

# Student Research News e-bulletin

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## Funding Opportunities and Awards

### 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/)

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## Upcoming Events

[Brain function in health and disease: insights into stroke recovery](#)

**Date: June 12, 2012; 8:45am – 5:15 pm**

Location: UBC Brain Research Centre (UBC Hospital, 1<sup>st</sup> floor)

Stroke is a leading cause of disability in North America, with over 40,000 new cases occurring each year in Canada alone. In order to minimize the impact of stroke, research has focused on developing acute interventions that mitigate the initial damage (neuro-protection), as well as treatments that promote recovery and repair after the damage is done. Both of these strategies are guided by our current understanding of healthy brain function as the cellular and network mechanisms recruited in post-stroke repair are also in place during normal brain function.

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We are organizing a one-day symposium at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, to highlight recent advances in stroke repair strategies. The title of our symposium is “Brain function in health and disease: Insights into stroke recovery”. The general theme of the meeting will be to discuss topics related to minimizing damage following brain injury, and strategies for enhancing post-injury repair and recovery.

Some of the specific topics covered will be: Cellular and network level reorganization post brain injury; Describing the relationship between blood supply and normal brain function; Use of imaging and brain stimulation to evaluate recovery following brain damage.

[Registration](#) to this event is free.

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### **Workshop: How to Write an Effective Animal Care Protocol**

**Date: June 14, 2012; 1:00 – 3:00pm**

Location: UBC Point Grey campus

This free workshop is open to Principal Investigators, Students, Staff and anyone else likely to fill out an animal ethics application. If you've ever wanted to learn or have a refresher on how to write a great Animal Care Protocol, here is your opportunity to learn from some of the Animal Care Committee members. You will learn about the level of detail to include, sections of the application that are commonly omitted or incomplete, and key things the Committee looks for when reviewing protocols.

Please RSVP [roger.chow@ors.ubc.ca](mailto:roger.chow@ors.ubc.ca) if you're interested as space is limited (each session will be limited to approximately 12 attendees).

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### **6th Annual Lorne D. Sullivan Lectureship and Research Day**

**Date: June 19, 2012; 8:00am – 2:30 pm**

Location: Paetzold Health Education Centre Auditorium, Jim Pattison Pavilion South, VGH

The Department of Urologic Sciences presents the 6th Annual Lorne D. Sullivan Lectureship and Research Day. The presentations will begin in the morning in the Paetzold Health Education Centre Auditorium (Jim Pattison Pavilion, Vancouver General Hospital, 899 West 12th Ave, Vancouver) at 0800 hours. An abbreviated program listing the oral and poster presentations is available on the Department's website (hyperlinked above).

To assist us in planning please RSVP to [urology.admin@ubc.ca](mailto:urology.admin@ubc.ca) by June 6 with your full name regarding your attendance at EACH OF THE FOLLOWING: 1. Breakfast prior to the presentations; 2. Morning sessions; 3. Lunch; 4. Afternoon sessions. When you attend any or all of the above, please remember to stop by the registration desk outside the Auditorium to sign in and pick up the complete event brochure and abstract booklet.

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### [VCHRI Trainee Networking Pizza Lunch](#)

**Date: June 20, 2012; 11:00 am – 1:00 pm**

Location: Lecture Hall, Blusson Spinal Cord Centre

All VCHRI Trainees are invited to the Inaugural Trainee Networking Pizza Lunch! This event is being hosted by the trainees at the Immunity and Infection Research Centre. Attending this event can also help you get a travel award. Click [here](#) for more details. Lab mates and supervisors are welcome!

Please RSVP to [research@vch.ca](mailto:research@vch.ca) so that we know how much pizza to order.

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### Event Reminders

Conference: [The Immunology of Diabetes](#) – June 15-19 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/)

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### 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](#)

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### Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities

#### [MD Student Research Opportunity – Dr. Tricia Tang](#)

Dr. Tang is seeking students (MD, graduate or residents) to assist with her research project: *Feasibility of a peer support intervention in diabetes for South Asians living in the Greater Vancouver area*. This study will systematically evaluate a training program in state-of-the-art behavioral change approaches and facilitation skills for peer leaders (PLs) and a peer support model for diabetes self-management education (DSME) and ongoing diabetes self-management support (DSMS) designed for SAs with type 2 diabetes in community-based settings. Please see that project description (hyperlinked above) for additional information. **Note that students must speak Punjabi and have their own transportation to drive to study locations.**

Reminder – [Information for Students Travelling Abroad to Conduct Research/Scholarship Projects](#)

Reminder – [MD Student Research Opportunity – Dr. Richard N. Merchant](#) (see May 18<sup>th</sup> edition)

Reminder – [Clinical Epidemiology Summer Studentship](#) (see April 20<sup>th</sup> edition)

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Reminder - [Cochrane Hypertension Group](#) (April 5<sup>th</sup> 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/](http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/)