**Current Funding Opportunities Weekly Update**  
(May 5, 2017)

*Note: This is a weekly brief that will be distributed to Faculties and Centres at the University of Manitoba about new funding opportunities and other funding agency news items as appropriate. This replaces the single item notices you previously received from our office on grant information. While we continue to work on effective means to communicate information to researchers within our University community, we welcome your comments.*

**TRI-COUNCIL AGENCIES:**

**CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH (CIHR):**

- To get more CIHR news, please follow our CIHR University Delegate, Dr. Yvonne Myal. To subscribe to her CIHR University Delegate email list-serve, please send an email to Yvonne.Myal@umanitoba.ca.

- To subscribe to CIHR Funding News, a free bulletin emailed to subscribers approximately once a month with the latest news on CIHR funding opportunities, decisions, policies and workshops, please visit the [CIHR Funding News webpage](https://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/en/about/announcements.html).

**FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Program – **REVISED****
  The Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships program provides awards to attract and retain the very best postdoctoral researchers, both nationally and internationally, in order to develop their leadership potential and position them for success as research leaders who will positively contribute to Canada’s economic, social, and research-based growth. Seventy (70) awards are distributed equally across the three Tri-Council agencies. Fellowships will be of two-year duration, valued at $70,000/year (taxable).

  **Application Deadline: September 20, 2017**  
  **ORS Deadline:** August 14, 2017 (**All sections of the application must be completed and submitted to ORS by this deadline, with the exception of the Letter of Endorsement attachment, which will be completed only for those applications selected to be submitted in this competition, and the referee assessments**).

- **Brain Canada–Kids Brain Health Network – Training Awards**
  Brain Canada and Kids Brain Health Network have announced a competition for training awards in developmental neurosciences. These awards will support pre-doctoral fellowships (up to $30,000/year for two years + $5,000 career development supplement) and post-doctoral fellowships (up to $50,000/year for two years + $5,000 career development supplement) involving research training that incorporates original research into the origins, early detection, and effective treatment of disorders of brain development. Applicants are required to identify matching funding (on a 1:1 basis) from non-Federal Government sponsors in order to apply to this program.
**Full Application Deadline:** August 15, 2017  
**ORS Deadline (Confirmation of Matching Funding):** June 16, 2017  
**ORS Deadline (Full Application):** June 28, 2017

The University of Manitoba is required to provide Brain Canada with a commitment letter confirming the number of pre-doctoral and post-doctoral fellowships originating from the University by June 30, 2017. Interested applicants must provide ORS with proof of confirmed matching funding, as well as the name of the trainee(s) applying to this program, by June 16, 2017 in order to meet this requirement.**

**ORS Contact:** Robert Senkiw, Special Projects Officer (Strategic Research Initiatives): Robert.Senkiw@umanitoba.ca.

- **Mitacs Elevate Postdoctoral Fellowship**  
The Mitacs Elevate Postdoctoral Fellowship is a two-year award (valued at $55,000/year, plus $7,500/year non-cash value in training) supporting a long-term collaborative research project with a non-academic partner, as well as exclusive, customized professional development training.

**Letter of Intent & Conflict of Interest Deadline:** June 7, 2017  
**Full Application Deadline:** July 5, 2017  
**ORS Deadline:** June 28, 2017  
**ORS Contact:** Robert Senkiw, Special Projects Officer (Institutional Programs): Robert.Senkiw@umanitoba.ca.

**NETWORKS OF CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE (NCE):**

- **AGE-WELL Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Awards in Technology and Aging (2017)**  
AGE-WELL Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Awards in Technology and Aging provide partial funding to highly qualified master’s, doctoral, and post-doctoral candidates and provide them with access to training and mentorship opportunities.

Applicants must demonstrate that they will receive funding from a non-AGE-WELL source. These sources can include their home department, supervisor research grants, and/or government and agency scholarships and awards.

**Application Deadline:** May 31, 2017  
**ORS Deadline:** May 24, 2017  
**ORS Contact:** Robert Senkiw, Special Projects Officer (Strategic Research Initiatives): Robert.Senkiw@umanitoba.ca.

**OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **Canadian Horticultural Council – Canadian Agri-Science Cluster for Horticulture and National Field Vegetable Industry Priorities**  
The Canadian Horticultural Council (CHC) is exploring the opportunity to establish a third Agri-Science Cluster under the federal government’s upcoming agricultural policy framework for 2018-2023. This program would help industry-led agricultural organizations
pull together national scientific and technical resources to establish clusters in support of innovation and research. Projects must focus on the pre-commercialization development of new agri-products, practices and processes in Canada that will make agriculture more profitable and competitive.

The CHC is seeking Expressions of Interest from researchers in Canada who are interested in participating in this cluster in the following priority areas for the field vegetable industry:

1. Optimize production practices
2. Improve pest and disease management practices
3. Optimize post-harvest and storage practices
4. Plant breeding, variety development and evaluation
5. Research on the health benefits of vegetables
6. Enabling Strategy: knowledge collection, translation, and transfer

For more information on the EOI, including Strategic Outcomes and Investment Priorities, please contact Robert Senkiw, Special Projects Officer (Strategic Research Initiatives): Robert.Senkiw@umanitoba.ca.

Expression of Interest (EOI) Deadline: May 26, 2017

As per standard procedure unless otherwise noted above, ORS requires application for external funding at least one week prior to submission to the agency to conduct an administrative review and to sign on behalf of the institution as required.

For more information on ORS procedures and who to contact, please visit the ORS website at http://www.umanitoba.ca/research/ors