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Charles Hollenberg Summer Studentship Program 2019
Deadline: Jan 17, 2019, 4pm

The Charles Hollenberg Summer Studentship Program is offering 14 summer studentships to undergraduate and medical students to carry out summer research in diabetes under the supervision of a member of the Banting and Best Diabetes Centre. The goal of this program is to introduce students to the field of diabetes research and to encourage research in diabetes and its complications as a career. Check the website for application guidelines.

A stipend of $5,880 will be offered to successful applicants. Note that the Banting and Best Diabetes Centre will provide $2,940 and a minimum of $2,940 must be provided by the supervisor. Students are required to work full-time for a minimum of 12 weeks between May 1 and August 31. Students and supervisors must participate in the Summer Studentship Program which consists of a weekly Seminar Series throughout June. Application details are available via the hyperlink above.

Canadian Foundation for Infectious Diseases AMMI Canada Medical Student Research Award
Deadline: Jan 21, 2019

The Canadian Foundation for Infectious Diseases (CFID) AMMI Canada Medical Student Research provides support for medical students who are interested in research in infectious diseases and microbiology. Applicants must be enrolled in an undergraduate medical program in a Canadian university and be in good standing. The student’s research supervisor must also be a member in good standing of the Association of Medical Microbiology and Infectious Disease (AMMI) Canada, and the research area must be relevant to the diagnosis, treatment, or prevention of infectious diseases.

Successful applicants will receive an award of $5,000 for an 8-10 week research term that is performed consecutively over the summer, or intermittently over the course of one academic year. The awardee is required to submit a summary report within 4 weeks of the end of their project for publication on the AMMI Canada and CFID websites. Awardees are also encouraged to submit an abstract for a poster or oral presentation on their work to the annual AMMI Canada – CACMID Conference. Application details are available via the hyperlink above.

Canadian Foundation for Infectious Diseases Undergraduate Summer Research Grant
Deadline: Jan 21, 2019

The Canadian Foundation for Infectious Diseases (CFID) Undergraduate Summer Research Awards are open to undergraduate students who intend to research areas relevant to the diagnosis, treatment, or prevention of infectious diseases. Students are required to have a minimum GPA of B+ (3.33 or 76%) and be in 2nd year or higher.

Each award will be funded for $5,000 for a 12-13 week research term, either as a summer research project, an elective research term, or a co-op work term. Awardees are required to submit a summary report within 4 weeks after the completion of their project, and are encouraged to submit a paper or oral presentation at the AMMI Canada – CACMID annual Conference. Application details are available via the hyperlink above.

Funding Reminders

CHS Summer Studentships in Inherited Bleeding Disorders Research – Nov 15, 2019
Parkinson’s Foundation Summer Student Fellowship – Dec 2, 2019
ASH Minority Medical Student Award Program – REQUEST A MENTOR: Nov 15, 2019; APPLICATION: Jan 15, 2020
ASH Physician-Scientist Career Development Award – Jan 15, 2020
3M National Student Fellowship – Jan 31, 2020
For additional funding opportunities visit: http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/funding/.

Upcoming Events

**Building Biotech 2019**
**Date:** Nov 12, 2019, 6:00-10:00pm
**Location:** Coast Coal Harbour Hotel, 1180 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC.

The SBN Building Biotech is an annual event that allows BC Biotech and Life Sciences students, researchers and industry leaders to network. This annual event continues to attract and unite 100+ students every year, along with professionals from the life sciences, pharmaceutical and clinical sectors among many others. The result is a gathering of students and professionals, eager to share ideas and forge a strong biotech community that will help shape BC’s biotech future. Meet and dine with the movers and shakers of some of the hottest areas in the global and biotech sphere. This event will include formal networking with students from different backgrounds and industry mentors and a three-course dinner with a vegetarian option. **Tickets are available via the hyperlink above.**

**SEMINAR SERIES:** Women’s Health Seminar Series – What can Fruit Flies tell us about the Sex-specific Control of Fat Metabolism?
**Date:** Nov 4, 2019, 12:00pm-1:00pm
**Location:** Rudy North Lecture Theatre at the Djavad Mowafaghian Centre for Brain Health, UBC. Or via video conference

The Women’s Health Seminar Series features multidisciplinary research on women’s health. The goal of the series is to provide multidisciplinary training and mentorship for trainees, across a broad range of women’s health research topics. Speakers will present their research regarding the biological, psychological, behavioural, economic and social factors in women’s health and their effects on women’s health outcomes. **Please RSVP via the hyperlink above.** For questions or videoconference details please contact Ama Kyeremeh at womenshealth.res@ubc.ca. This week’s speaker is Dr. Elizabeth Rideout, Professor in the Department of Cellular and Physiological Sciences at UBC, and Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research Scholar.

**LFS Research Café featuring Assistant Professor Barbara Stefanska**
**Date:** Nov 6, 2019, 12:00-12:50pm
**Location:** Life Sciences Institute, room 1003, 2350 Health Sciences Mall

Dr. Stefanska will discuss some of her research findings in a presentation titled “Eating the right foods to prevent disease: how your diet impacts DNA and gene functioning, and the link to long-term health outcomes.” Everyone is welcome! **RSVP for this session via the hyperlink above.**

Event Reminders

**VCHRI Commercialization Speaker Series: Dr. Patrick McNees** – Nov 7, 2019, 11:00am-12:00pm
**Earl W Davie Research Symposium** – REGISTRATION CLOSED; EVENT: Nov 13, 2019
**C2E2 2019 Annual Lecture** – Nov 14, 2019, 3:00-4:30pm
**CONFERENCE:** Rural Conference Sponsorship Opportunities – DEADLINE: Dec 31, 2019,
SRPC’s Rural & Remote Medicine Conference – April 23-25, 2020 in Ottawa, ON
**CONFERENCE:** Western Student and Resident Medical Research Forum – Jan 23-25, 2020
For additional event listing visit: [http://www.med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/stay-connected/](http://www.med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/stay-connected/)
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All studies that make use of an agency’s resources (e.g. space, people, mailing lists, etc.), or occur at its facilities, require operational approval (aka institutional approval) from that agency. This is a separate and distinct approval from the ethics approval process (which you may need for your study as well). For example, FoM studies occurring at a Health Authority site, contacting patients, or even just posting study recruitment posters on a hospital bulletin board, require an operational approval from the appropriate Health Authority. Most external agencies and community groups will have similar internal approval requirements for studies that involve their space, clients, or other resources. Each agency or Health Authority has its own processes and requirements and it is the Principal Investigator’s responsibility to ensure they understand and have received all necessary approvals for their project. Visit our student research website (hyperlinked above) for more info on operational approvals, including links to procedures and requirements for BC’s Health Authorities.

New Collaborations Program
Deadline: November 15, 2019

The Scientific Collaboration Support Program, financed by the France-Canada Research Fund (FCRF), aims to support developing new expert partnerships between France and Canada by promoting researcher mobility, particularly for young researchers, and students. This program provides financing for new scientific projects jointly developed by French and Canadian teams that have never worked together before. Submitted proposals must be joint projects between a French institution and one of the 20 FCRF’s Canadian member universities. The financing is awarded to two-year projects in amounts ranging from $8,000 to $15,000, according to the needs expressed by the principal investigators. The financing is primarily intended to support the mobility of researchers and their students and is open to all research fields. Further application information is available via the hyperlink above.

Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference
Applications open: Nov 19, 2019-Jan 19, 2020
Date: March 21, 2020, 8:00AM-6:30pm

Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference (MURC) is a conference for UBC undergraduate students to showcase their research in front of their fellow UBC students, family, and friends. You may choose one of two formats to showcase your research: 10-minute oral presentation or poster presentation. Do you have a research project that you’re working on that you’d like to present? Then the UBC MURC may be for you!

Any UBC undergraduate student who is participating in, or has completed, their own Faculty-supervised research project can apply to present at MURC. All Faculties and Schools are welcome. More information and application procedures are available via the hyperlink above.

Reminders
Health Talks Student Contest – DEADLINE: Nov 12, 2019; EVENT: Feb 25, 2020
Find additional information and resources on the Student Research website: http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/.