As a reminder, below are the ORS deadlines for submitting research proposals and FAAFs (Funding Application Approval Form):

For large, complex grant applications (e.g., tri-agency major programs, 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.

**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.

- **SGBA Health Policy-Research Partnerships (2018)**

In response to the Canadian government’s renewed commitment to gender-based analysis, Health Canada recently approved a department-wide *Sex- and Gender-Based Analysis (SGBA) Action Plan*. A key activity within this action plan is a partnership between the CIHR Institute of Gender and Health, the Institute of Aboriginal Peoples’ Health, and the Health Canada Gender and Health Unit (GHU). The aim of this partnership is to fund Policy-Research Partnerships, which will help bridge the gaps between research knowledge and policy development and support the rigorous application of SGBA to ensure Health Canada’s outward facing activities address the diverse needs of women, men, girls, boys, and gender-diverse people to maximize positive health outcomes and improve health equity.

This funding opportunity will support projects relevant to the following research areas:
Projects involving First Nations fathers/men in healthy child development
Government of Canada initiatives; and
Projects applying SGBA+ to investigate consumer perceptions of health product
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Funds Available:

- The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $300,000, enough to fund 2 grants
- The maximum amount per grant is $75,000 per year for up to two years for a total of $150,000, per grant
- Of the $300,000, one grant is available for each of the research areas mentioned above

Link to call on ResearchNet

**Application Deadline:** January 23, 2018
**ORS Deadline:** January 15, 2018
**ORS Contact:** Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

- New Investigator Salary Award: Kidney Research Scientist Core Education and National Training Program (KRESCE NT) / CIHR New Investigator Award (2018)

The Kidney Research Scientist Core Education and National Training (KRESCE NT) program was launched in January 2005 and is a testimony to the leadership of the individuals, organizations, and companies committed to reducing the burden of kidney disease throughout Canada. In 2015, an evaluation of this program was initiated by the KFOC in partnership with CIHR. A survey of past trainees and a bibliometric analysis was undertaken to assess scientific productivity, collaboration, and impact of the program. To continue building on the success of this initiative, this funding opportunity is focused on supporting new investigator salary awards.

**Funds Available:**

CIHR and partner(s) financial contributions for this initiative are subject to availability of funds. Should CIHR or partner(s) funding levels not be available or are decreased due to unforeseen circumstances, CIHR and partner(s) reserve the right to reduce, defer or suspend financial contributions to awards received as a result of this funding opportunity.

- New Investigator Award: $70,000 per annum for Medical Doctors and $65,000 for PhD trained applicants for up to 3 years
- Funding for New Investigators includes an additional $25,000 per award for infrastructure support (provided by KFOC and paid in 2018-19 and 2019-20)

Awards are valued in Canadian dollars and are taxable. Applicants are required to secure 50% of the award from their respective host institution and 50% will be contributed by the KRESCE NT Program.

Link to call on ResearchNet
Kidney Research Scientist Core Education and National Training Program (KRESCENT) / CIHR Post-Doctoral Fellowship

The Kidney Research Scientist Core Education and National Training (KRESCENT) program was launched in January 2005 and is a testimony to the leadership of the individuals, organizations, and companies committed to reducing the burden of kidney disease throughout Canada. In 2015, an evaluation of this program was initiated by the KFOC in partnership with CIHR. A survey of past trainees and a bibliometric analysis was undertaken to assess scientific productivity, collaboration, and impact of the program. To continue building on the success of this initiative, this funding opportunity is focused on supporting Post-Doctoral Fellowship awards.

Funds Available:

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- Trainee stipend: $65,000 per annum for Medical Doctors and $55,000 for PhD trained applicants for up to 3 years

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Joint Canada-Israel Health Research Program (2018)

The Joint Canada-Israel Health Research Program (the Program) seeks to support fundamental research at the cutting-edge of biomedical science. This fourth call for proposals is directed toward basic biomedical sciences in neurobiology while building capacity and furthering the knowledge-base in low and middle income countries.

The organizations funding this Program support the search for breakthroughs in health sciences that have the potential to bring about enduring changes across the globe, including in developing regions. The Program will support world-class research teams co-led by Canadian and Israeli investigators. The teams will be expected to integrate researchers from low and middle income countries to further their scientific capacity. In
their capacity as collaborators or trainees, researchers in eligible countries will contribute to and benefit from their involvement in the Initiative.

Teams are encouraged to integrate sex and gender perspectives into their research, including where relevant Sex- and Gender-Based Analysis (SGBA). SGBA is an approach that systematically examines sex-based (biological) and gender-based (socio-cultural) differences to promote rigorous science that is sensitive to sex and gender and has the potential to expand our understanding of health determinants for all people.

**Research Areas**

The fourth call of this program supports biomedical sciences with special emphasis on new frontiers in neurobiology. Potential topics may include, but are not limited to the following:

- molecular, genetic and epigenetic basis of neurological diseases
- developmental neurobiology
- neuroimmunology
- neuroendocrinology
- regenerative medicine in brain disease
- cellular and molecular basis of cognition
- modeling brain function
- imaging of neural processes
- brain-machine interface
- novel technologies in neurobiology

*Clinical Trials will NOT be funded through this Funding Opportunity; however, the use of randomization in basic biomedical research studies is accepted.

**Funds Available:**

Partner financial contributions for this initiative are subject to availability of funds. Should partner funding levels not be available or are decreased due to unforeseen circumstances, the partner(s) reserve the right to reduce, defer or suspend financial contributions to grants received as a result of this funding opportunity.

The current competition will fund up to six teams with a maximal annual budget of approximately $390,000 per team (NIS 1,257,965), for a total amount of approximately $1.17M over three years (NIS 3,773,896)

- ISF will administer the 6 funded grants to the Israeli Principal Applicant's (PA) institution. The maximum amount per project that can be requested by the Israeli PA from ISF is up to NIS 1,540,000 over 3 years
- IDRC will administer the 6 funded grants to the Canadian PA's institution. The maximum amount per project that can be requested by the Canadian PA from IDRC is up to CAD $670,000 over 3 years

[Link to Call on ResearchNet](/)

**Registration Deadline:** January 16, 2018  
**Application Deadline:** February 13, 2018  
**ORS Deadline:** February 6, 2018
ORS Contact: Bryn Jones Square, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), bryn.jonessquare@umanitoba.ca

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HEALTH RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Centre for Aging + Brain Health Innovation
  Researcher-Clinician Partnership Program 2017 Call for Innovations

The Centre for Aging + Brain Health Innovation’s (CABHI’s) mission is to accelerate the development, validation, commercialization, dissemination, and adoption of innovative
products, services, and best practices to support brain health and aging. Our vision is a world in which people can age in the setting of their choice, maintaining their well-being and independence for as long as possible.

The Researcher-Clinician Partnership Program (RCP^2) will support teams of clinicians and researchers collaborating to refine, test, validate, and disseminate innovative solutions in real-world settings. Solutions must be at an advanced stage of development, with promising scalability.

All project applications must focus on one or more of the following themes:

1. **Aging in place**: solutions that enable older adults with dementia to maximize their choice, independence, and quality of life to enable aging in the most appropriate setting;
2. **Caregiver support**: solutions that support caregivers (formal and informal) in providing care to older adults with dementia;
3. **Care coordination and navigation**: solutions that help older adults, caregivers, and healthcare providers coordinate care and transitions for older adults with dementia; and
4. **Cognitive health**: solutions focused on health promotion, prevention, early diagnostics, and slowing the progression of cognitive impairment in aging adults

Organizations of successful applicants will receive up to $500,000 (CAD) to support their projects. Projects cannot exceed 15 months in duration (including submission of the final project) and must begin by June 2018.

No specific amount of matching funds from the Host Institution is required to apply; however, preference will be given to applications that demonstrate how CABHI’s funding will leverage support from other funding sources.

[Link to Call on ResearchNet](#)

Interested applicants must submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) online no later than 5 pm on November 30, 2017.

**Applicants Submit Expression of Interest Online**: November 30, 2017

**Applicants Invited to Submit an Application**: January 17, 2018

**Application Deadline**: February 16, 2018

**ORS Deadline**: February 9, 2018

**ORS Contact**: Michelina Violi, Research Grants Officer (Health), michelina.violi@umanitoba.ca

**INTERNATIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **Association of Commonwealth Universities – Commonwealth Rutherford Fellowships**

  The Commonwealth Rutherford Fellowships are for highly skilled researchers from other Commonwealth countries to spend one or two years at an eligible UK university conducting postdoctoral research. They are funded by the UK Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) through the Rutherford Fund, with the aim of attracting global talent and supporting the UK’s research base. Up to 50 fellowships are available.
Purpose: To support world-class research and innovation, and to contribute to the UK’s research base by attracting high-calibre international candidates and encouraging links and collaboration.

Intended beneficiaries: Highly skilled and highly motivated PhD graduates whose proposed research topic is innovative, timely, and likely to lead to wider impact beyond the academic community and build research collaboration between the UK and other Commonwealth countries.

**Application Deadline:** December 11, 2017  
**ORS Deadline:** December 4, 2017  
**ORS Contact:** Jenna Silva, Research Grants Officer (Institutional): jenna.silva@umanitoba.ca

➢ **Association of Commonwealth Universities – ACU Titular Fellowship**  
ACU Titular Fellowships, funded by the Association of Commonwealth Universities' Development Fund, aim to support universities of the Commonwealth to develop the human resources of their institutions and countries through the interchange of people, knowledge, skills and technologies.

Fellowships which do not have a specific subject linked to them are tenable in any of the following priority subject areas:

i) Education  
ii) Health and related social sciences  
iii) Information technology and management  
iv) STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) subjects  
v) Sustainable development  
vi) University development and management

**Applications for 2018 will open in March 2018**  
**ORS Contact:** Jenna Silva, Research Grants Officer (Institutional): jenna.silva@umanitoba.ca

**NETWORKS OF CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE:**

➢ **India-Canada Centre for Innovative Multidisciplinary Partnerships to Accelerate Community Transformation and Sustainability (IC-IMPACTS) – Innovative Technologies Demonstration Initiative**  
IC-IMPACTS is seeking proposals in three categories of projects in the deployment-ready stage of development related to the Network’s themes on safe and sustainable infrastructure, integrated water management, and public health and disease prevention:

i) Technology Indigenization or Product Adaptation ii) Technology or Research Validation iii) Technology Replication

Projects are subject to several eligibility criteria outlined in the link above, including industry (external partner) involvement. Projects are expected to have total budget requests of less than $25,000 over a term of up to 24 months, though in well-justified cases, the maximum budget awarded may be up to $45,000. Projects with substantial student participation may also be eligible to request an additional $10,000 in student support.
**Application Deadline:** Applications accepted anytime (call closes March 31, 2018).
**ORS Deadline:** One week prior to submission to IC-IMPACTS.
**ORS Contact:** Jenna Silva, Research Grants Officer (Institutional): jenna.silva@umanitoba.ca

**OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **Ericsson Canada – Call for Proposals**
  Providing up to $50,000 to Canadian Universities for 1-2 year research projects (with potential cost sharing by MITACS or NSERC) - Ericsson is seeking well-defined project proposals for research contributing to the strengthening of Canada’s Information and Communications Technology. The areas of focus include: Operator or Business Support Systems, Media Technologies, Cloud Technologies, Network Function Virtualization, Software Defined Networks, 5G, LTE, Hardware, Device, EMF, Machine Intelligence/Communications, Security, Digital Services Design, Internet of Things, Smart Grid, Software engineering, Business model research, Social implications of a networked society, Energy efficiency of infrastructure, Virtualization, and Smart Cities.

  **Application Deadline:** November 30, 2017 (RFP Proposal Submission Deadline)
  **ORS Contact:** Holly Musto, Research Contract Coordinator, holly.musto@umanitoba.ca

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