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## Funding Opportunities and Awards

### [Have a Heart Bursary Program](#)

**Deadline: May 1, 2019**

The Have a Heart Bursary Program is for **medical students** interested in cardiovascular sciences. Awardees are invited to participate in the annual Canadian Cardiovascular Congress (CCC) which draws physicians, researchers, trainees, and other cardiovascular professionals from around the globe. Awardees will receive roundtrip air or ground travel to Vancouver to attend the CCC on Oct 20-23, 2018, up to 4 nights of hotel accommodation in Vancouver, and complementary registration to the CCC 2017. **Please note that you must create an account in order to apply.** Visit the website for more information.

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## Funding Reminders

[Canadian Liver Foundation Summer Studentship](#) – March 31, 2019

[UBC Centre for Blood Research Summer Studentship Program](#) – GA: April 1, 2019; Without PI or PDF: March 15, 2019

[Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation Pediatric Oncology Student Training Program](#) - April 1, 2019 or up to 50 applications approved

[Child Neurology Foundation Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Summer Research Scholarship](#) – April 14, 2019

[BC Children's Hospital Research Institute Summer Student Research Program](#) – May 15, 2019

[Mitacs Globalink Research Awards](#) – ongoing, for summer 2019 submit before Jan 31, 2018

For additional funding opportunities visit: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/funding/>.

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## Upcoming Events

### [Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Discussion Group: Tamiza Nanji – PhD Exit Seminar](#)

**March 18, 2019, 3:00-4:00PM**

Location: UBC Point Grey Campus, Life Sciences Centre 3

The discussion group allows for an opportunity to gain insight into the current research being done in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology as well as network and ask questions to experienced researchers. Speaker, Tamiza Nanji, will discuss her research on macroautophagy, often referred to as autophagy, a non-selective degradation mechanism used by eukaryotic cells to recycle cytoplasmic material and maintain homeostasis. Host: Dr. Calvin Yip.

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### [SEMINAR SERIES: Centre for Blood Research: “Macrophage miR-21, Yin Yang in Cancer and Atherosclerosis”](#)

**March 20, 2019, 12:00-1:00PM**

Location: UBC Point Grey Campus, Life Sciences Centre 3

The Centre Blood Research invites you to learn about **Dr. Yajaira Suarez** (Associate Professor, Department of Comparative Medicine, Yale University School of Medicine) current research on atherosclerosis and cancer, and possible treatments for both diseases. For more information visit the website hyperlinked above.

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**[SEMINAR: WiP: “Co-research with patient and family partners in a social robot study to improve dementia care”](#)**  
**March 27, 2019, 12:00-1:00PM**

Location: Hurlburt Auditorium, St. Paul's Hospital, 1081 Burrard Street

The Centre for Health Evaluation and Outcome Sciences (CHÉOS) invites you to their Work in Progress Seminar (WiP), led by **Dr. Lillian Hung**, PhD, RN; Research Associate, CHÉOS; Clinical Assistant Professor, School of Nursing, Faculty of Applied Science, UBC; Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Gerontology, SFU. Dr. Hung's will discuss her current research which focuses on family and patient engagement in geriatric treatment as well as the effects of that engagement on the health outcome for the patients. For more information visit the website hyperlinked above.

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**[Friesen Prize Lecture: Dr. David Naylor](#)**

**April 9, 2019, 4:00-5:00PM**

Location: Jack Poole Hall, Robert H. Lee Alumni Centre

The Friesen Prize Lecture, hosted by President Santa J. Ono, will feature a talk by the recipient of the 2018 Henry G. Friesen International Prize in Health Research: **Dr. David Naylor**, OC, MD, DPhil, FRCPC, FRSC, FCAHS Emeritus President, University of Toronto.

The Friesen Prize, established in 2005 by the Friends of Canadian Institutes of Health Research (FCIHR) recognizes exceptional innovation by a visionary health leader of international stature. One of Canada's most preeminent health scientists, Dr. Naylor has made major scholarly and policy contributions with a profound influence on health service delivery, public health, and health research funding. See the hyperlink above for more information or to RSVP.

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For additional event listing visit: <http://www.med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/stay-connected/>.

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**Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources**

**[Volunteer Summer Research Opportunity: Use of Nabilone in Palliative Care](#)**

This is an opportunity to work on a clinical research project on the use of nabilone (a synthetic THC) in patients in long term care with a family doctor in Kelowna who attends residential care facilities.

This project is most suitable for **medical students and family medicine residents**; however those with an interest in statistics would be most welcome to contribute to the study design.

This study will be composed of two parts:

- Part 1 involves a literature review, chart review of ~12 patients and writing up a report for publication.
- Part 2 aims to design a protocol for a randomized placebo-controlled controlled clinical trial of nabilone in long term care, and help the physician to apply for a grant, get ethics approval and carry out the study.

This is a volunteer position and the expected time commitment is flexible and there are no deadlines. No prior experience is required, but familiarity with clinical research processes would be helpful. Interested students should contact Dr. Pippa Hawley (Head, Division of Palliative Care, UBC, [hawleyp@mail.ubc.ca](mailto:hawleyp@mail.ubc.ca)) with their summary of related experience, a cover letter explaining what they feel they could contribute, and their availability.

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**Reminders**

[Call for Abstracts: 2019 Norman Bethune Symposium](#) – March 18, 2019

[UBC Library Resources](#)

[Otolaryngology/ENT Medical Student Interest Group](#)

Find additional information and resources on the Student Research website: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/>.