Week of September 1, 2017

Dear colleagues,

Please find below this week’s updates:

- The next 2017 **CASCaDe Clinician Educator Workshop** will be held on Thursday, October 19th 2017 from 6:00pm-8:30pm at the University Club (Dining Room, lower Level). All confirmed faculty members (eligible for promotion to Associate (Clinical) Professor in the Clinician Educator Stream in the next 5 years) should register for this workshop. Kindly view the attached letter for further information. Please register by going online at [https://www.xcdsystem.com/mcmasterchse/attendee/index.cfm?ID=lB3aXOK](https://www.xcdsystem.com/mcmasterchse/attendee/index.cfm?ID=lB3aXOK) If you have any difficulties with online registration, please contact Melanie at cmereg@mcmaster.ca

- Attached is a copy of the August 25 **HRS Funding Opportunities Bulletin**.

- REMINDER to all those submitting a **CIHR PROJECT 17-09 application**: Tuesday Sep 5 at 4:00 pm is the McMaster INTERNAL review deadline for the CIHR Project 17-09 grant. Less than a week to go until the INTERNAL submission deadline on ResearchNET (RNet). ALL submissions MUST be reviewed internally by the NPI hitting SUBMIT on RNet on or before Sep 5 by 4:00 pm. An HRS Checklist (completed and signed by the NPI and the Dept Chair) must also be submitted to HRS on or before Sep 5 in order for review to commence. If you submit online but have not delivered a Checklist, the application will remain in the queue until the Checklist is received. If you have decided NOT to submit any or all of your Applications for the 17-09 Project grant, please contact HSRESADM@mcmaster.ca ASAP to advise; no contact with CIHR is necessary as a dormant (not submitted) registration or application in progress will merely remain unchanged in your RNet account. Volume is very high in this competition and ALL faculty are reminded that the HRS office will be feverishly working to complete CIHR Project reviews during the entire week of Sep 4; your patience is appreciated. Those faculty NOT submitting a CIHR Project grant, who may have competing sponsor deadlines/requirements are encouraged to plan accordingly around this very busy week of reviewing. We appreciate early submissions; if you have your online stuff ready—hit submit and we can review it and hold the comments until you hand in the internal paperwork in (by Tuesday Sep 5)!

- **The Gairdner Foundation** invites Ontario Universities and Research Institutes to submit proposals to host a partnered international symposium at the frontiers of biomedicine to be held in 2018. Submission deadline is **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017**. With support from the Government of Ontario, the Gairdner Foundation partners with universities and institutes to hold an annual one-day symposium each calendar year. Drawing on the Canada Gairdner Awards’ history of recognizing the best in biomedical science, these symposia bring experts from across the world, along with leading
Canadian researchers, to present on the state of their field to an audience of students, faculty, and health and science professionals. Inclusion of outreach activities such as public lectures is encouraged. The Foundation is open to proposals from all fields of health research with particular emphasis on recent advancements and breakthrough research. As partner, the Gairdner Foundation provides funding of up to $25,000, communications support to the host university/institute, and is involved in the planning of the final program. Please apply at http://gairdner.org/call-proposals-2018-ontariogairdner-foundation-international-symposium/

- **CIHR** is pleased to announce the launch of an Observer program for early career investigators (ECIs) to participate as an observer in the peer review process of the Project Grant: Fall 2017 competition. Selected ECIs will be invited to observe one of the 53 committee meetings taking place in Ottawa between November 15 and December 14 as part of the review process for the Project Grant competition. Expressions of interest must be received by Tuesday, September 19, 2017. For more information and details, please visit the [opportunity web page](mailto:college@cihr-irsc.ca) or email to [college@cihr-irsc.ca](mailto:college@cihr-irsc.ca).

- You are invited to join the following presentation on **Funding Programs and Applying & Finding an Industry Partner**.
  - **Date**: Thursday October 5
  - **Time**: 9am to 12noon
  - **Location**: Council Chambers (GH 111)
  - **Speaker**: Rebecca Bourque, Director of Business Development, Mitacs.
  - **When registering**, you could choose to attend the entire presentation or a segment of your choice: Funding Programs OR Industry Partners.

  **Mitacs Funding Programs and Applying (9am to 10am)**
  Are you looking for funding? Have you heard of Mitacs but aren’t sure what program is best for you or how to apply? Hear about Mitacs’ funding research and training programs for undergraduate, graduate students and postdoctoral fellows programs and how these programs could help advance your research.

  **How to find an Industry Partner (10:30am to 12:00pm)**
  Mitacs will describe best practices to finding an industry partner.

  If you are interested in attending all or a segment of the presentation, please register at: [Mitacs](http://www.mitacs.ca)
• **New Faculty Highlight:** Welcome to Dr. Deborah Siegal who was previously a Clinical Scholar with the Department of Medicine and came on faculty in January 2017. Dr. Siegal is currently an Assistant Professor in the Division of Hematology and Thromboembolism and an Investigator at the Population Health Research. Her clinical practice includes consultative hematology and thrombosis. Dr. Siegal’s primary research interest is improving outcomes following bleeding complications associated with anticoagulation and diagnostic testing.

If you have anything you would like to share with your colleagues, please submit it to Sara Sellers at sellers@mcmaster.ca

Mark A. Crowther  
Professor and Chair, Department of Medicine
RE: CASCaDe PFD-CHSE Collaboration: Clinician Educator Workshop

Dear Chairs and Department Education Coordinators:

We are pleased to be offering our next CASCaDe Clinician Workshop on developing clinical and educational scholarship. This workshop, held biannually, will help your junior faculty, who are in the Clinician Educator stream, to understand the concepts of clinical scholarship in order to successfully develop their academic careers. It will also enhance the ability of DECs and Chairs to guide faculty during their annual career reviews and promotion to the Associate (Clinical) Professor level.

The CASCaDe Clinician Educator Workshop will be held on Thursday October 19th, 2017 from 6:00 pm-8:30 pm, University Club (Dining Room, lower floor)

Objectives of the Workshop:

• To describe the tenure and promotion process at the Faculty of Health Sciences, McMaster University
• To discuss the Clinician Educator track, focusing on clinical scholarship in promotion and tenure
• To discuss ways of developing and increasing clinical scholarship

Target Audience: Junior faculty in the Clinician Educator Stream who will be reviewed for promotion to the Associate (Clinical) Professor rank within the next 5 years

Cost to Department: Departments that have a funding agreement with PFD are complementary. Departments that do not have a funding agreement with PFD will be billed directly by the Continuing Health Science Education Department in the sum of $100 per registrant (includes venue, materials and accreditation)

Accreditation: This workshop is accredited by McMaster Continuing Health Science Education for a total of 2.5 hours of the RCPSC MOC program and 2.5 hours for the CFPC Mainpro + credits and for 2.5 BEST Academic Pathway hours by the Program for Faculty Development.

Registration: All confirmed Faculty members (eligible for promotion to Associate (Clinical) Professor in the Clinician Educator Stream in the next 5 years) should register as soon as possible if they have not done so. Faculty may Register online at https://www.xcdsystem.com/mcmasterchse/attendee/index.cfm?ID=boDmR1s If you have any difficulties with online registration, please email Melanie Kennedy at cmereg@mcmaster.ca

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Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) Discussion Papers
We have received this information from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada. The Government of Canada is seeking input on their discussion paper on the federal review of the environmental and regulatory processes. A public comment period on the discussion paper is currently underway until August 28, 2017 at Canada.ca/environmental-reviews.

Drawn from extensive consultations, Expert Panel reports and Parliamentary studies conducted over the past 12 months, this paper outlines potential reforms to rebuild trust and modernize Canada’s environmental and regulatory processes, including a review of: the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012, the National Energy Board Act, the Fisheries Act, and the Navigation Protection Act.

The proposed approach outlined in the discussion paper is based on the guiding principles of early, inclusive and meaningful public engagement, Indigenous partnerships, and timely decisions based on the best available science and Indigenous knowledge.

You are invited to share your views until August 28, 2017. All comments received will be made public and posted here online.

Health Research Grant Competitions

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CIHR – International COEN Initiative in Neurodegeneration 2017
This funding opportunity seeks to support world-class research on dementia, contributing to the global pursuit of finding a cure or disease-modifying treatment for dementia by 2025. For more information, please consult the Centres of Excellence in Neurodegeneration (COEN) website.

**Funding Details:** The total amount available for the Canadian portion of this funding opportunity is $666,666, enough to fund approximately two (2) grants. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate. The maximum amount per grant is $166,666 per year for up to two (2) years for a total of $333,333 per grant. CIHR will support only one Canadian team per consortium application.

Additional Details
Internal HRS Deadline: September 5, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: September 19, 2017

CIHR – Catalyst Grant: HPV Screening & Vaccination Implementation in Underserved Populations
This funding opportunity will focus on HPV Vaccination implementation and Screening strategies in underserved populations (i.e. Indigenous populations, Newcomers to Canada, Sex workers, injected-drug users, and remote populations). There will be two funding streams. The first will focus on non-indigenous underserved populations and the second will focus exclusively on Indigenous populations.

**Funding Details:** The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $1,000,000, enough to fund approximately 5 grants. The maximum amount per grant is $200,000 for up to one year.

Additional Details
LOI Deadline: August 29, 2017
Internal HRS Deadline: September 5, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: September 19, 2017

CIHR – Fellowship: Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Program (2017-2018)
The Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships program provides funding to the very best postdoctoral applicants, both nationally and internationally, who will positively contribute to the country's economic, social and research-based growth.

The objective of the Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships program is to:
- attract and retain top-tier postdoctoral talent, both nationally and internationally
- develop their leadership potential
- position them for success as research leaders of tomorrow

**Funding Details:** $70,000 per year for 2 years (non-renewable)

Additional Details
Contact Antonella Masciantonio in Graduate Studies to Apply
Sponsor Deadline: September 20, 2017

CIHR – Doctoral Research Award: 2017-2018
The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are:
- To provide recognition and funding to students early in their academic research career, providing them with an opportunity to gain research experience;
- To provide a reliable supply of highly skilled and qualified researchers.

**Funding Details:** For this competition, applications will be accepted in all areas of health research, including biomedical, clinical, health services and social, cultural, environmental, and population health.
- It is anticipated that approximately $14 million over three years will be available for the CGS-D competition, enough to fund approximately 133 awards.
• It is anticipated that approximately $1.05 million over three years will be available for the DFSA competition, enough to fund approximately 10 awards.
• Trainee stipend: $30,000 per annum.
• Research allowance: $5,000 per annum

Additional Details
Contact Antonella Masciantonio in Graduate Studies to Apply
Sponsor Deadline: October 3, 2017

CIHR – Doctoral Research Award: Fall 2017 Priority Announcement (Specific Research Areas)
Priority Announcements on Doctoral Research Award competitions offer additional sources of funding for highly rated applications that are relevant to specific CIHR research priority areas or mandates. Applications are submitted through the "201710MDR" competition of the Doctoral Research Award: 2017-2018 funding opportunity.
Doctoral Research Awards are intended to provide special recognition and support to students who are pursuing a PhD degree in a health-related field in Canada or abroad. These candidates are expected to have an exceptionally high potential for future research achievement and productivity.

Funding Details: The maximum amount awarded for a single award is $35,000 per annum for up to three (3) years.

Additional Details
Contact Antonella Masciantonio in Graduate Studies to Apply
Sponsor Deadline: October 3, 2017

CIHR – Operating Grant: HIV/AIDS Community-Based Research (2017-2018)
The Operating Grant: HIV/AIDS Community-Based Research is expected to:
• Promote the creation of new knowledge that addresses gaps in the care cascade and reduces the incidence of new infections in high risk groups by focusing research on prevention efforts relevant to communities affected by HIV in Canada and aligns with the goals of the Federal Initiative;
• Promote the dissemination of new knowledge and uptake of evidence into action to enhance the community response to the HIV/AIDS epidemic;
• Develop partnerships between researchers and affected communities;
• Build capacity in the knowledge user community to engage in research and use evidence in their everyday business;
• Build the next generation of HIV/AIDS CBR researchers through meaningful engagement of trainees in high quality CBR projects.

Funding Details: The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $2,700,000, enough to fund approximately six grants. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate. The maximum amount per grant is $150,000 per year for up to three years for a total of $450,000, per grant. Of this $2,700,000:
• $1,800,000 is available to fund four applications relevant to the General Stream.
• $900,000 is available to fund two applications relevant to the Indigenous Stream

Additional Details
Internal HRS Deadline: September 19, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: October 3, 2017
CIHR – Catalyst Grant: HIV/AIDS Community-Based Research (2017)
The Catalyst Grant: HIV/AIDS Community-Based Research funding opportunity is expected to:

- Catalyze future applications for more comprehensive community-based research grants that focus on the development and/or implementation of interventions for the prevention of HIV and/or gaps in the care cascade.
- Support partnerships between communities affected by HIV in Canada and researchers to facilitate the conduct of community-based research.

**Funding Details:** The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $480,000, enough to fund approximately 12 grants. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate. The maximum amount per grant is $40,000 for up to one year. Of this $480,000:

- $240,000 is available to fund six applications relevant to the General Stream
- $240,000 is available to fund six applications relevant to the Indigenous Stream

**Additional Details**
Internal HRS Deadline: September 19, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: October 3, 2017

CIHR – Clinician-Scientist Salary Award: 2017-2018
The Clinician-Scientist Salary Award program is expected:

- To provide salary support for up to six years to clinician scientists.
- To provide a reliable supply of highly skilled and qualified clinician scientists.

**Funding Details:** The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $900,000 over three years, enough to fund approximately three awards.

- The maximum amount per award is $100,000 for up to three years.
  - Salary contribution: $60,000 per annum, including fringe benefits.
  - Research allowance: $40,000 per annum (for the first three years only, not available for renewal awards)
- The applicant will receive three years of support, renewable once for a total of six years.

**Additional Details**
Internal HRS Deadline: September 19, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: October 3, 2017

CIHR – Operating Grant: Secondary Data Analysis
The Secondary Data Analysis Dynamic Cohort funding opportunity is expected to:

- Support cross-jurisdictional research on complex, high system users in Canada.
- Promote the use of the CIHR/CIHI Dynamic Cohort datasets.
- Promote effective knowledge translation through continuous and sustained interactions between researchers and end-users of this research.

**Funding Details:** The total amount available is $420,000, enough to fund approximately 6 grants. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate. The maximum amount per grant is $70,000 per year for up to 1 year.

**Additional Details**
Internal HRS Deadline: September 19, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: October 3, 2017
CIHR – Catalyst Grant: Global Governance AMR & Related Infectious Disease Threats

The Catalyst Grant: Global Governance of Antimicrobial Resistance and Related Infectious Disease Threats is expected to support mapping, collaboration, team-building, piloting, and mobilization work. Specifically, the objectives are to:

- Advance capacity-building efforts through the identification of existing research expertise in global governance arrangements, structures, and institutions in the areas of AMR and related infectious disease threats, and identify any gaps that may exist;
- Encourage collective action by identifying the similarities, differences, and common issues among global governance arrangements related to AMR and those related to other types of infectious disease threats;
- Initiate the mobilization of interdisciplinary Canadian health and social scientists, as well as knowledge users in the area of global governance to support the eventual creation of a dynamic, coherent, and strong Canadian centre/network that can position itself to conduct international, intersectoral, and interdisciplinary research and to participate in broader international collaborations; and
- Facilitate interdisciplinary national and/or international collaborations, resource alignment and sharing, capacity-building, and knowledge sharing among researchers and knowledge users, working on global governance and tackling AMR and related infectious disease threats.

Funding Details: Maximum $100,000 per year for up to one year.

Additional Details
Internal HRS Deadline: October 3, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: October 17, 2017

CIHR – Catalyst Grant: Indigenous Approaches to Wellness Research

The Indigenous Approaches to Wellness funding opportunity is expected to:

- Build evidence through the application of Indigenous Ways of Knowing to understand factors and concepts related to Indigenous wellness;
- Begin the mobilization of this evidence towards assisting Indigenous Peoples and communities to achieve wellness;
- Support the development of future applications for more comprehensive community-based research that explores existing, unique and/or novel ideas that promote Indigenous wellness;
- Increase Indigenous health research leadership capacity and development by engaging communities to establish strong and sustainable community partnerships; and
- Support high quality CBR processes that foster transformational outcomes and knowledge mobilization activities.

Funding Details: The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $2,100,000, enough to fund approximately 14 grants. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate. The maximum amount per grant is $150,000 for one year.

Additional Details
LOI Deadline: September 19, 2017
Internal HRS Deadline: October 3, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: October 17, 2017

CIHR – Postdoctoral Fellowship Award Competition: 2017-2018

Fellowships provide support for highly qualified candidates in all areas of health research at the post-PhD degree or post-health professional degree stages to add to their experience by engaging in health research either in Canada or abroad.

Funding Details: The maximum amount awarded for a single award is up to $60,000 per annum for up to 5 years.

Additional Details
Contact Correen Smith in Graduate Studies to Apply
Sponsor Deadline: November 1, 2017
The Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship (Vanier CGS) was created to attract and retain world-class doctoral students and to establish Canada as a global centre of excellence in research and higher learning. It is available to both Canadian and international PhD students studying at Canadian universities.

The program is jointly administered by Canada’s three federal granting agencies: the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). CIHR has been designated as the operational lead for the implementation of the program.

Funding Details: The total amount for this funding opportunity is $24,900,000, enough to fund approximately 166 awards. The maximum amount per award is $50,000 per year for 3 years. This funding is non-renewable.

Additional Details
Contact Correen Smith in Graduate Studies to Apply
Sponsor Deadline: November 1, 2017

Fellowships provide support for highly qualified applicants in all areas of health research at the post-PhD degree or post-health professional degree stages to add to their experience by engaging in health research either in Canada or abroad.

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are:

- To provide recognition and funding to academic researchers;
- To provide a reliable supply of highly skilled and qualified researchers.

Funding Details: The maximum amount awarded for a single award is up to $60,000 per annum for up to 5 years. The value and duration of each award is determined by the degree(s) held, licensure (where applicable), location of tenure and experience of the applicant.

Additional Details
Contact Correen Smith in Graduate Studies to Apply
Sponsor Deadline: November 1, 2017

The specific objective of the Fellowship Priority Announcement (Specific Research Areas) is to offer additional sources of funding for highly rated applications that are relevant to specific CIHR research priority areas and mandates. Funds are available to encourage and support applications in specific areas that are aligned with CIHR's research priority areas and mandates.

CIHR Research Priority Areas

- Clinical Nutrition
- Diabetes
- Gastroenterology
- HIV/AIDS
- Research in First Nations, Métis and/or Inuit Health

Funding Details: The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $600,000, enough to fund approximately two (2) awards. This amount may increase if additional funding partners or internal collaborators decide to participate. The maximum amount awarded for a single award is $60,000 per annum for up to five (5) years.

Additional Details
Contact Correen Smith in Graduate Studies to Apply
Sponsor Deadline: November 1, 2017
CIHR – Healthy and Productive Work – Partnership Grants

Building on the Partnership Development Grant phase, the specific objectives of Phase 2: Healthy and Productive Work (HPW) Partnership Grants are:

Through formal partnerships and stakeholder engagement:

1. Develop evidence about interventions that enable healthy and productive work using methods that integrate the health and social sciences and humanities fields.
2. Develop evidence-informed approaches and mechanisms for effective implementation, evaluation and scaling up of interventions that enable healthy and productive work.
3. Build capacity and infrastructure for measuring and demonstrating the broader health and economic impacts of these interventions and policies.
4. Expand the evidence base and research capacity in the integration of sex- and gender-based analysis with respect to healthy and productive work—from research design to intervention development, implementation, evaluation and scale-up, as well as the evaluation of eventual health and economic impacts.
5. Develop the next generation of researchers focused on healthy and productive work through engagement of trainees in high quality projects.

Funding Details: The total amount available for Phase 2 is $11,400,000, enough to fund approximately 8 Partnership Grants. The maximum amount per grant is $ 325,000 per year for up to 4 years.

- Each grant will be jointly funded by SSHRC and CIHR. The maximum annual investment per project will be $200,000 from CIHR and $125,000 from SSHRC.
- An additional fifth year valued at up to $125,000 for connection activities (e.g., workshops, colloquiums, conferences, forums or other events or outreach activities) is also available from SSHRC’s allocations.

Additional Details
Internal HRS Deadline: October 18, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: November 1, 2017


The Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research (SPOR) Collaboration Grants are expected to catalyze patient-oriented research that aligns with the SPOR Capacity Development Framework and the SPOR Patient Engagement Framework by:

Building capacity in Canada’s health system for patient-oriented research through projects conducted by teams comprised of researchers, patients, health care professionals and/or policy-makers; and,

Increasing the number of new/early career investigators meaningfully involved in patient-oriented research by integrating them in patient-oriented research teams.

Funding Details: The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $1,600,000, enough to fund approximately 40 grants. The maximum amount per grant is $40,000 per year for up to one year.

Additional Details
Internal HRS Deadline: October 31, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: November 14, 2017
CIHR – Operating Grant: SPOR PIHCI Network: Programmatic Grants
The objective of this funding opportunity is to support cross-jurisdictional programs of research that respond to the priorities of the Primary and Integrated Health Care Innovations (PIHCI) Network in order to generate findings that will guide evidence-informed policy decision-making, with the intent of having an impact on the health system for all Canadians within four years.

Funding Details: The total amount available from CIHR for this funding opportunity is $4,000,000, enough to fund approximately four grants. The maximum amount per grant is $250,000 per year for up to four years for a total of $1,000,000 per grant.

• Funding under SPOR is based on a 1:1 matching formula with non-federal sources to ensure relevance and applicability.

Additional Details
LOI Deadline: September 26, 2017
Internal HRS Deadline: November 14, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: November 28, 2017

CIHR – Operating Grant: SPOR Innovative Clinical Trial Multi-Year Grant (2017)
The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are to:

• Enable new and established investigators to undertake innovative clinical trials in using new or existing methods;
• Support the development and testing of innovative methods;
• Build capacity for iCT research through training and mentoring.

Funding Details: The total of this funding opportunity is $9,000,000, enough to fund approximately six (6) grants. The maximum amount per grant is $375,000 per year for up to four years for a total of $1,500,000. Funding is based on a 1:1 matching formula with non-federal government partners to ensure relevance and applicability.

Additional Details
LOI deadline: September 12, 2017
Internal HRS Deadline: January 2, 2018
Sponsor Deadline: January 16, 2018

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS): Grants
The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s (LLS) Career Development Program (CDP) provides stipends so that you can devote yourself to researching questions of direct relevance to hematological malignancies and/or relevant pre-malignant conditions. The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society has announced 5 new career development program grants. Please refer to additional details link for more information from the LLS website.

Funding Details:

• Scholar Grant – $100,000 per year for 5 years
• Scholar in Clinical Research Grant – $125,000 per year for 5 years
• Special Fellow Grant (2 Year Award) – $67,000 per year for 2 years
• Special Fellow Grant (3 Year Award) – $67,000 per year for 3 years
• Fellow Grant – $60,000 per year for 3 years

Additional Details
LOI Deadline: September 1, 2017
Defence Research and Development Canada (DRDC), Canadian Institute for Military and Veteran Health Research (CIMVHR): Request for Proposals – “Towards reducing musculoskeletal injuries in the Canadian Armed Forces”

Defence Research and Development Canada (DRDC), is looking for an epidemiologist or a health care practitioner in a community health setting to generate and analyze a comprehensive list of DRDC’s records and data, to assist them in creating a strategy to monitor and reduce the impact of musculoskeletal injuries (MSK’s) in the Canadian Armed Forces population. The Canadian Institute for Military and Veteran Health Research (CIMVHR) has entered into partnership with the Government of Canada to procure Research and Development Services related to the mental, social and physical wellbeing of active military members, Veterans and their families. CIMVHR is seeking Notices of Interest from qualified researchers or a research team to produce this work.

**Funding Details:** Approximately $30,000 for one year.

**Additional Details**

**Internal HRS Deadline:** August 28, 2017

**Sponsor Deadline:** September 11, 2017

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**Spencer Foundation: Midcareer Grant Program**

The Spencer Foundation is pleased to announce the 2017 award cycle of its grant program to enrich the work of academic midcareer scholars who are seven to twenty years post doctorate. This targeted program provides support for those who are interested in advancing their understanding of a compelling problem of education by acquiring new skills, substantive knowledge, theoretical perspectives or methodological tools. It is not intended to encourage researchers to abandon their existing area of expertise, but rather to build on, enrich, and extend that training with the acquisition of new methodological tools and/or perspectives about a subject to which they have been deeply committed throughout their academic career.

**Funding Details:** Up to $150,000 for 1 year

**Additional Details**

**Internal HRS Deadline:** August 31, 2017

**Sponsor Deadline:** September 14, 2017

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**HHS Clinical Health Professional Travel Awards**

The Clinical Health Professionals Research Travel Award provides support for eligible non-physician Health Professionals to present their work at a scientific meeting of relevance to their practice/research.

**Funding Details:** maximum of $2,500 for a national conference or $3,500 for international (funds in Canadian dollars)

**Additional Details**

**Sponsor Deadline:** September 15, 2017

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**HHS New Investigator Fund (NIF)**

Hamilton Health Sciences’ commitment to “first stage” research led to the creation of the New Investigator Fund (NIF). The fund is an integration of the former HHS Foundation Young Investigator Grants and the HHS Research Development Fund, and provides a unique opportunity to foster and support a culture of inquiry for novice investigators under the mentorship of senior staff. The NIF provides project funding to front-line staff (healthcare professionals and medical staff) towards research initiatives directly relevant to the clinical mission and research strategic direction of Hamilton Health Sciences.

**Funding Details:** Maximum of $50,000 per project.

**Additional Details**

**Sponsor Deadline:** September 15, 2017
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Partnership Engage Grants
Partnership Engage Grants are expected to respond to the objectives of the Insight program and the Connection program. They provide short-term and timely support for partnered research activities that will inform decision-making at a single partner organization from the public, private or not-for-profit sector. The small-scale, stakeholder-driven partnerships supported through the Partnership Engage Grants are meant to respond to immediate needs and time constraints facing organizations in non-academic sectors. In addressing an organization-specific need, challenge and/or opportunity, these partnerships let non-academic organizations and postsecondary researchers access each other’s unique knowledge, expertise and capabilities on topics of mutual interest.
SSHRC welcomes applications involving Aboriginal research, as well as those involving research-creation.

Funding Details: Maximum $25,000 for one year
Additional Details
Sponsor Deadline: September 15, 2017
*To Apply, Contact Pam McIntyre, Senior Advisor, Development, ROADS at mcintyp@mcmaster.ca extension 23713*

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Postdoctoral Fellowships
SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowships support the most promising Canadian new scholars in the social sciences and humanities, and assist them in establishing a research base at an important time in their research careers.
SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship proposals are expected to respond to the objectives of the Talent program.
SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowships provide stipendiary support to recent PhD graduates who are:
- undertaking original research;
- publishing research findings;
- developing and expanding personal research networks;
- broadening their teaching experience;
- preparing for research-intensive careers within and beyond academia; and
- preparing to become competitive in national research grant competitions.
Fellowships will normally be awarded to candidates affiliated with a university other than that which awarded the PhD. SSHRCPostdoctoral Fellowship awards are tenable at Canadian or foreign universities and research institutions. SSHRC welcomes applications involving Aboriginal research, as well as those involving research-creation.

Funding Details: $40,500 per year for up to 2 years.
Additional Details
Sponsor Deadline: September 20, 2017
*To Apply, Contact Pam McIntyre, Senior Advisor, Development, ROADS at mcintyp@mcmaster.ca extension 23713*

Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA): 2017-18 Quebec-Ontario Cooperation for Agri-Food Research Competition
One of the aims of the Ontario-Quebec Trade and Cooperation Agreement is to improve the competitive position of the agriculture and agri-processing sectors. Both provinces recognize the mutual benefits of developing common responses to the challenges facing these sectors.
The competition objectives are as follows:
- develop solutions to agri-food issues shared by Quebec and Ontario
- encourage partnerships between Quebec and Ontario researchers
- enhance graduate student training through internships in the cooperating province

Funding Details: Awards of up to $250,000 per project are available (to be shared equally between an Ontario and Quebec applicant). Projects can be up to three years in length.

Additional Details
Internal HRS Deadline: September 6, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: September 20, 2017
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS): Specialized Center of Research Program

LLS’s Specialized Center of Research (SCOR) grant program is intended to bring together established investigators from one or several institutions to develop a focused research program, foster new interactions and cooperation, and enhance interdisciplinary research among the participants. The overall goal of this mechanism is to enhance the development of innovative strategies for the treatment, diagnosis or prevention of hematological malignancies. Strategies that move discoveries from the bench to the clinic are of high importance as are integrated translational projects. A major focus is translatability to the clinic within the time frame of the SCOR, or shortly after the grant term ends.

**Funding Details:** The maximal annual total cost is $1,000,000 for each year of the five year grant. The maximum annual direct cost is $833,333.33 while the maximum annual indirect cost is $166,666.66.

Additional Details

**LOI Deadline:** September 22, 2017 3:00 PM ET

Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation – Nurse Researcher Fellowship

The Nurse Researcher Fellowship grant aims to support early career nurse researchers who will be guided in their projects by a mentor and their institution. The fellowship’s goal is to train Ph.D. and Masters level nurse researchers to initiate and lead a multi-site research project. With support from an experienced nurse research mentor identified by ALSF, fellowship recipients will develop a team within their own institutions as well as partnerships at other institutions to implement their proposed research study. A formal curriculum focuses on developing multi-site investigator skills as part of the Fellowship.

**Funding Details:** This grant totals $100,000 over 2 years. Successful completion of the Fellowship should position investigators to apply for the ALSF Nursing Discovery grant or NIH research grants.

Additional Details

**Internal HRS Deadline:** September 1, 2017

**Sponsor Deadline:** September 25, 2017 at 11:59PM (Eastern Time)

The Kidney Foundation of Canada – 2018 Biomedical Research Grant Competition

The Kidney Foundation of Canada has established a national goal of encouraging and supporting research that may further the current knowledge pertaining to the kidney or improve health in areas relevant to the Vision and Mission of the Foundation. The Foundation wishes to point out that it is seeking grant applications that are relevant to its Vision and Mission. The Foundation reserves the right to make a decision on the relevance of a given project to basic and clinical kidney disease. Applications deemed irrelevant will not be funded regardless of the excellence of the science. The intent of the KFOC is to fund the best kidney research conducted at Canadian universities or other recognized Canadian academic institutions.

**Funding Details:** Up to $50,000 per year for up to 3 years.

Additional Details

**LOI Deadline:** September 1, 2017

**Internal HRS Deadline:** September 15, 2017

**Sponsor Deadline:** October 1, 2017

Cystic Fibrosis Canada: Research Programs and Research Awards

Cystic Fibrosis Canada has announced the following:

1) **Research Programs: Basic Science Research Grants** and **Clinical Research Grants**
   - **Basic Science**, the objective: to support innovative, basic science research projects that improve our understanding of CF and/or have a significant impact on the concepts, methods, treatments and/or technologies applicable to CF.
   - **Clinical**, the objective: to support clinical research projects that improve the health and/or quality of life of CF patients and/or bridge the gap between research and clinical care. (review Application form for accessing [Canadian CF Registry Data](http://www.cysticfibrosis.ca/our-programs/cf-registry/requesting-canadian-cf-registry-data))

2) **Early Career Investigator Awards**, the objective: to provide early career investigators an opportunity to develop outstanding CF research programs and build a team, through operating grant support, without having to compete against established investigators.
Funding Details:
- **Basic Science**: The amount of a grant will be approved by the Board of Directors, with recommendations from the scientific review panel and Research Advisory Council, following a detailed review of the applicant’s proposed budget. (maximum 3 years, renewable 1-3 years)
- **Clinical**: same as above (maximum 3 years, renewable 1-3 years)
- **Early Career Investigator**: (same as above) (duration: 1 or 2 years)
- **Travel allowance for all the above**: $1,565 per year

**Additional Details**
**Internal HRS Deadline**: September 18, 2017
**Sponsor Deadline**: October 2, 2017

**Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada: Operating Grants**
The Operating Grant Program is intended to support various research operations in all aspects of multiple sclerosis (MS) and defray the normal operating costs of carrying out a specific research proposal. The MS Society welcomes applications that are fundamental as well as applied studies, nonclinical or clinical in nature, including projects in patient management, care and rehabilitation.
Based on the nature of the research, the candidate can apply for one of the following awards:
- Operating grant: Biomedical research
- Operating grant: Clinical and Population Health research

**Funding Details**:
- **Biomedical Research** – Approximately $100,000 per year for up to three years (renewable).
- **Clinical and Population Health Research** – Approximately $100,000 for up to three years (renewable).

**Additional Details**
**Internal HRS Deadline**: September 18, 2017
**Sponsor Deadline**: October 2, 2017

**Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada: Clinical and Population Health Pilot Grant**
The pilot grant program awards seed funding that allows researchers to develop and test new and innovative research questions and pursue pioneering approaches that have the potential to impact the MS field in topics related to Clinical and Population Health (CPH). Objectives of the pilot grant program are to enable researchers to test novel and high-potential MS research ideas, collect key preliminary data to support further research, test the feasibility of a study design, concept, or intervention on a small scale, and to provide researchers a trajectory to larger grant competitions. Projects that are extensions of ongoing research that have ample supporting data will not be considered.

**Funding Details**: Approximately $50,000 for up to 2 years (non-renewable).

**Additional Details**
**Internal HRS Deadline**: September 18, 2017
**Sponsor Deadline**: October 2, 2017
**Women’s College Hospital, Women’s Xchange: $15K Challenge**

Women’s Xchange is offering grants to support research projects that address women’s health issues at the local level. Potential Projects may include:

- Identifying unmet needs within a defined community
- Exploring or testing effective solutions to problems
- Increasing the understanding of factors that influence women’s health

This award is available to community organizations or to collaborations between community organizations. Academic organizations can only apply to this funding stream when partnered with a community organization.

**Funding Details:** $15,000/year for one year (non-renewable)

**Additional Details**

**LOI Deadline:** September 4, 2017  
**Internal HRS Deadline:** September 21, 2017  
**Sponsor Deadline:** October 5, 2017

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**Fulbright Scholar Program: Fulbright Arctic Initiative**

Selected scholars will participate in an individual Fulbright exchange of a minimum of six weeks and a maximum of three months, as well as in-person seminars and ongoing virtual communication, all supporting the scholars’ required collaborative research projects. Scholars will be selected on the basis of an individual research project linked to an exchange visit and potential to collaborate in a group research project in one of two thematic areas described below.

- Resilient Communities
- Sustainable Economies

**Funding Details:** $40,000 USD for the duration of the program (18 mos.)

**Additional Details**

**Internal HRS Deadline:** October 2, 2017  
**Sponsor Deadline:** October 16, 2017

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**HHS JHCCF Fall 2017 Research Grant**

Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre Foundation’s (JHCCF) main purpose is to champion and advance the vision and mandate of the Juravinski Cancer Program (JCP). As part of its commitment to research, the Foundation sponsors a Research Grant Program that awards funding through a rigorous peer reviewed application process, once or twice yearly.

To be eligible, the principal investigator or co-principal investigator must work at Hamilton Health Sciences (HHS) or be a full member of the Department of Oncology at McMaster University.

**Funding Details:** Total Research Funds Available – $400,000

- Research Development Grants – Maximum Funding $50,000
- Thematic Research Grants – Maximum Funding $100,000
- Research Specific Topics
  - BRIGHT Run – $100,000 available in support of Breast Cancer Research
  - Kuhn Award in Memory of Jay Kuhn – $10,000 available in support of Hodgkin Disease or non-Hodgkin Lymphoma Research

**Additional Details**

**Sponsor Deadline:** October 23, 2017

*For Additional Information please contact Gwen Flynn, Donor Relations and Grant Associate at flynngwen@hhsc.ca*
**HHS Health Professional Investigator (HPI) Operating Grant**
The HPI Operating Grant provides project funding to non-physician principal investigators (PI) who are HHS-employed healthcare professionals. Inter-professional teams, which include physicians, are encouraged, but physicians are not eligible to apply as lead PI for this grant. The HPI Operating Grant is for research initiatives directly relevant to the clinical mission and priorities of HHS (Patients, People, Sustainability, Innovation and Learning). The grant objective is to provide support for pilot studies or research projects that have the potential to lead to larger projects and the possibility of external funding. The HPI Operating Grant offers an opportunity to foster and support a culture of inquiry for early investigators under the mentorship of experienced researchers.

**Funding Details:** up to $15,000 per grant, three grants available for a one-year term.

**Additional Details**
**Sponsor Deadline:** October 28, 2017

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**Canadian Orthopaedic Foundation: Canadian Orthopaedic Research Legacy (CORL) Grant**
In this proposal, applicants are expected to provide a systematic, logical description of the project or line of research, which demonstrates familiarity with the subject matter and a carefully formulated plan of implementation. The rationale, the project plan, the methods and procedures to be used, the mode of analysis to be employed should be clearly outlined. In general terms, the proposal describes the work, proceeding from general theoretical considerations to the specific project, culminating in a budget. The budget qualifies the work in terms of personnel, materials, services or other requirements.

**Funding Details:** Maximum $20,000 for one year.

**Additional Details**
**Internal HRS Deadline:** October 17, 2017
**Sponsor Deadline:** October 31, 2017

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**Canadian Orthopaedic Foundation: J. Edouard Samson Award**
The premier award for orthopaedic research in Canada, the J. Edouard Samson Award, recognizes the best career orthopaedic research over a period of five (5) years or more at a Canadian centre. This $30,000 award is intended to promote further research by the recipient. The recipient will present his/her research at the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Orthopaedic Association (presentation opportunity to be determined). The award consists of an educational grant and a personal research grant to be used by the recipient at the Canadian institution where he/she currently resides.

**Funding Details:** $30,000 award

**Additional Details**
**Internal HRS Deadline:** October 17, 2017
**Sponsor Deadline:** October 31, 2017

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**Michael G. DeGroote Fellowship Awards**
Awards are available in two categories: the Michael G. DeGroote Fellowship Award in Basic Biomedical Science and the Michael G. DeGroote Fellowship Award in Clinical Research. Candidates conducting basic science research are eligible for the Basic Biomedical Science Fellowship Award and those pursuing clinical research are eligible for the Clinical Research Fellowship Award. Applicants must identify in their application which award they are applying for. Separate selection committees will review the respective applicants for each award.

**Funding Details:** Each award provides non-renewable funding of $50,000 for one year for successful applicants. The funding is comprised of $40,000 from the Michael G. DeGroote Health Sciences Development Fund and $10,000 contributed by the applicant’s supervisor.

**Additional Details**
**Sponsor Deadline:** November 1, 2017

*To apply, visit [http://fhs.mcmaster.ca/mgdfa/](http://fhs.mcmaster.ca/mgdfa/) and apply online.*
Physicians’ Services Inc. Foundation Funding Opportunity: Graham Farquharson Knowledge Translation Fellowship 2018

This Fellowship is intended to provide salary support for a new Ontario investigator, who has demonstrated the ability to successfully complete high impact knowledge translation research. The Fellowship’s funds, dedicated to salary support, must protect at least 50% of the Fellow’s time to conduct such research.

**Funding Details:** $150,000 per year for two (2) years OR $100,000 per year for three (3) years.

**Additional Details**

**LOI Deadline:** September 15, 2017  
**Internal HRS Deadline:** November 1, 2017  
**Sponsor Deadline:** November 6, 2017

For more information please contact Catherine Gill Pottruff x22057

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS): Translational Research Program

The LLS Translational Research Program was created in 1995 with the goal of accelerating clinical applications of laboratory findings relevant to improved diagnosis and management of leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma and other hematopoietic malignancies. In particular, the LLS Research staff and Medical and Scientific Affairs Committee encourage the submission of research proposals that are designed to accomplish one of the following:

- Personalized medicine approach for cancer treatment.
- Development of novel therapies and/or novel therapeutic strategies including those that target mutational and epigenetic events within the microenvironment.
- Improvements of safety and efficacy of stem cell transplantation.
- Long-term outcome assessment following therapies.
- Progress in understanding neoplastic stem cell growth and differentiation as well as cancer cell/microenvironmental interactions especially with translation to novel therapies.
- While significant progress has been made against some of the pediatric diseases, LLS recognizes and calls for proposals designed to advance therapies in pediatric indications with novel approaches or to minimize therapy-related effects of existing treatments.

**Funding Details:** Limited to a maximum of $200,000 (direct costs and a maximum overhead of $19,982 or 11.1% of direct costs) per year for 3 years.

**Additional Details**

**LOI Deadline:** September 29, 2017  
**Internal HRS Deadline:** November 1, 2017  
**Sponsor Deadline:** November 15, 2017

Fulbright Canada: Awards for Canadian Scholars

Fulbright Canada has announced the following Awards for Canadian Scholars:

1) **Canadian Traditional Scholar Awards**, the objective:
   - 1) To support Canadian scholars in all disciplines,
   - 2) To enable emerging and established scholars, post-doctoral researchers and experienced professionals to conduct research, teach, or undertake a combination of both activities at any university or research center of their choice, in the United States. Fulbright Canada is particularly interested in encouraging research on contemporary issues relevant to Canada, the United States, and the relationship between the two countries.([http://www.fulbright.ca/programs/canadian-scholars/traditional-awards.html](http://www.fulbright.ca/programs/canadian-scholars/traditional-awards.html))

2) **Canadian Visiting Research Chairs**: are pre-arranged affiliations that allow scholars to conduct research/lecture on subjects important to that university. Fulbright Visiting Research Chairs may guest lecture in university courses, mentor students, lecture in public venues, network and promote their research while representing the Fulbright program, their home and host institutions.([http://www.fulbright.ca/programs/canadian-scholars/visiting-chairs-program.html](http://www.fulbright.ca/programs/canadian-scholars/visiting-chairs-program.html))
Funding Details:
- **Canadian Traditional Scholar Awards**: The award is valued at $12,500 USD for 1 semester (4 months)
- **Canadian Visiting Research Chairs**: The award is valued at $25,000 USD for 1 semester (4 months)
- Both awards beginning in either September 2018 or January 2019.

**Additional Details:**
**Internal HRS Deadline: November 1, 2017**
**Sponsor Deadline: November 15, 2017**

**Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS): RTFCCR/LLS Patient-Focused Prevention**
The Rising Tide Foundation for Clinical Cancer Research and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society are partnering once again to launch an international competitive grant to advance breakthroughs in prevention for blood cancers. The grant is focused on addressing four critical topics:
- Clinical Trials
- Biomarker Evaluation
- Use experimental systems
- Drug the “undruggable”

The grants must be translational in nature. Ideally, the applications will have a clinical trial proposed, or could lead to a clinical trial. Applications that are solely laboratory-based without consideration of using patient samples or future clinical testing will not be accepted for review.

**Funding Details**: This grant totals USD $3 million; 3-5 grants will be awarded ranging from $0.6 – 1.2 M each.

**Additional Details**
**LOI Deadline: October 1, 2017**
**Internal HRS Deadline: January 18, 2018**
**Sponsor Deadline: February 1, 2018**

**Spencer Foundation: Lyle Spencer Research Awards, Advancing Understanding of Education Practice and Its Improvement**
The objective of the Lyle Spencer Research Award is to support intellectually ambitious, large-scale education research projects across a variety of disciplines and fields. Spencer intends through this endeavor to press colleagues in the research community to raise their level of intellectual ambition, to encourage work that is more 1) thoughtful, 2) critical of prevailing assumptions, 3) self-critical regarding his/her work and its limitations, 4) relevant to the aim of building knowledge for improved educational practice.

**Funding Details**: Lyle Spencer Research Award budgets are limited to $1,000,000, including indirect costs

**Additional Details**
**LOI deadline: October 12, 2017**
**Sponsor Deadline (By invite only): February 2018**

**Canadian Foundation for Dietetic Research: CFDR 2018 Research Grant**
The objective of the CFDR is to fund research projects in nutrition and dietetics to
1) Contribute to the existing knowledge base
2) Enhance dietetic practice, and
3) Ultimately build a healthier Canada.

Grants are awarded in the following categories:
- Outcomes of intervention: objective measures of the effect of a nutrition intervention in all practice areas.
- New roles for Dietitians in meeting health needs of all Canadians: implementation and evaluation of novel service delivery in new environments.
- Identification of vulnerable groups and their nutritional needs: enhanced understanding of who are the nutritionally vulnerable, their nutritional needs, and means to address these needs.
Determinants of food choice: identification of factors and attitudes that influence the food choices made by consumers.

**Funding Details:** CFDR’s maximum grant size is $20,000. This includes dissemination/travel costs of up to $1,000.

**Additional Details**

**LOI deadline:** September 15, 2017
**Internal HRS Deadline:** February 15, 2018
**Sponsor Deadline (By invite only):** March 1, 2018

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**2019 Networks of Centres of Excellence Competition**

The Networks of Centres of Excellence (NCE) is pleased to announce the launch of a competition for NCE networks. The funding available is $75 million over five years. Approximately 40% of the budget will be allocated to fund new networks that meet the threshold of excellence in all criteria. While it is anticipated that at least 40% of the budget will fund new networks, no portion of the budget will be specifically reserved for either new or established networks. As in all NCE competitions, funds will be allocated to the most meritorious applications that meet the threshold of excellence in all criteria.

Networks must be challenge-focused and solution-driven. They are expected to foster innovative research, training and the co-creation of new knowledge on critical issues of intellectual, social, economic and cultural significance. They must engage partners in the design and execution of all network activities, including knowledge creation, mobilization and exploitation.

Both new and established networks are eligible to apply for funding in this competition. Established networks are defined as NCE networks that have been awarded NCE funds for all available funding cycles and whose final NCE funding term has ended or will end by March 2019.

Networks are expected to promote equity, diversity and inclusion within the structure of the proposed network and its activities.

**Funding Details:** The total budget for this competition is currently set at $75M over 5 years ($15M/year). Approximately 40% of this budget will be allocated to fund new networks that meet the threshold of excellence.

**Additional Details**

**DRAFT LOI to HRS for review due:** October 16, 2017
**LOI due to NCE:** November 15, 2017
**Sponsor Deadline (By invite only):** July, 2018

*If you plan to submit an LOI please notify Tracy Arabski, Associate Director, HRS, at arabski@mcmaster.ca or ext. 22515*

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**MITACS Globalink Research Award – Special Opportunity**

The Mitacs Globalink Research Award supports international research collaboration. Special research funding is available for graduate students with uncertain status in their current location, to conduct research at a Canadian university.

**Funding Details:**

- $5,000 award from Mitacs to support student travel and accommodation expenses, research-related expenses, and student stipend
- 12-24 week project at a Canadian university Supervised by Canadian faculty
- Applications are accepted at any time and will be processed as received.

**Additional Details**

**Sponsor Deadline:** Ongoing
Canadian Institute for Advanced Research (CIFAR), Call for Proposals: International & Interdisciplinary Research Workshops – Open Call

CIFAR is announcing the launch of a new opportunity to explore key questions of global importance that can best be addressed through interdisciplinary, international teams. We have designed a research workshop program for short-term, time-limited interactions of 10 to 20 people.

Funding Details: A high-level budget is required for up to a maximum of $50,000 CAD

Additional Details
Sponsor Deadline: Ongoing

Simons Foundation, Simons Foundation Autism Research Initiative (SFARI): SFARI Explorer Award

This award program is designed to enhance our existing support of autism research by providing timely resources to enable focused experiments highly relevant to our mission. A deeper understanding of the mechanisms underlying autism spectrum disorders or potential therapeutic approaches will require investigation at multiple levels, including but not limited to studies focused on gene discovery, molecular mechanisms, circuits, anatomy, and cognition and behavior. We will consider proposals at all of these levels.

Funding Details: SFARI will support applications for maximum of $70,000, including indirect costs, for one year, non-renewable.

Additional Details
Sponsor Deadline: Ongoing

Department of Defense Epilepsy Research Program (ERP) Funding Opportunities for Fiscal Year 2017

The ERP’s mission is to fund research to understand the magnitude, and the underlying mechanisms of Post-Traumatic Epilepsy (PTE), especially in Service members and Veterans.

FY17 ERP Focus Areas: Applications should also address at least one of the following FY17 Focus Areas. An application that proposes research outside of the FY17 Focus Areas is acceptable, as long as the applicant provides a strong rationale. The Focus Areas will be mechanism-specific.

FY17 ERP Focus Areas are as follows:

Epidemiology: Epidemiological characterization of PTE following TBI, which may include:
- Risk factors such as demographics, genetic factors, organic head injury factors, or type of insult
- Differentiation of PTE and Psychogenic Non-Epileptic Seizures (PNES)
- Outcomes including latency to epilepsy, morbidities and comorbidities, and mortality
- Pre-existing conditions including psychological and psychiatric risk factors

Markers and Mechanisms: Identifying markers or mechanisms (via clinical prospective or preclinical models) that address PTE:
- Early detection
- Diagnosis
- Prognosis
- Morbidity
- Comorbidity
- Mortality
- Risk stratification

Models of PTE: Development of new models or better characterization of existing etiologically relevant models for PTE, including repetitive TBI.

Psychogenic Non-Epileptic Seizures: Exploration of the epidemiology, mechanisms, risk factors, or markers of PNES subsequent to TBI.

Funding Details:
• Idea Development Award
  o Level I – Maximum funding of $300,000 for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 2 years
  o Level II – Maximum funding of $500,000 for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 3 years
• Epilepsy Risk Factors Award – Funding limit is $300,000 in direct costs for a maximum of 2 years

**Additional Details**
LOI Deadline: September 6, 2017 (A pre-application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP)
Internal HRS Deadline: September 13, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: September 20, 2017

**Department of Defense Peer Reviewed Alzheimer’s Research Program (PRARP) Funding Opportunities for Fiscal Year 2017**
Four awards are available. Please refer to additional details link for more information from the DoD website.

**Funding Details:**
• Convergence Science Research Award – Maximum Funding of $500,000 for up to 3 years
• Quality of Life Research Award - $500,000 in direct costs for up to 3 years
• New Investigator Award - $225,000 in direct costs for up to 3 years
• Research Partnership Award - $1.3M in total costs for up to 3 years

**Additional Details**
LOI Deadline: September 6, 2017 (A pre-application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP)
Internal HRS Deadline: September 13, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: September 20, 2017

**Department of Defense Alcohol and Substance Abuse Disorders Research Program (ASADRP) Funding Opportunities for Fiscal Year 2017 – Consortium Award**
The ASADRP is seeking applications to explore integrated approaches to address alcohol and substance use disorder (ASUD) especially related to traumatic brain injury (TBI) and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) through multidisciplinary, team-based research efforts that translate basic knowledge into enhanced clinical pharmacological treatments protocols.
- The program’s approach is to organize multidisciplinary, team-based translational research efforts to:
  - Identify promising compounds;
  - Conduct proof-of-principle basic research to determine which compounds are most appropriate for human research trials;
  - Conduct human proof-of-concept trials with promising compounds. This approach should accelerate the translation of contemporary basic science knowledge into enhanced clinical pharmacological treatment protocols for ASUD, including a regulatory strategy for U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) compliance.

**Funding Details:** $10.596M Maximum allowable total costs (direct and indirect)

**Additional Details**
LOI Deadline: September 13, 2017 (A pre-application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP)
Internal HRS Deadline: September 20, 2017
Sponsor Deadline: September 27, 2017

**Department of Defense Reconstructive Transplant Research Program (RTRP) Funding Opportunities for Fiscal Year 2017**
Four new awards are available. Please refer to additional details link for more information from the DoD website.

**Funding Details:**
• Concept Award (LOI due November 15, 2017) – Maximum Funding of $200,000 for total costs for a maximum of 18 mos.
• **Investigator-Initiated Research Award** – Maximum funding of $1M for total costs for a maximum of 3 years.
  o **Multiple PI Option** – Maximum funding of $1.5M for total costs for a maximum of 3 years.
• **Technology Development Award** – Maximum Funding of $1M for total costs for a maximum of 3 years.
• **Qualitative Research Award** – Maximum funding of $1M for a total of 3 years.
  o **Partnering PI Option** – Maximum funding of $1.5M for a total of 3 years.

**Additional Details**

**LOI Deadline**: September 20, 2017 (A pre-application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP)

**Internal HRS Deadline**: November 22, 2017

**Sponsor Deadline**: December 6, 2017

### Department of Defense Breast Cancer Research Program (BCRP) Funding Opportunities for Fiscal Year 2017

Six new awards are available. Please refer to additional details link for more information from the DoD website. Please see below for detailed deadlines.

**Additional Details**

**Funding Details:**

• **Innovator Award II** – Maximum funding of $5M for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 4 years.

• **Breakthrough Award Levels 3 and 4 II:**
  o **Funding Level 3** – Maximum funding of $2.5M for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 4 years.
  o **Funding Level 3 with Partnering PI Option** - Maximum funding of $4M for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 4 years.
  o **Funding Level 4 and Funding Level 4 with Partnering PI Option** – Maximum funding of $10M for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 4 years.

• **Distinguished Investigator Award II** – Maximum funding of $3M for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 4 years.

**LOI Deadline**: September 29, 2017 (A pre-application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP)

**Internal HRS Deadline**: December 7, 2017

**Sponsor Deadline**: December 21, 2017

**Funding Details:**

• **Era of Hope Scholar Award II** – Maximum funding of $2.5M for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 4 years.

• **Breakthrough Award Levels 1 and 2 II:**
  o **Funding Level 1** - Maximum funding of $375,000 for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 3 years
  o **Funding Level 1 with Partnering PI Option** – Maximum funding of $600,000 for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 3 years.
  o **Funding Level 2** – Maximum funding of $750,000 for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 3 years.
  o **Funding Level 2 with Partnering PI Option** – Maximum funding of $1M for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 3 years.

• **Breakthrough Fellowship Award II** – Maximum funding of $300,000 for direct and indirect costs for a maximum of 3 years.

**LOI Deadline**: November 21, 2017 (A pre-application is required and must be submitted through eBRAP)

**Internal HRS Deadline**: November 22, 2017

**Sponsor Deadline**: December 6, 2017