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Canadian Association of Gastroenterology Summer Studentships
Deadline: January 31, 2013

The Canadian Association of Gastroenterology (CAG), in collaboration with the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of Canada (CCFC), is pleased to announce the availability of up to fourteen Summer Student Scholarships for Research in Gastroenterology. These scholarships are designed to provide short-term financial support for undergraduate students (including MD students) who wish to obtain introductory training in research in the field of Gastroenterology. The successful candidate will be expected to work full time on a research project under the supervision of a qualified investigator for ~ 4 months (May-August); the stipend is $7,000.
American Physiological Society (APS) Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowships
Deadline: February 2, 2012

The APS Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowships are to support full-time undergraduate students (not MD) with little or no laboratory research experience to work in the laboratory of an established investigator. Applications by students from institutions with few or limited research opportunities are especially encouraged.

The intent of this program is to excite and encourage students to pursue a career as a basic research scientist. Faculty sponsors/advisors must be active members of the APS in good standing. Faculty at all institutions (including UBC) are eligible.

Fellowship funding: $4,000 summer stipend to the student (10 weeks support); $300 grant to the faculty sponsor/advisor; up to $1,300 travel award/reimbursement to the student for attending (and presenting their data if applicable) at the APS annual meeting (Experimental Biology) or an APS Fall Conference. Visit the website (hyperlinked above) for additional details.

American Physiological Society Undergraduate Research Excellence Fellowships
Deadline: February 2, 2012

The Undergraduate Research Excellence Fellowships program funds undergraduate students (not MD) with significant prior laboratory research experience to work for 10 weeks during the summer in the laboratory of an established APS investigator. Each student has his/her own research question to work on during the summer. The intent of this program is to encourage students to pursue a career as a basic research scientist. Visit the website (hyperlinked above) for additional details.

Reminder: So you want to do research this summer...
Deadline: As early as November 2012 for summer 2013 opportunities!

Remember, deadlines for summer research opportunities start as early as mid-November. If you are hoping to participate in a research project this summer start thinking about funding soon. The majority of funding deadlines will occur between January-March.

Funding Reminders
Lal Bahadur Shastri Student Prize – October 15, 2012
Teaching and Learning Enhancement Fund – Call for Proposals – Nov 5, 2012 (see Sept 21 edition)
Parkinson’s Disease Foundation Summer Student Fellowship – Jan 28, 2012
Vanderbilt International Scholar Program – Feb 1, 2012
BC Clinical Genomics Travel Awards – ongoing
For additional funding opportunities visit: http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/

Upcoming Events

**SFU Café Scientifique @ Surrey: Can sugars influence progression of Alzheimer's and other neurogenerative diseases?**
*Date: October 9, 2012; 7:00 – 8:30 pm*
*Location: Surrey City Centre Public Library (10350 University Drive, Surrey, BC); room 120*

Café Scientifique is a series of five informal discussions connecting research to important health-related issues of interest to the community. Enjoy light snacks and refreshments while engaging with cutting-edge, award-winning researchers from Simon Fraser University (SFU) Faculty of Science.

**Speaker:** Dr. David Vocadlo, Department of Chemistry, SFU. Dr. David Vocadlo, Professor of Chemistry at SFU, kicks off our 2012 series by discussing Alzheimer’s Disease, a serious neurodegenerative disease that is increasing in prevalence as we lead longer lives. The root causes of Alzheimer's Disease remain unclear, however, it is known that certain lifestyle practices and conditions increase the risk of developing this disease. Dr. Vocadlo will focus on diabetes as one existing condition that increases risk of Alzheimer's and touch on how lifestyle changes might help reduce the risk of developing Alzheimer's.

These events are free to the public and are supported by the SFU Faculty of Science and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. Please RSVP to cafe_sci@sfu.ca.

**Annual McClintock Lecture: Regulation of neural progenitor competence in Drosophila: the role of subnuclear gene positioning**
*Date: October 11, 2012, 12:30 – 1:30 pm*
*Location: UBC Life Sciences Centre, room LSC 3*

Presented by the Department of Zoology and the Department of Cellular & Physiological Sciences

**Speaker:** Chris Q. Doe, PhD; Institutes of Neuroscience and Molecular Biology; Howard Hughes Medical Institute, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, USA.

**Café Scientifique Victoria: This is your brain on hormones**
*Date: October 16, 2012; 6:30 pm*
*Location: Strathcona Hotel - The Maple Room, Victoria (919 Douglas Street) age 19+ only*

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 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. The health related topics are co-funded by the Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR)

**Speaker:** Dr. Nancy Sherwood, Professor Emerita, Biology Department, University of Victoria Centre for Biomedical Research.

As seats are limited, please contact cfbr@uvic.ca or 250-472-4067 for RSVP or for more information.

**Workshop: Getting Published: Sources and Resources**
**Date:** October 29, 2012; 3:00 – 4:00 pm  
**Location:** UBC Neville Scarfe Building, Rm 155

Want to get an article published? Learn how to find potential journals for your work. Find out about Cabell’s Directory of Publishing Opportunities, Ulrich’s Periodical Directory, Directory of Open Access Journals, and browse UBC online journals and indexes and databases and use Summon to explore articles published in our UBC Library journals. Register by visiting the website (hyperlinked above).

**Use of Opioids in Chronic Pain: Analgesia and misuse**
**Date:** October 29, 2012; 5:30 pm  
**Location:** Diamond Health Centre, Rm 2263; Videoconference available to various locations across the Lower Mainland and throughout the province; see website for locations. Audiobridge also available.

The UBC Faculty of Medicine Department of Anesthesiology, Pharmacology & Therapeutics and The Division of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation is proud to announce *The Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons of Canada McLaughlin-Gallie Visiting Professor Lecture.*

Speaker: Dr. Robert W. Teasell; Professor and Former Chair-Chief, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, University of Western Ontario.

If you are planning to attend in person (at DHCC) please RSVP to katharine.garcia@vch.ca.

**Allies in Health: 4th Annual Community & Patient Fair**
**Date:** October 31, 2012; 10:30 am – 4:30 pm  
**Location:** UBC Life Sciences Centre, west atrium (2350 Health Sciences Mall)

Join us on October 31, 2012 for the 4th Annual Allies in Health: Community and Patient Fair for Health Professional Education. As part of UBC’s Celebrate Learning Week, this free, interprofessional event will be held in the Life Sciences Centre West Atrium, 2350 Health Sciences Mall, from 10:30am-4:30pm. This is an opportunity for UBC health and human service students and faculty to connect with and
learn from community health organizations and individuals living with chronic health conditions. The fair will include patient panels, community exhibits, and prizes.

Panel Presentations include: Experiences of Chronic Health Concerns, Living & Communicating with Aphasia, Experiences of the Health Care System, Barriers to Health Care Communication, Living a Life of Recovery with Mental Illness & Cultural Competence, along with more than 30 Community exhibits.

For more information, please contact Denise Kwan at 604-822-8002 or visit the website (hyperlinked above). **Volunteers needed – email alliesinhealth@gmail.com with your availability**

**Bridging the Gap: Constructions of Curricular Integration in Professions Education**

**Date:** October 31, 2012; 12:00 – 2:00 pm  
**Location:** UBC Michael Smith Labs, MSL 102. Videoconferenced to MDUP sites across the province (see website for details)

In this session, panelists from across the health professions discuss curricular integration as the perceived solution to key issues in professions education. A discussant provides a synthesis of these issues and a perspective from the Faculty of Education. Audience members are invited to engage in a discussion with the presenters and to explore some of the questions that arise as we uncover these issues.

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**3rd Annual Don Rix Distinguished Keynote Address: The Human Genomics Landscape: Bringing Genomic Medicine into Focus**

**Date:** November 1, 2012; 4:00 – 7:00 pm  
**Location:** Vancouver Convention Centre, 1055 Canada Place

Genome British Colombia presents Dr. Eric Green. Dr. Green is the director of the National Human Genome Research Institute base in Bethesda, Maryland. Space is limited so please register in advance by visiting the website (hyperlinked above).

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**Event Reminders**

**CHES Celebration of Scholarship** – October 2, 2012  
**3rd Annual Faculty of Medicine Student Mixer** – October 12, 2012 (see Sept. 7th edition for details)  
**Café Scientifique: Arthritis Management in a Digital World** – October 16, 2012  
**Effective Networking Skills** – October 22, 2012  
**Gairdner Symposium 2012** – October 22, 2012  
**CONFERENCE: Canadian Association of Paediatric Health Centres** – October 28-31, 2012  
**CONFERENCE: 2012 Public Health Association of BC** – November 22-23, 2012  
**CONFERENCE: BC Patient Safety & Quality Council** – February 28-March 1, 2012
CONFERENCE: Canadian Conference on Medical Education – April 20-23, 2012

For additional event listing visit: 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.

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Resources at UBC Library: Simply Map
Can you make a map of wealth distribution in Vancouver in 15 minutes? Marital status? Grocery stores or hospitals? You can with SimplyMap. SimplyMap http://resources.library.ubc.ca/1737 is a web-based mapping application that allows users to quickly create maps and reports from census and business data. This product helps students and faculty visualize and analyze the data without needing to learn complex software packages such as ArcGIS. Within minutes, students can be comparing statistics and creating maps. It also enhances our GIS services, as users can create custom-made census data files readable in GIS software. The product is valuable to many disciplines on campus, from business, economics and political science to health sciences, regional planning, and conservation.

Reminders
Call for Submissions – In Training (Medical Student Online Newspaper)
Research Project seeking assistance – Drs. Goldmand and Sherlock (see Sept 21st edition for details)
Call for Submissions – UBC Medical Journal (UBCMJ) (Deadline October 8, 2012)
New Medical Resources at UBC Library: AnatomyTV, Anatomy and Physiology Online, SMART Imagebase, Dynamed: (see Sept. 7th edition for details)

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/