# **Student Research News e-bulletin**

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**Funding Opportunities and Awards** 

# CHS Summer Studentships in Inherited Bleeding Disorders Research

Deadline: November 15, 2013; \*\*Note application must be mailed\*\*

The Canadian Hemophilia Society (CHS) will provide a stipend of up to \$6,000 to support interested Canadian medical or science students to work for up to 4 months during the summer of 2014 on a research project relevant to inherited bleeding disorders. **Medical students and undergraduate science students** in all years of training who are Canadian citizens or landed immigrants are eligible for this award. For additional information please visit the website (hyperlinked above).

# Reminder: So you want to do research this summer... Deadline: As early as November 2013 for summer 2014 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 sooner rather than later. **The majority of funding deadlines will occur between January-March** so keep this in mind and start investigating opportunities sooner rather than later. If you wait until spring to start looking for funding you may be too late. For additional funding opportunities and tips for finding your own funding opportunities visit the student research website: <u>http://med.ubc.ca/research/students/</u>.

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#### **Funding Reminders**

BC Clinical Genomics Network Travel and Training Awards – ongoing

For additional funding opportunities visit: <a href="http://med.ubc.ca/research/students/funding/">http://med.ubc.ca/research/students/funding/</a>.

# **Upcoming Events**

Drug Harm in Children: How Can We Work Together To Prevent Adverse Drug Reactions Date: September 19, 2013 4:00-5:30 pm

Location: Michael Smith Laboratories (2185 East Mall, UBC)

The National Core for Neuroethics would like to invite all to attend the keynote lecture which forms part of the Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies' Exploratory Workshop Deliberations on the Ethical Use of Antipsychotic Medications in Children.

**Speaker: Dr. Bruce Carleton** Senior Clinician Scientist, CFRI Professor, Dept. of Paediatrics UBC; Director of Pharmacological Outcomes Programme, BC Children's Hospital

This free lecture will be followed by a panel discussion facilitated by Dr. Judy Illes (Professor of Neurology, Canada Research Chair in Neuroethics, National Core for Neuroethics, Div. of Neurology, Faculty of Medicine UBC) presenting different stakeholder perspectives on the topic (parents, clinicians, ethicists, and researchers).

# Café Neuroéthique: Gene Therapy: Hope or Hype?

#### Date: September 24, 2013; 7:30-8:30 pm

Location: Roundhouse Recreation Centre (181 Roundhouse Mews, Vancouver, across from Yaletown Skytrain station)

Interested in the latest developments in science and medicine? Wondering about the ethics of new therapies? Join the National Core for Neuroethics for a friendly, informal conversation about the science and ethics of gene therapy! This free event is open to all.

Speakers:Dr. Elizabeth Simpson, Professor, Department of Medical Genetics<br/>Dr. Colin Ross, Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics<br/>Dr. Judy Illes, Professor, National Core for Neuroethics<br/>and Dr. Julie Robillard, moderator.

Presented by the National Core for Neuroethics, in partnership with Genome BC and CIHR.

# SBN Building Biotech 2013

**Date: September 24, 2013; 6:00-10:00 pm;** \*\*REGISTRATION DEADLINE: September 17, 2013\*\* Location: Pavilion CD at the Sheraton Wall Centre (1088 Burrard Street, Vancouver)

The Student Biotechnology Network (SBN) is delighted to kick off our 2013-2014 season in celebration of National Biotechnology Week with our annual Building Biotech Event. This year, we hope to address key issues evident in the local life sciences industry. Our carefully selected panel of life sciences experts and leaders from Johnson & Johnson, Genome BC and Zymeworks will discuss the current state of life sciences in BC and provide their predictions for the local life sciences industry.

Join other enthusiastic students for round-table mentorship with industry professionals, while gaining insight into the local life sciences industry over a delicious three course dinner. This event is an opportunity to better position yourself for future employment by learning about the landscape of the industry, the economic factors that have influenced recent industry changes and growing areas within life sciences that could use specific skill sets.

Regular rate: \$20 for SBN members and \$30 for non-members. Each ticket includes a three course meal. Business attire. Registration closes September 17th @ midnight

LSI Café Scientifique: Walking the tight-rope between Bleeding and Clotting Date: October 1, 2013; 6:00-8:00 pm; RSVP Deadline September 24, 2013 (see below) Location: Life Sciences Centre, LSC3 (2350 Health Sciences Mall, UBC); click here for webcast.

After a short hiatus, the LSI is resuming its Café Scientifique series and this year's Cafés will have a 'disease' focus and will be aligned with various national and international Disease and other Health Disorder Campaigns. September is International Blood Cancer Awareness Month and thus our next café will be focussed on 'Bleeding and Blood Clotting'.

 Speakers: Dr. Ed Pryzdial: Scientist, Canadian Blood Services; Clinical Professor, Pathology and Laboratory Medicines, UBC; member, Centre for Blood Research, LSI
Dr. Shannon Jackson: Clinical Assistant Professor, Hematology/Bone Marrow Transplant, UBC; Staff Hematologist, PHC.

Drs. Jackson and Pryzdial will tag-team to explain the blood clotting tight-rope, the treatment of perplexing patients dangling on the tight-rope and the development of a new clot-busting medicine. Please see the website (hyperlinked above) for additional information. **Please RSVP** <u>here</u> by Sept 24<sup>th</sup>.

# How to Publish in the Canadian Medical Association Journal

#### Date: October 22, 2013 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Location: Host Site: LSC 1, Life Sciences Centre, UBC. Videoconference: Vancouver: DHCC 1020 LT Vancouver Island: UVic MSB 107 Northern BC: UNBC NHSC 9-370 Interior BC: UBCO RHS 148

#### Speaker: Dr. John Fletcher, Editor-in-Chief of CMAJ

Dr. John Fletcher joined CMAJ in 2008 as Deputy Editor, Research. In January 2012, he was appointed Editor-in-Chief of CMAJ. He has an academic affiliation at the Department of Family Medicine at the University of Ottawa where he is an Assistant Professor. Before leaving the United Kingdom, he had been the Primary Care Editor and later the Clinical Epidemiologist at the British Medical Journal and practised as a family doctor in his home town. Dr. Fletcher's medical degree is from the University of Cambridge, England, and his early career was in general practice in the west of England. He moved to Oxford to study public health in 1991, worked in the University Department of Public Health and Primary Care for six years and took a Masters at Harvard in 1998.

**RSVP to Carolyn Rogers at <u>carolyn.rogers@ubc.ca</u> with you name and location and indicate that you <b>are a student.** Use the subject line RSVP: CMAJ Talk or similar.

Dr. Fletcher is also available for one-on-one meetings after his presentation. Interested? Contact Carolyn Rogers at <u>carolyn.rogers@ubc.ca</u>.

#### **Event Reminders**

CONFERENCE: 2013 CHES Celebration of Scholarship – REGISTRATION: Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>; Event: Oct. 17, 2013 9th Annual Michael Smith Distinguished Research Lecture – Sept. 16, 2013 SFU Café Scientifique – Sept. 18, 2013 C2E2 Lecture: Engaging patients & citizens in research and health care decision making – Sept. 19, 2013 U Vic CBR Café Scientifique – Let's Talk About Concussions – Sept. 24, 2013 Genome BC 4th Annual Donald Rix Distinguished Keynote – Sept. 30, 2013 UBC Animal Care Committee: Drop-in Session Office Hours – Oct. 15, 2013 CONFERENCE: Quality Forum 2014 – Feb. 27-28, 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/.

# **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**

This well established seminar series is aimed at illustrating the relationship that exists between clinical practice and medical research. The meetings offer a casual and relaxed atmosphere to profile individuals who have successfully combined both clinical and research aspects into their medical careers. In addition to talking about their active research, the invited speakers also talk about their experiences, discuss their background and training, share their advice for prospective clinician-scientists. Following the presentation, the remainder of the session will be devoted to a question and answer period. This audience driven discussion will explore how research can be incorporated into one's medical career. All faculty, clinical investigator trainees and students in the Faculty of Medicine are invited.

#### Date: October 7, 2013, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Location: Latham Hall, Medical Student Alumni Centre, (12th Avenue & Heather Street, Vancouver) Videoconference: Victoria: MSB 107, Kelowna: KGH CAC 250. Phone in = 1-877-792-2770 (Meeting ID # 30301).

# Invited speaker: Dr. Lynn Raymond, Director, MD/PhD Program, UBC Combining neurology practice with basic neuroscience research: Huntington disease as a model

Dr. Raymond is a Professor in the UBC Department of Psychiatry and Brain Research Centre, and an Associate member of the Department of Medicine, Division of Neurology. The Raymond lab is interested in molecular mechanisms underlying synaptic dysfunction and selective neuronal vulnerability in neurodegenerative disease. The focus is on the role of altered NMDA-type glutamate receptor signalling in striatal and cortical neurons, especially in mouse models of Huntington disease.

# Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources

# UBC Medical Journal – seeking submissions

Just a reminder that the submission deadline for our upcoming Spring 2014 issue is Friday, October 7th 2013 at 11:59pm. The theme of the issue is *Digital Medicine and Social Media*, so submissions on this topic would be particularly relevant. However, it should be noted that 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!

Submission genres include Academic Research, Reviews, Commentaries, News and Letters, Global Health, and Case and Elective Reports.

For further information regarding submissions processes please visit the UBCMJ website (hyperlinked above).

# Free Statistical Consultation -- UBC Department of Statistics

As in past years, free statistical consultation will be available to UBC researchers this fall term, from graduate students enrolled in our practicum course STAT 551 (Statistical Consulting). Students in this course have already completed STAT 550 (Techniques of Statistical Consulting), and will be carrying out this academic activity under faculty supervision.

Research projects primarily requiring advice on appropriate designs and methods of statistical analysis are ideally suited for STAT 551. To allow each 551 student to be exposed to several projects, the total time spent on each project has to be limited. Thus, smaller projects are particularly suitable. Students will provide at most 2 to 4 hours of "face-to-face" consultation on a given project but will also provide a written report containing detailed advice and recommendations.

Please visit the website (hyperlinked above) for additional information on project eligibility and application procedures

### Reminders

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