NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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TRI AGENCIES

Canadian Institutes of Health Research

**Operating Grant : CIHR Network for Emerging Variants Research**
This call will fund the creation of a national network for research associated with the emergence of SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern, specifically to determine and define their biological relevance in order to inform public health and health systems strategies, with grants of up to $9M over 1 year. Please notify ORS if you have submitted an EOI to this opportunity.

**EOI Deadline:** February 18, 2021  
**Application Deadline:** March 8, 2021  
**ORS Deadline:** March 4, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Jackie Cooney-Birch, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), Jackie.Cooney-Birch@umanitoba.ca

**Project Grant: Spring 2021**
The Project Grant program will support projects or programs of research in all areas of research that are aligned with the CIHR mandate, with potential to create important advances in fundamental or applied health-related knowledge, health care, health systems, and/or health outcomes.

**Registration Deadline:** March 4, 2021  
**Application Deadline:** April 1, 2021  
**ORS Deadline:** March 18, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Jackie Cooney-Birch, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), Jackie.Cooney-Birch@umanitoba.ca

Canadian Funding Opportunities

**Cancer Research Society - Scholarships for the Next Generation of Scientists**
Funding available in two parts: Part 1 consists of a one-year $50,000 salary award and Part 2 consists of an Operating Grant in the amount of $60,000/year for up to two (2) years. **Application to both parts is required.** Application guidelines can be found [here](#) and the application form can be found [here](#). Applications must be submitted through [proposalCENTRAL](#)  
**Application Deadline:** April 28, 2021

FYI Are you submitting a grant/contract and need information regarding the UofM Finance Accountant. Find contact information on Research Accounting Support [here](#).
ORS Deadline: April 21, 2021, 4:30 pm  
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

International Funding Opportunities

Academics Without Borders is a bilingual non-profit organization. Its mission is to support capacity development in tertiary education in developing countries so that these countries can educate their own experts and professionals that are necessary for their development. It does this by sending volunteers from Canada to support local initiatives. AWB projects focus on a number of areas, including, health, teaching and learning methodology, various academic disciplines, student services, and back office operations. That is, in any area in which universities are involved. Given the uncertainties regarding international travel during the course of the pandemic, in this call for project proposals, AWB will prioritize submissions that can be implemented in whole or in part online. Contact at AWB: Corrie Young, cyoung@awb-usf.org.

For more information on developing a project proposal to respond to this call, contact Cameron Zywina, International Partnership Officer, International Centre, cameron.zywina@umanitoba.ca

Application Deadline for proposals at AWB: March 8, 2021
International Centre Deadline: March 1, 2021

US Department of Defense (DoD) – Ovarian Cancer Research Program (ORCP)
Ovarian Cancer Research Program (ORCP) Clinical Translational Research Award
Funding up to a maximum of $450,000 US in direct costs over three (3) years is available. Click here for application instructions. Clinical trials not allowed. A Pre-Application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP.
Pre-Application Deadline: April 1, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
Application Deadline: July 8, 2021 (upon invitation)
ORS Deadline: June 24, 2021 - 4:30 p.m.
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

ORCP Investigator-Initiated Research Award
Funding available up to a maximum of $600,000 US in direct costs over four (4) years (single PI option) and $800,000 US (Partnering PI option). Click here for application instructions. Clinical trials not allowed. A Pre-Application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP.
Pre-Application Deadline: April 1, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
Application Deadline: July 8, 2021 (upon invitation)
ORS Deadline: June 24, 2021 - 4:30 p.m.
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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.) the deadline to submit a FAAF and research proposal to ORS is 10 working days in advance of agency deadline.
For other regular and/or ‘rolling’ and one-time grants submit a FAAF and research proposal to ORS 5 working days in advance of the agency deadline.
**ORCP Ovarian Cancer Academy Early Career Award**
Funding available up to a maximum of $750,000 US in direct costs over four (4) years. Click [here](#) for application instructions. Clinical trials allowed. Preliminary data are required. *A Pre-Application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP.*

**Pre-Application Deadline:** April 1, 2021, 5:00 pm EST  
**Application Deadline:** July 8, 2021 (upon invitation)  
**ORS Deadline:** June 24, 2021 - 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)

**ORCP Pilot Award**
Funding available up to a maximum of $250,000 US in direct costs over two (2) years. Click [here](#) for application instructions. Clinical trials not allowed. *A Pre-Application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP.*

**Pre-Application Deadline:** April 1, 2021, 5:00 pm EST  
**Application Deadline:** July 8, 2021 (upon invitation)  
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**ORCP Proteogenomics Research Award**
Funding available up to a maximum of $250,000 US in direct costs over two (2) years. Click [here](#) for application instructions. Clinical trials not allowed. *A Pre-Application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP.*

**Pre-Application Deadline:** April 1, 2021, 5:00 pm EST  
**Application Deadline:** July 8, 2021 (upon invitation)  
**ORS Deadline:** June 24, 2021 - 4:30 p.m.  
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**Lung Cancer Research Program (LCRP) - Career Development Award**
Funding up to a maximum of $250,000 US in direct costs over two (2) years is available. Click [here](#) for application instructions. Clinical trials not allowed. *A Letter of Intent is required and must be submitted through eBRAP.*

**Pre-Application Deadline:** April 6, 2021, 5:00 pm EST  
**Application Deadline:** April 20, 2021 (upon invitation)  
**ORS Deadline:** April 13, 2021 - 4:30 p.m.  
**ORS Contact:** Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)

**LCRP Concept Award**
Funding up to a maximum of $100,000 US in direct costs over one (1) years is available. Click [here](#) for application instructions. Clinical trials not allowed. Preliminary data are discouraged. *A Letter of Intent is required and must be submitted through eBRAP.*

**Pre-Application Deadline:** April 6, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
Application Deadline: April 20, 2021 (upon invitation)
ORS Deadline: April 13, 2021 - 4:30 p.m.
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

WORKSHOP/EVENTS/MEETINGS/OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Research Activities** - As of January 29th, new provincial travel restrictions require anyone who leaves Manitoba to quarantine for 14-days upon their return. Researchers should discuss all of their research-related as well as any research-related travel of their research personnel (e.g., graduate students, postdocs, technicians) with their head/dean. In addition, the following forms are available for research involving human participants, off-campus research, or fieldwork. *Request to Undertake Research at Off-Campus Research Sites or Field Stations* *Request to Undertake Research Involving Human Participants at On- or Off-Campus Research Sites*

These forms have been updated and the link to the updated forms above should be used. Please do not use previous versions of these forms that you may have downloaded and saved.

- **The New Digital Research Infrastructure Organization (NDRIO)** announced the launch of a nation-wide survey, as part of their Canadian Digital Research Infrastructure Needs Assessment. This survey is open to all Canadian researchers, regardless of their current use of digital infrastructure, and will be available until Monday, February 22, 2021. The survey takes about 20 minutes to complete, and will help inform their 2022-2025 Strategic Plan. Please take time to complete the survey and share it with other members of your research community.

- **Workshop: CIHR Project Grant Spring 2021 Information Session**
  Jackie Cooney-Birch (Research Grant Officer for CIHR programs) and Jodi Smith (Research Facilitator, Health Sciences) will present a virtual CIHR Project Grant information session. The session will go over updates to the competition, the components and requirements of a Project Grant application, and tips for a successful submission. First-time Project Grant applicants are especially encouraged to attend. Please send an email to jackie.cooney-birch@umanitoba.ca to RSVP for the session and receive an MS Teams link. *February 23rd, 10:00-11:30 a.m. via MS Teams*

- **CIHR Reviewer in Training Program**
  The CIHR Reviewer in Training program offers Early Career Researchers a learning opportunity to gain a better understanding of the elements of high quality review and the peer review process through direct participation in the Project Grant competition with the support of a Mentor. RiT participants will be
assigned three applications to conduct practice reviews, attend the peer review meeting, present one of their reviews, and participate in the committee discussion of their assigned applications (in June 2021). Questions, contact college@cihr-irsc.gc.ca.

Deadline: February 26, 2021
ORS Contact: Jackie Cooney-Birch, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), Jackie.Cooney-Birch@umanitoba.ca

➢ Early Career Researcher Day 2021

Registration: FREE – please RSVP by **February 12**th
at uwinnipeg.ca/ecrd-form
Location: Virtual (Zoom)
Date & Time: **February 26, 2021, 10:00am – 3:00pm**
(suggested arrival by 9:55)
Experts from the University of Winnipeg, The University of Manitoba, Mitacs, and Research Manitoba, among others, will participate in info sessions, panels, and workshops, to provide information and support attendees throughout the day. Attendees will jointly develop original research project ideas in order to engage with the entire research lifecycle.

➢ On December 17, 2020, CIHR published a message from the Vice-President, Research Programs entitled Online discussion on systemic racism in Canada's health research funding system. The online discussion has launched and will be open until April 9, 2021. The content for the online discussion was developed in consultation with racialized and Indigenous researchers and stakeholder organizations. CIHR specifically invites the engagement of racialized and Indigenous communities with lived experience of systemic racism in the health research sector although the online discussion is open to all.
To participate in the online discussion, individuals are invited to visit the Let’s Talk CIHR webpage, click on “REGISTER to get involved”, and follow the prompts to register for and join the online discussion. Additionally, starting in spring/summer 2021, virtual small group listening sessions and dedicated engagement activities will be held. Further details will be shared in the near future. Questions, contact edi@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

*The lift your spirit on Tuesday box*  --  *They told me that wearing a mask and gloves was good enough to get into the supermarket..... They lied everyone else had their clothes on!*