NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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TRI AGENCIES

Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR)

Team Grant: Heart Failure Research Network
This opportunity will support the creation of a single nationally coordinated, interdisciplinary research Network focused on heart failure across the lifecycle, within various health delivery settings examples), which will consider HF in the context of multi-morbidity, Indigenous health and well-being and health disparities. Total funding available is $5M over five years.

Registration deadline: July 7, 2021
Application deadline: December 7, 2021
ORS deadline: November 30, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.
ORS Contact: Jackie Cooney-Birch, Research Grants Officer (CIHR), Jackie.Cooney-Birch@umanitoba.ca

Team Grant: Healthy Cities Implementation Science (HCIS) Team Grants
This opportunity will support projects focused on how to design, implement and promote the systematic and equitable uptake of evidence-based, previously piloted interventions in multiple urban environments to improve population health and well-being. The maximum grant amount is $3M over six years. Development grants of $25,000 will be available at the LOI stage.

Letter of Intent deadline: August 11, 2021
ORS Letter of Intent deadline: August 4, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.
Full Application deadline: April 28, 2022
ORS deadline: April 21, 2022 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 Alliance/Research Manitoba - Accelerate, Commercialize, Transform (ACT)
The NSERC Alliance and RM Accelerate, Commercialize, Transform (ACT) program will support university R&D collaborations that assist Manitoban small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in developing technology and products with the highest potential for regional economic development and commercialization in Manitoba. The mutually beneficial projects are expected to result in economic benefits to the companies and to Manitoba, as well as build
impactful longer-term collaborations between university researchers and companies. This funding opportunity is available for projects that:

1) align with the following priority areas: bioscience, information and communications technology (ICT), advanced manufacturing, or infrastructure and transportation industries and technologies; and

2) have at least one Manitoban SME as a partner organization.

Funds contributed toward the project from a partner recognized for cost-sharing can be matched concurrently by NSERC and Research MB. NSERC Alliance will match cash contributions from all recognized partners at a 2:1 ratio, from $20,000 to $1M per year for up to five years, and RM ACT will match the contributions from the Manitoban SME at a 1:1 ratio, up to $25,000 per year for up to two years.

Kindly note that the application process for the NSERC Alliance and RM ACT program requires submissions to both Research Manitoba and NSERC. You must first contact the Research Manitoba Programs Manager to ensure that the proposed project is aligned with RM priority areas. For further steps, please consult the guidelines to this program:

- **Research MB**: [https://researchmanitoba.ca/funding-opportunities/nserc-alliance-research-manitoba-act/](https://researchmanitoba.ca/funding-opportunities/nserc-alliance-research-manitoba-act/)

The deadline for both of these programs is rolling; intake is open until available funding is awarded. Please ensure you submit a complete application and FAAF to ResearchGrants@umanitoba.ca a minimum of 5 business days in advance of your desired submission date.

Questions about this program may be directed to either Andrea Craig (Andrea.Craig@umanitoba.ca) or Jenna Silva (Jenna.Silva@umanitoba.ca).

**Canadian Funding Opportunities**

**Arthritis Society – Star Career Development Award**

Funding available up to a maximum of $125,000/year for three (3) years with matching support, of equal value, from the Host institution. Click [here](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/NSERC-Alliance-RMA_eng.asp) for more information.

- **Abstract Registration**: May 26, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
- **Application Deadline**: July 12, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
- **ORS Deadline**: July 5, 2021, 4:30 pm
- **ORS Contact**: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), [Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca)

**International Funding Opportunities**

**National MS Society – Post-doctoral Fellowships**

These fellowships target promising young investigators and doctors into the field of MS by supporting the training of postdoctoral fellows in studies related to MS.
Salary support provided for up to three (3) years. Click here for instructions and here for guidelines. Applications must be submitted through the online portal found here.

Pre-Application Deadline (required): August 11, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

Application Deadline (upon invitation): August 28, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

ORS Deadline: August 21, 2021, 4:30 pm

ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

**US Department of Defense (DoD) – Scleroderma Research Program (SRP)**

**SRP Idea Development Award**

Funding up to a maximum of $300,000 US in direct costs $450,000 (New investigator option) over three (3) years is available. Click here for application instructions. Preliminary data are required. No clinical trials allowed. Applications must be submitted through eBRAP.

Pre-Application Deadline: August 11, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

Application Deadline: August 28, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

ORS Deadline: August 21, 2021, 4:30 pm

ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

**SRP Translational Research Partnership Award**

Funding available up to a maximum of $750,000 US in direct costs over three (3) years. Click here for application instructions. Preliminary data are required. No clinical trials allowed. Applications must be submitted through eBRAP.

Pre-Application Deadline: August 11, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

Application Deadline: August 28, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

ORS Deadline: August 21, 2021, 4:30 pm

ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

**Hearing Restoration Research Program (HRRP) – HRRP Focused Research Award**

Funding up to a maximum of $250,000 US in direct costs (Level 1) over two (2) years or $1,000,000 (Level 2) over three (3) years or $1,250,000 (Pilot Clinical Trial) 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: July 28, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

Application Deadline (upon invitation): November 30, 2021, 11:59 pm EST

ORS Deadline: November 16, 2021, 4:30 p.m.

ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

**Melanoma Research Program (MRP) – MRP Idea Award**

Funding up to a maximum of $500,000 US in direct costs over three (3) 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: June 29, 2021, 5:00 pm EST

Application Deadline (upon invitation): September 28, 2021, 11:59 pm EST

ORS Deadline: September 14, 2021 - 4:30 p.m. CST
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

MRP Translational Research Award
Funding up to a maximum of $600,000 US in direct costs or $700,000 (Collaboration Option) over three (3) years is available. Click here for application instructions. Clinical trials are not allowed. A Pre-Application is required. A Letter of Intent is required and must be submitted through eBRAP.
Pre-Application Deadline: August 4, 2021, 5:00 pm EST
Application Deadline: August 26, 2021, 11:59 pm EST
ORS Deadline: August 12, 2021 - 4:30 p.m. CST
ORS Contact: Michelina Violi, Research Grant Officer (Health and International), Michelina.Violi@umanitoba.ca

WORKSHOP/EVENTS/MEETINGS/OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SSHRC Connection Grant Webinars**
The webinars will be held via WebEx at the following times:

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Please note that you do not need to register in advance and a question and answer period will follow the presentation. With WebEx, questions must be submitted in writing.
To join via WebEx:
- Click on the WebEx webinar link on the date and time specified.
- Enter your name, email address and the event password.
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For any questions, please contact us by email at: [connection@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca](mailto:connection@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca)

- **NSERC Discovery Horizons Webinar**
Upcoming webinar for the new [Discovery Horizons](#) program.
French session: May 26th, 10:00 - 11:30 am (Ottawa time)
English session: May 26th, 12:00 - 1:30 pm (Ottawa time)
A short presentation of the program will precede a Q&A session.
CMHC – Getting Started: Pre-development Processes, the second round of the Housing Supply Challenge (launching in June 2021) focuses on the creation and implementation of local solutions that improve pre-development processes, including everything that needs to happen to move a project from idea to shovel.

If selected as part of the shortlisted applicants for this round, you will receive up to $75,000 in funding to prototype your proposed solutions for your final submission. If your prototype is selected as a finalist, you will share a pool of $38 million to implement your solution! Visit our landing page for more details and to subscribe for updates!

Workshop on a Canadian Biodiversity Observation Network (CAN BON)
NSERC has announced a (new) call for Expressions of Interest to participate in a workshop to identify initiatives, data and resources that could contribute to and guide the establishment of a potential Canadian Biodiversity Observation Network (CAN BON): CAN BON workshop. CAN BON would be part of GEO BON (geobon.org), the Group on Earth Observations Biodiversity Observation Network.

This workshop is being organized to discuss the feasibility and desirability of establishing a Canadian Biodiversity Observation Network (CAN BON) to transform Canada’s capacity to research, survey, and monitor biodiversity, natural resources and ecosystem services in ways that will better inform management and conservation.

NSERC (EOI submission) deadline: 31 May 2021
NSERC Contact: atelier-CANBON-workshop@nserc-crsng.gc.ca

Grant applications submitted to NSERC’s Research Partnerships funding opportunities: The Government of Canada recently released a Research Security Policy Statement, which underlines that Canada’s world-class research, and its open and collaborative research environment, are increasingly targeted by espionage and foreign interference activities. To tackle this situation, the Government of Canada has asked the members of the Government of Canada–Universities Working Group to develop specific risk guidelines to integrate national security considerations into the evaluation and funding of research partnerships, with the aim to enable researchers, research institutions and government funders to undertake consistent, risk-targeted due diligence of potential risks to research security.

NSERC is assessing the implications of the new due diligence process on the delivery of its Research Partnerships funding opportunities. As a result, delays are affecting the intake and review of some Research Partnerships grant applications. Your understanding and patience are greatly appreciated. Questions, contact (RPP@NSERC-CRSNG.GC.CA).

CIHR video series called Ask a Scientist. In the first video, Dr. Strong answers a question that has been in the media in recent months and has persisted online in some social media circles: Was the COVID-19 vaccine research rushed? This 7-minute video is now available online.
US Department of Defense Application Resources – Informational Webinars
Are you considering applying for a US DoD research grant? The Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP) presents a webinar series on types of funding opportunities offered and strategies to increase the success of applications submitted to different CDMRP programs. Click here to view available webinars.

University of Manitoba – Café Scientifique 2021/2022 Season Call for Proposals. The Vice-President (Research and International) is seeking proposals from UM faculty members for the upcoming season of Café Scientifique.
FORMAT:  Online
DEADLINE:  No later than May 31, 2021
Questions & Submissions to: Janine.Harasymchuk@umanitoba.ca
Click on link to review the previous season's videos on the Café Scientifique website for information on previous topics and the online format.
NOTE: The Café Scientifique season takes place from September thru June, with a pause in December. If you have specific date or month in which you would like your Café to take place, please indicate this in your proposal.

NIH UPDATES
Equity, Diversion and Inclusion in Peer Review – read about the upcoming changes here.
Read about upcoming changes to the NIH biosketch effective May 25, 2021 here.

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) plans now required by many funding agencies.
• How will you recruit a diverse team and create an inclusive culture in your lab/team?
• Learn about existing barriers in your field and any EDI priorities, targets and programs in your unit
• Get involved in initiatives promoting representation of marginalized groups
• Take training opportunities and offer them to your research group
• Have plans for recruitment (advertising/interviewing) that considers diversity broadly (beyond racialization and sex/gender)

Best Practices in EDI resources:
The Canadian Institutes of Health Research, the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada announced the launch of the *Tri-Agency Research Data Management Policy* (the *Tri-Agency RDM Policy*). Frequently Asked Questions about the policy and associated requirements for institutions and researchers are now available online, along with links to resources. Andrea.Szwajcer@umanitoba.ca, Research Services Librarian, is available to make presentations to units to advise Faculty members, graduate students, PDFs, RAs, of this policy. If you have any questions, please contact the agencies via the e-mail addresses noted below. You are also invited to monitor agency communications to learn more about upcoming webinars on the policy and its implementation.

CIHR:  ResearchData-Donneesderecherche@cihr-irsc.gc.ca
NSERC: ResearchData-Donneesderecherche@nserc-crsng.gc.ca
SSHRC: ResearchData-Donneesderecherche@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca

As summer arrives, do we dig out shorts or do we cut the legs off our pajamas?