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Funding Opportunities and Awards

Lal Bahadur Shastri Student Prize
Deadline: October 15, 2012; 3:30 pm PST

The Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute is seeking applications from graduate and undergraduate students for the best papers on India in Canada. Entries are invited on any topic with specific relevance to India-Canada relations including environment, history, law, literature, international Trade, politics, philosophy, India-Canada economic development, social studies, humanities, science or women's studies. Six prizes of $500 will be awarded, two for each category: Best Undergraduate Paper; Best Graduate Paper; Best French Paper. Visit the website (hyperlinked above) for additional information.
**Parkinson’s Disease Foundation Summer Student Fellowship**
**Deadline: January 28, 2012**

PDF’s Summer Fellowship Program supports domestic and international undergraduate (MD and non-MD) and graduate students in their pursuit of Parkinson's-related summer research projects. The goal of the Summer Fellowship is to cultivate an early interest in Fellows into the cause and possible treatments for Parkinson's disease. Typically, summer fellowships are offered for 10 weeks of clinical or laboratory work with an award of $3,000. For additional information on eligibility and application instructions visit the website (hyperlinked above).

**Vanderbilt International Scholar Program**
**Deadline: February 1, 2013**

The Vanderbilt International Scholar Program (VISP) is designed to recruit outstanding international students into Vanderbilt’s Biomedical Research programs. Undergraduate students considering careers in biomedical research and looking for additional research experience can apply for the Vanderbilt International Summer Research Academy (VISRA). The Vanderbilt International Summer Research Academy has participants conduct a research project during the summer under the supervision of a Vanderbilt faculty scientist. Applications for Summer 2013 will open on September 17, 2012.

**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**
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

CONFERENCE: 2012 Public Health Association of BC Conference – Call for Abstracts
Date: Abstract Deadline: extended to September 14, 2012; Event: November 22-23, 2012
Location: Metrotown Hilton, Burnaby BC

The Public Health Association of British Columbia (PHABC) is planning a conference to explore ongoing efforts to align the broad goals of a population-based public health framework with the development of a primary health care-led health system: *Reorienting Health Services: Aligning Primary Health Care and Public Health in Pursuit of Health for All*. As a result of multiple inquiries we are extending the abstract deadline until September 14, 2012. Please visit our website (hyperlinked above) to view details on the call for abstracts.

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Health research using linked data: the Welsh model and current research
Date: September 17, 2012; 12:00 pm
Location: Room B152; 2206 East Mall, UBC

*Population Data BC* would like to invite you to a seminar by David Ford, co-Lead of the Health Informatics Research Unit (HIRU) for Wales. This unit has quickly established itself internationally as one of the most successful data centres in terms of breadth of data sources, speed of access, and collaboration with policy makers. The Secure Anonymised Information Linkage (SAIL) databank has been established to link together the widest possible range of health-related, individual-level data of the people of Wales to create a powerful infrastructure capable of supporting a wide range of research. The seminar will provide an overview of SAIL and the way in which researchers may access SAIL. It will also provide some examples of current research undertaken by the Health Information Research Unit. To attend, please RSVP to Todd Lane todd.lane@popdata.bc.ca.

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Pulmonary gas exchange and lung mechanics in elite Kenyan runners
Date: September 17, 2012; 4:30 – 5:30 pm
Location: Biological Sciences 2200, UBC

As part of the *Comparative Physiology Invited Speaker Series*, Dr. Bill Sheel, Professor, UBC School of Kinesiology, Human Kinetics will give a lecture on his research program.
**Providence Health Care Public Forums. Let’s Talk About Palliative Care: Achieving the best quality of life while living with chronic illness**

**Date:** September 19, 2012; 7:00 – 9:00 pm  
**Location:** Lecture Theatre, Level 1, Providence Bldg (map)

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. These forums are open to the public and the registration is free. To view a listing of future forum topics, click here.

Intended for anyone who has been affected by a chronic illness, those who are at risk, and those who just want to know how to achieve the best quality of life while living with a chronic illness. The presentation will focus on the multidisciplinary approach to meeting the physical, psychological and spiritual needs of the affected person and their family in order to live as well as they can for as long as they can. Speakers: Romayne Gallagher MD, CCFP; Head, Division of Palliative Care and Members of the Palliative Outreach and Consult Team; Providence Health Care.

To register email your name and contact information to ownyourhealth@providencehealth.bc.ca or call 604-806-8495.

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**CONFERENCE: Western Society for Pediatric Research (WSPR) – Call for Abstracts**

**Date: Abstract Deadline:** October 1, 2012; **Event:** January 24-26, 2013  
**Location:** Carmel, California

The Carmel American Federation for Medical Research (AFMR) Scholars Program at the Western Regional Meetings in Carmel was created ten years ago to honor the academic contribution of junior physician scientists. Scholars who submit an abstract and receive a high score will present in a subspecialty session. We strongly encourage Fellows/Jr. Faculty to submit abstracts to the 2013 meeting. This 2.5-day meeting allows plenty of opportunities for trainees and junior faculty to both present their research and interact with many other like-minded Pediatric Academics from centers throughout the West.

Dr. Allison Eddy has been invited to give the Stanley Wright Memorial Keynote for the WSPR at this meeting.

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**3rd Annual Faculty of Medicine Student Mixer**

**Date:** October 12, 2012; 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm  
**Location:** UBC Life Sciences Centre atrium

All students and research trainees in the Faculty of Medicine (FoM) are invited to the annual student mixer to celebrate the depth and breadth of the FoM education and research programs and mingle.
with program leaders, researchers, other students/trainees and community partners. Refreshments and door prizes will be available. Please note that student ID is required.

**Gairdner Symposium 2012**

**Date:** October 22, 2012; 4:00 – 6:00 pm  
**Location:** UBC Life Sciences Centre, LSC 2 (2350 Health Sciences Mall)

Join us on October 22, 2012 for an inspiring session hosted by CMMT Director Dr. Michael Hayden with two prominent scientists and Canada Gairdner Award Recipients:

**Dr. William Kaelin,** M.D: 2010 Canada Gairdner International Award Recipient; Investigator, Howard Hughes Medical Institute; Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Associate Director, Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center

**Dr. Jeffrey Ravetch,** M.D., Ph.D : 2012 Canada Gairdner International Award Recipient; Head, Leonard Wagner Laboratory of Molecular Genetics and Immunology, Rockefeller University

**CONFERENCE: BC Injury Prevention Conference – Call for Abstracts**

**Date:** Abstract Deadline: November 15, 2012; **Event:** March 4-6, 2012  
**Location:** Coast Plaza Hotel & Suites, Vancouver

This conference brings together researchers and injury prevention stakeholders from across Canada, to share their expertise, knowledge, research and programming initiatives. Abstracts are invited on current, on-going injury research and programs, summaries of completed work, methodological or theoretical issues in injury prevention, and/or educational and dissemination practices.

**Event Reminders**

**Canadian Conference on Medical Education** – Abstract Deadline: Sept. 10th; Event: April 20-23, 2012

**Saving Publicly Funded Health Care: The Role of Economics** – September 14, 2012, 3:30 pm  
**Note new location:** VGH Paetzold Lecture Hall, Jim Pattison Pavilion North (1887-855 W 12th Ave)

**Priorities 2012 Conference** – September 16-19 2012


**CHES Celebration of Scholarship** – October 2, 2012

**Canadian Association of Paediatric Health Centres (CAPHC) Conference** – October 28-31, 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 – starts up again Monday November, 5 2012

Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities and Resources

New Medical Resources at UBC Library

UBC Library, in partnership with eHLbc, has acquired two 3D interactive tools from Primal Pictures via OvidSP – AnatomyTV and Anatomy and Physiology Online. These are useful for teaching, learning, and in the clinical setting, for diagnosis and patient education. More information about the resources and links to access the tools are available online.

In addition, the UBC Library is considering the following two new resources:

SMART Imagebase: A comprehensive collection of downloadable medical illustrations and animations, illustrations, animations, and interactive multimedia for 26 body systems/regions and 19 medical specialties. Trial end date: Sept. 15, 2012

Dynamed: A clinical reference tool created by physicians for physicians and other health care professionals for use at the point-of-care. Features clinically-organized summaries for more than 3,200 topics. Trial end date: Nov. 30, 2012

Please provide feedback about the resources under consideration via the forms available at the above links.

Reminder - Call for Submissions – UBC Medical Journal (UBCMJ) (Deadline October 8, 2012)

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/