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### **New Funding Opportunities:**

# **UBC Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences Summer Student Research Program**

Deadline: 15-Feb-24 Amount: up to \$10,000

The Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences Summer Student Research Program (SSRP) provides undergraduate students with the opportunity to complete a paid work term during the summer terms conducting research with faculty supervision. Over the course of the program, students will work within a research team and present a poster of their activities at the SSRP Poster competition, held at the start of a new academic year.

# American Osler Society William B. Bean Research Award

Deadline: 1-Mar-24

## Amount: \$1,500 student stipend plus up to \$2,500 travel expenses

The American Osler Society's William B. Bean Student Research Award supports research in medical history and/or medical humanities for medical students registered at an accredited US or Canadian school of medicine. Students must identify a supervisor in their application. A stipend of \$1,500 will be offered to the student, with a possible addition of up to \$2,500 to support travel to the annual meeting to present their research. Visit the website for more information on application guidelines.

## **UBC Centre for Blood Research Summer Studentship Program**

Deadline: 10-Mar-24

Amount: \$6,000 from CBR & \$3,500 + benefits from PI

Are you an undergraduate or medical student looking for summer research experience? The Centre for Blood Research Summer Studentship Program provides students with an opportunity to get hands-on research experience during the summer months and to present their research at <u>Research Day</u>. This program also enhances the summer students' learning with research skills workshops, career development events, and complementary social events.

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Child Neurology Foundation Neurodevelopment Disabilities Summer Research Scholarship

Deadline: 17-Mar-24 Amount: \$3,500

The Child Neurology Foundation is offering one summer clinical research scholarship for a first- or second-year MD student at a US or Canadian university interested in the field of neurodevelopmental disabilities (NDD) in children. The successful applicant will receive a scholarship of \$3,500 to support a summer research project under the mentorship of a child neurology/NDD specialist. Please visit the website for more information.

## **Funding Reminders:**

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20-Jan-24	Endocrine Society Research Experience for Graduate and Medical Students			
26-Jan-24	2024 Brain Tumour Research Studentship Grant			
26-Jan-24	BC Children's Hospital Research Institute Summer Studentship			
1-Feb-24	Society for Vascular Surgery Student Research Fellowship			
2-Feb-24	The Eye Foundation of Canada Summer Scholarship (Toronto)			
9-Feb-24	Canadian Society for the History of Medicine Hannah Summer Studentship			
15-Feb-24	UBC FoM Summer Student Research Program (SSRP)			
20-Feb-24	Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation Pediatric Oncology Student Training (POST) Program			

#### **Events**

## **Upcoming Events:**

## 8-Feb-24 3:30pm-7:00pm (In-Person and Online)

# The Human Trial Documentary Screening

Join us for a viewing of the documentary, "The Human Trial". Hosted by Vancouver Coastal Health Research Institute, in partnership with Clinical Trials BC, part of Michael Smith Health Research BC, this event aims to increase awareness among the health research community around the complex considerations of conducting first-in-human clinical trials. The film focuses on two patients as they undergo the first year of a clinical trial; and showcases how scientists and patients work together to test a possible cure for diabetes. There will be a live panel discussion with clinical trial leaders following the film screening. Panelists will answer key questions raised in the film and offer diverse perspectives about clinical trials. Light snacks and beverages will be provided.

Click link above to register.

## 8-Feb-24 6:00pm-8:30pm (Hybrid; BC Children's Hospital or Online)

## **Women in Science**

Join us as we celebrate the upcoming International Day of Women and Girls in Science. Our Women in Science evening strives to empower the community and promote an equitable and inclusive learning environment. People of all genders are welcome and encouraged to participate. At BCCHR, we understand that an intersectional lens is needed when discussing women's experiences in science as 'woman' is not a universal experience that transcends other components of identity. It is a broad experience that includes those socialized as women who identify as women, those socialized as women who do not

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identify as women, and those who were not socialized as women but identify as women. Additionally, that experience is further made unique depending on race and/or ethnicity, class, religion, sexual and/or romantic identity, disability, etc.

Click link above to register.

## 21-22-Feb-24 12:00pm-4:00pm (Online)

### 2024 N2 Annual Conference

The N2 annual conference builds on its **15+ year foundation, providing a community-informed, pan-Canadian intersectoral event for the clinical research community.** Year after year, N2 brings together new and returning researchers and provides opportunities for clinical researchers within the health system, academia, and industry to learn, connect, discuss, and collaborate.

The 2024 Conference will be held on a virtual platform only. The theme for the 2024 N2 Annual Conference is Collaborating for a More Inclusive Clinical Research Future, with featured topics and presentations from:

- Health Canada representatives
- Paddi O'Hara Lecture Award Presentation
- Keynote presentation and honouring of Karen Arts
- Implications of AI on clinical research
- Challenges and opportunities at smaller sites
- Practical advice on being inclusive in clinical research

Networking sessions will be held before and after the main program each day.

Click link above to register.

## 28-Feb-24 8:00am-6:30pm (Vancouver Convention Centre West)

## Life Sciences BC - Action to Innovation: Powering Life Sciences Innovation and Sustainable Economic Growth

Join us for our 9th Annual Access to Innovation conference on February 28, 2024, at the picturesque Vancouver Convention Centre West. This premier full-day gathering welcomes life sciences leaders and trailblazers from academia, research, health institutions, government, and industry to engage in insightful discussions on the ever-evolving trends, developments, and policies shaping British Columbia's thriving sector. BC's world-class scientific research drives health innovation and catalyzes provincial economic growth, enhancing the well-being of British Columbians. Our sector leaders are collaborating to secure a thriving and sustainable future for all through globally sought-after health solutions, including innovations at the intersection between human health and climate change. This year's programming focuses on the theme "Powering Life Sciences Innovation and Sustainable Economic Growth." Stakeholders across the sector will engage in dynamic, multifaceted presentations, and discussions to enhance collective knowledge that enables sector advancement. We invite you to join the conversation!

Click link above to register.

## **Ongoing Events:**

Date	Time	Where	Seminar	Affiliation
Mondays	9:00- 10:00am	Virtual	Women's Health Seminar Series	Women's Health Research Cluster
Wednesdays	4:00- 5:00pm	Biosci room 4223	Evening Comparative Physiology Seminar	Department of Zoology

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Wednesdays	12:00- 1:00pm	2212 Main Mall	Biodiversity Research Seminar Series	Biodiversity Research Centre
Fridays	11:00am- 12:00pm	Hybrid	Neuroscience Research Colloquium	Djavad Mowafaghian Centre for Brain Health
Fridays	12:00- 1:00pm	Beaty Museum Auditorium	Comparative Physiology Invited Speaker Seminar	Department of Zoology

## **Other Research Opportunities**

#### **New Announcements:**

## 25-Jan-24 10:00am (Online)

# Webinar - Safe behind the wheel? Using innovations in clinical epidemiology to inform decisions about fitness to drive

Doctors are often asked to make decisions about patients' medical fitness to drive. Medical driving restrictions can improve road safety but are known to have substantial social, occupational, and quality-of-life consequences for the individuals who must cease driving. To date, very few empirical data have informed clinical fitness-to-drive guidelines.

In this webinar, Dr. Staples will discuss recent research from his lab that uses a unique set of linked administrative health and driving data to generate evidence to inform clinical fitness-to-drive decisions. The talk will highlight study designs with broad application to injury prevention research, including cohort, case-crossover, and responsibility studies. He will focus on fitness-to-drive decisions for individuals with high-priority conditions including schizophrenia, syncope, and recent cardiac defibrillator implantation.

#### **Presented by:**

Dr John A Staples, MD MPH FRCPC FACP Health Professional-Investigator, Michael Smith Health Research BC Clinical Associate Professor, University of British Columbia General Internal Medicine, Vancouver General Hospital

Click link above to register.

### **Announcement Reminders:**

## **Nis Schmidt History of Surgery Prize**

We are delighted to invite paper submissions on the History of Surgery from trainees for the Nis Schmidt History of Surgery Prize.

Dr. Schmidt is a UBC Department of Surgery Clinical Professor Emeritus who has generously endowed an award to stimulate interest and documentation in the history of surgery. A monetary prize is awarded annually to a trainee in the Department of Surgery for the best publishable grade paper on the subject of surgical history. The paper can address a topic of local, national or international interest in any field of surgery - biographical, developmental, clinical, technical, educational and ethical and is open to undergraduate medical students and residents in any surgical discipline. The winning paper will be presented at the Department of Surgery Grand Rounds on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

See: <a href="http://surgery.med.ubc.ca/about/awards/">http://surgery.med.ubc.ca/about/awards/</a> for information on past winners.

Please forward your submissions to <u>valeria.kolesova@ubc.ca</u> before **February 1st, 2024**.

Please email <u>valeria.kolesova@ubc.ca</u> if you have any questions about the award.

**CAS Medical Student Essay Contest 2024** 

Deadline: 1-Feb-24

Amount: Ranges from \$250 to \$1,000

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The purpose of this essay competition is to increase Undergraduate Medical Student's awareness of the specialty of Anesthesiology and the role of Anesthesiologists in modern healthcare. Prizes range from \$250-\$1000.

## Eligibility:

The applicant must be a full-time medical student in any Canadian medical school.

#### Essay:

- 1000-1500 from the topics listed below.
- Submit in electronic format (Word, not PDF), to your local Canadian University Anesthesiology Coordinator, via email.
- Please indicate your name, university, and email address.
- Deadline for Submission: Feb 1, 2024

#### **Essay Topics:**

- The anesthesiologists' role in the modern medical school curriculum
- Anesthesiologists as leaders in patient safety
- Anesthesia and humanistic medicine
- The contribution of anesthesiology to research in medicine
- The use of anesthesia simulator for anesthesiology teaching: future uses
- The anesthesiologists as the perioperative physician
- A topic related to the history of Canadian Anesthesiology
- Professionalism in medicine
- Anesthesiology's contribution to pain management
- Other topics that are suitable to be cleared by your local undergraduate education supervisor

### Prizes:

- 1st Price: \$1,000, complimentary registration to the 2024 CAS Annual Meeting, and essay to be published in Anesthesia News, the newsletter of the Canadian Anesthesiologists' Society
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$500
  3<sup>rd</sup> Price: \$250

Essays can be submitted to: anaeugprg.assist@ubc.ca