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Funding Opportunities, Awards and Prizes

**Patricia A Baird Prize**
**Deadline: August 2012**

The Department of Medical Genetics would like to bring to your attention the award criteria for the Patricia A Baird Prize. The Patricia A Baird Prize was endowed by friends and colleagues to honour Dr. Patricia A. Baird who served as Head of the Department of Medical Genetics from 1978 to 1989.

The award is given annually to a **MD undergraduate medical student** who has demonstrated an appreciation for and interest in Medical Genetics. Any UBC MD undergraduate medical student involved in clinical care of a patient in which genetics plays an etiological role, or research relevant to Medical Genetics can be considered for the award. To be considered for the award, the student must give a presentation on their work to the Medical Genetics Clinic at one of the clinic's Friday rounds, which will be evaluated by the Baird Prize Award Committee. In particular, students are encouraged to present cases they have seen during clinical rotations in the Department of Medical Genetics or other departments, or research pursued during summer projects. Individuals interested in this award are encouraged to participate in the Medical Genetics Summer Case Review. The award recipient will be determined in August of each year.
For more information on this award, the Medical Genetics Summer Journal Club and Case Review, or MD undergraduate Clinical Rotations please contact:

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Funding Reminders

**BC Clinical Genomics Travel Awards** – ongoing

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

Upcoming Events

**Alzheimer’s: Does it have to be part of aging?**

**Date:** July 17, 2012; 5 pm  
**Location:** Library Square Conference Centre, Vancouver Public Library (150 West Georgia St.)

It's estimated that, in 30 years, the number of Canadians who will develop Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia will reach over 1 million. Can we prevent Alzheimer's? What treatments are available? Is there a cure in sight? What are the latest diagnostic tools? How can we improve support to caregivers? Research is underway in Canada and around the world to tackle the overwhelming challenge. Join us for an informal discussion with Canadian experts and hear about the latest results in Alzheimer's research. This free event is hosted by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research and its Institute of Aging. Space is limited. RSVP: [cafescientifique@cihr-irsc.gc.ca](mailto:cafescientifique@cihr-irsc.gc.ca).

**Speakers:** Max S. Cynader, PhD; Brain Research Centre, UBC  
Howard Feldman, MD; Clinic for Alzheimer's Disease & Related Disorders, UBC Hospital  
Gloria Gutman, PhD; Gerontology Research Centre, SFU

Event Reminders

**VCHRI Research Forum: Summer Research Student – Poster Idol** – August 24, 2012  
**Conference:** **Priorities 2012** – September 16-19 2012

For additional event listing visit: [http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/events/](http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/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

Call for Submissions – UBC Medical Journal (UBCMJ)
The UBC Medical Journal is currently accepting submissions for our next issue. For those of you unfamiliar with it, the UBCMJ is an internationally recognized student-run academic journal with the goal of engaging students in a dialogue in medicine. We encourage both undergraduate and medical student submissions. The UBCMJ provides an opportunity to:

• Publish a commentary, review or research paper in a peer-reviewed journal (including the research many of you are currently conducting this summer through the SSRP or another summership program)
• Learn about the submission and review process
• Stimulate dialogue on medical issues that matter to you
• Enhance your resume

Submission genres include Academic Research, Reviews, Commentaries, Global Health, and Case and Elective Reports. The UBCMJ publishes issues every March and September and submission deadlines for each issue are approximately six months prior to publication. It is important to note, however, that submissions are accepted year-round.

The submission deadline for the Spring 2013 issue is Monday, October 8th, 2012 at 11:59 pm. The theme of the issue is Clinical Genomics, but authors are not limited to the theme and can submit work on any relevant topic. For further information regarding submissions processes please visit the UBCMJ website (hyperlinked above).

Additionally, for those of you entering medical school in the fall, UBCMJ staff recruitment will be happening! There are positions available for UBC medical students and also for students at other medical schools across Canada. Details will be posted on our website closer to the beginning of the school year.

Reminder – Research Opportunity – Dr. Peter von Dadelszen & colleagues (see June 25th edition)
Reminder – MD Student Research Opportunity – Dr. Tricia Tang (see June 1st edition)
Reminder – Information for Students Travelling Abroad to Conduct Research/Scholarship Projects
Reminder – MD Student Research Opportunity – Dr. Richard N. Merchant (see May 18th edition)
Reminder – Clinical Epidemiology Summer Studentship (see April 20th edition)
Reminder - Cochrane Hypertension Group (April 5th edition)
Reminder – Finding your own funding opportunity
Reminder – Obtaining UBC signatures for your grant applications

Remember additional research and scholarship information and resources are available on the FoM Research Office Website, under the MD and Undergraduate Students tab:
http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/