013

CONFERENCE: Lost in Translation 2013 – March 26-27, 2013

CONFERENCE: Canadian Conference on Medical Education – April 20-23, 2012

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For additional event listing visit: http://med.ubc.ca/research/md undergrad/events/

Ongoing Seminar Series

Please follow this <u>link</u> 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

Medical Illustrator Internship Opportunity

Deadline March 18, 2013

CMMT, a molecular genetics research centre, is dedicated to exploring the genetic basis of disease and translating this knowledge into new prevention, diagnosis and treatment strategies for common and neglected diseases. CMMT will be accepting applications for two medical illustrator internship positions in 2013.

The Medical Illustrator Intern will be responsible for the production of illustrative material to help explain genetics projects. The product of these creative projects will be used in CMMT outreach activities, to help explain the science conducted at CMMT to the public. These products will help stimulate dialogue, helping raise awareness of molecular genetics, and will also help bridge the gap between the scientific and the non-scientific communities.

To be considered, each applicant is required to submit a complete application with all required attachments no later than March 18, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. PST. More information about the application can be found by following the above hyperlink.

Reminders

Vancouver Coastal Health Research Institute (VCHRI) Researcher Directory

New CFRI Trainee website

This changed my practice (online resource)

Statistical Consulting (see Nov 2, 2012 edition)

Remember additional research and scholarship information and resources are available on the FoM Research Office Website: http://med.ubc.ca/research/md undergrad/