COVID-19 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND UPDATES:

- **CIHR Operating Grant : COVID-19 Mental Health & Substance Use Service Needs and Delivery**
  This rapid response grant will explicitly address the specific mental health and/or substance use crisis response needs resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and/or the strategies to contain and mitigate its impact, with grants of $200,000 over 1 year.
  - **Registration Deadline:** June 18, 2020
  - **Application Deadline:** July 7, 2020
  - **ORS Application Deadline:** June 29, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.
  - **ORS Contact:** Jackie Cooney-Birch, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), Jackie.Cooney-Birch@umanitoba.ca

TRI-AGENCIES
CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH (CIHR):

- **Operating Grant : New Investigator Grants in Child and Youth Health**
  The deadline for this call has been updated. These grants are jointly sponsored by CIHR and SickKids Foundation and will support new investigators in all areas of child health with grants of $100,000/yr for three years.
  - **Application Deadline:** July 20, 2020
  - **ORS Application Deadline:** July 13, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.
  - **ORS Contact:** Jackie Cooney-Birch, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), Jackie.Cooney-Birch@umanitoba.ca

NATURAL SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING RESEARCH COUNCIL OF CANADA (NSERC):

- NSERC has announced a targeted opportunity, jointly with Environment and Climate Change Canada, with objectives to support research that will increase scientific knowledge to achieve Canada’s zero plastic waste targets and to inform the advancement of policy and regulatory measures. Applications may request up to 4 years of support, to a maximum total funding request of $1M. Please refer to the full funding opportunity for more details.
  - **NSERC LOI Deadline:** July 8, 2020
  - **NSERC Full Application (by invitation):** October 1, 2020
  - **ORS Application Deadline:** September 17, 2020 – 4:30 p.m.
  - **ORS Contact:** Andrea Craig, Research Grants Officer (NSERC suite of programs, inter-institutional transfers) Andrea.Craig@umanitoba.ca

INTERNAL GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Tri-Agency Bridge Funding Program** - This program provides funding for the further development of unsuccessful NSERC Discovery or SSHRC Insight Grant applications in the Fall 2019 competition, to ensure future success. VPRI will match faculty fund contribution 2:1 up to maximum amounts as listed on Guidelines.
  - **Deadline:** June 15, 2020 – 4:30pm
  - “Please contact Jenna Silva Jenna.Silva@umanitoba.ca to discuss whether you are eligible for this Internal Grant”.

- **University Creative Works Grants Program** - funding up to $5,000
Provides support for high quality creative works. Open to faculty in artistic disciplines. **Deadline:** July 1, 2020 – 4:30pm  
**ORS contact for further inquiries and/or assistance:** Jenna Silva, Research Grants Officer (Institutional Programs); Jenna.Silva@umanitoba.ca

- **Small Research Equipment Funding Program (SREF)**  
The SREF Program provides support to purchase, repair or fabricate research equipment. The Office of the Vice-President (Research and International) will provide a maximum of $25,000 to researchers who have specific, lower-cost equipment needs required to support their research program.  
**Application Deadline:** July 31, 2020 – 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Jenna Silva, Research Grants Officer (Institutional Programs); Jenna.Silva@umanitoba.ca

Please note: FAAFs are **NOT** required for internal grant programs.

**INTERNATIONAL GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Azrieli Foundation – Back on Track from COVID-19**  
Funding available up to $10,000 CDN to supplement an already awarded peer-reviewed grant/project, and selection will prioritize Early Career Researchers working in the area of neurodevelopmental disorders. Click [here](#) for more information including guidelines and submission instructions  
**Application Deadline (upon invitation):** June 17, 2020  
**ORS Deadline:** June 10 2020, 4:30 pm  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

- **US Department of Defense (DoD) – Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Research Program (DMDRP)**

  **DMDRP Idea Development Award**  
Funding up to a maximum of $350,000 US in direct costs over two (2) years is available. Click [here](#) for application instructions. Clinical trials are not allowed. **A Pre-Application is required** and must be submitted through eBRAP.  
**Pre-Application Deadline:** August 12, 2020, 5:00 pm EST  
**Application Deadline:** December 7, 2020 (upon invitation)  
**ORS Deadline:** November 23, 2020 - 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

  **DMDRP Translational Research Partnership Award**  
Funding up to a maximum of $1,200,000 US in direct costs over three (3) years is available. Click [here](#) for application instructions. **A Pre-Application is required** and must be submitted through eBRAP.  
**Pre-Application Deadline:** August 12, 2020, 5:00 pm EST  
**Application Deadline:** December 7, 2020 (upon invitation)  
**ORS Deadline:** November 23, 2020 - 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

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Researchers must follow their unit’s new electronic grant submission process.  
All proposals applied for must be accompanied by a Funding Application Approval Form (FAAF) and must follow the deadlines (unless otherwise posted).  
As a reminder, below are the ORS deadlines for submitting research proposals and FAAFs.
For large, complex grant applications (e.g., Tri-agency major programs, NIH, US Department of Defense and those that require matching funds and/or additional institutional support, etc.)

- 10 working days in advance of agency deadline

For other regular and/or ‘rolling’ and one-time grants:

- 5 working days in advance of agency deadline

Also as a reminder, researchers should work with the University’s Research Facilitators early in the proposal development stage, for assistance in strategic research planning and proposal review.

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