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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

From December 17, 2020 to February 2, 2021

- [Reminder: Health System Impact Fellowship application deadline approaching](#)
- [Team Grant: Indirect Socio-Economic Burden of Inherited Diseases](#)
- [Team Grant - E-Rare-5 Joint Transnational Call](#)
- [Other - Summer Program in Aging](#)
- [Operating Grant - 13th JPIAMR transnational call for research projects \(2021\)](#)
- [Chair - Applied Public Health](#)
- [Training Grant - Health Research Training Platform \(2021/22 Pilot\)](#)
- [Operating Grant: HIV/AIDS and STBBI Community-Based Research](#)
- [Other: Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging](#)

Pre-announcements

- [Pre-announcement: CIHR-CEPI Leadership Award for Excellence in Vaccine Research for Infectious Diseases of Epidemic Potential](#)
- [Pre-Announcement: CIHR Funding for SARS-CoV-2 Variant Research](#)

View these opportunities in the [CIHR Funding Opportunity Database](#).

TEAM GRANT: INDIRECT SOCIO-ECONOMIC BURDEN OF INHERITED DISEASES

Launch date: January 12, 2021

Registration Deadline: April 13, 2021

Application Deadline: May 4, 2021

This initiative will support teams of researchers, patients and knowledge users to investigate prospectively the indirect socio and economic cost of inherited diseases in Canada.

[Learn more](#)

FUNDING UPDATES

What you should know about the Spring 2021 Project grant competition

Registration for the Spring 2021 Project grant competition begins on February 4. Following feedback from the community, we're making some important changes to the competition that we want to share with you.

[Read more](#)

Spring 2021 Project grant competition: Ask Me Anything sessions

CIHR will be hosting "Ask Me Anything" sessions designed to support participants and answer questions about the Spring 2021 Project grant competition. Questions will be accepted via a Slido question board.

Duration: 90 minutes

English Sessions:

When: Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 15:00 pm ET

When: Friday, February 5, 2021 at 13:00 pm ET

French Session

When: Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 11:00 am ET

[Read more](#)

Read a detailed overview of [how funding decisions are made](#) in the Project grant competition.

Opportunity for Early Career Researchers

Call for expressions of interest to the

Spring 2021 Reviewer in Training Program

Application period: Feb 1 – Feb 26, 2021



The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) is pleased to announce the launch of the new [Reviewer in Training \(RiT\) program](#) for the Spring 2021 Project Grant competition. The RiT program expands on and replaces the Observer program, based on evaluations of the Observer program as well as feedback from the community.

The application period opens on February 1, 2021 and closes on February 26, 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact the [College of Reviewers](#).

ADDRESSING THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON THE HEALTH RESEARCH COMMUNITY

COVID-19 has spurred remarkable scientific achievements, but it has also had negative impacts on the health research community, including loss of revenue, cancelled projects, and decreases in overall productivity. CIHR is working on a project with the National Alliance of Provincial Health Research Organizations (NAPHRO) and the Health Charities Coalition of Canada (HCCC) to better understand the impacts of the pandemic on the Canadian health research landscape and to identify areas for collective action among health research funders. Stay tuned for further updates in the Spring.

Online discussion

Systemic Racism in Canada's health research funding system



UPDATE: CIHR ONLINE DISCUSSION ON SYSTEMIC RACISM IN CANADA'S HEALTH RESEARCH FUNDING SYSTEM

We are pleased to inform you that the [CIHR online discussion on systemic racism in Canada's health research funding system](#) will launch on February 4, 2021 and will be open until April 9, 2021. 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 will be open to all.

We invite you to monitor our newsletter and social media channels for details on how to participate.



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SCIENCE

Post a picture of your #WomenInScience life!

To mark the International Day of Women and Girls in Science on February 11, we want to take over Twitter with photos of **#WomenInSTEM**. We want to capture the full gamut of experience: the highs (show us your "just published" face) and the lows (the travails of being an academic and the struggles of balancing home and professional life).

On February 11, if you identify as female and work in health research or a STEM field, **please consider**

posting a photo and using the hashtags #WomenInScience #WomenInSTEM (and don't forget to tag CIHR).

HELP IMPROVE CANADA'S POPULATION COHORT LANDSCAPE!

[Genome Canada](#) and the [Canadian Institutes of Health Research \(CIHR\)](#) are leading an engagement process, examining how best to optimize the collection and analysis of population health data in Canada. If you would like to contribute, **please complete the survey by March 1, 2021**:

[Academic version](#)

[Broad Health Research Community version](#)

Please share the survey links with colleagues who have an interest in population health data and population cohorts.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Don't miss #ScienceUpFirst!



#ScienceUpFirst is a social media movement developed by a team of independent scientists, health care providers and science communicators to stop the spread of misinformation around COVID-19.

You can help! [Visit their website to sign up](#) or follow them on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [Facebook](#) to share their expert-vetted posts with your friends and followers.

Misinformation does real harm. We all have a part to play in fighting it, so let's #ScienceUpFirst!

APPLIED PUBLIC HEALTH CHAIR PROGRAM LAUNCH

The CHIR Institute of Population and Public Health (CIHR-IPPH) is pleased to announce the launch of the renewed Applied Public Health Chair program developed in partnership with the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC). This program will provide \$5.75 million to support approximately seven awards that will build capacity and strengthen a range of research disciplines and sectors.

PHAC and CIHR-IPPH will be co-hosting a webinar on **Thursday, February 11, 2021, from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm ET**.

[Learn more](#)



Discoveries for life



SHARE YOUR STORY: CONTRIBUTE TO CIHR'S HEALTH RESEARCH STORYBOOK!

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Call for Submissions.

Health research is one of the most important investments we can make as a nation. We want to hear your story: how is your health research project affecting the lives of Canadians?

CIHR would like to feature your work in a showcase of the life-changing research being conducted right here in Canada. In 200 words or less, we'd like you to tell us about your research successes and experiences so we can highlight your work. These stories are published in [The Faces of Health Research](#) webpage, a crowd-sourced digital storybook of health researchers from across the country.

Read more about the research being conducted now, or to [submit your own story!](#)

CANADA RESEARCH COORDINATING COMMITTEE WELCOMES ALEJANDRO ADEM AS CHAIR

Canada Research Coordinating Committee Welcomes Alejandro Adem as Chair
Alejandro Adem, President, Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council, is the Canada Research Coordinating Committee's new Chair for 2021. The CRCC advances federal research priorities and coordination within the federal research funding system.

The CRCC members would like to thank the outgoing Chair, Dr. Michael Strong, President of CIHR, for his leadership in 2020.

[Learn more](#)

APPOINTMENT OPPORTUNITIES: CIHR GOVERNING COUNCIL

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research is looking for Governing Council members to fill upcoming vacancies. While the review of applications started on January 22, 2021, this will be a rolling in-take and applications will continue to be reviewed until all positions are filled.

[Read more](#)

SCIENTIFIC DIRECTORS' CORNER



Dr. Carrie Bourassa

Renewed as Scientific Director for a second term

Congratulations to Dr. Carrie Bourassa on her renewal as the Scientific Director of the Institute of Indigenous Peoples' Health (IIPH). [Read her message](#) noting IIPH's progress and plans to continue to improve the health and well-being of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples.



World Cancer Day

We are and we will

This year, on February 4, let's remember the overall theme of World Cancer Day: I am and I will. It encourages people to consider how they can offer commitments to improve cancer outcomes.

[Read more](#)

NEWS TO KNOW

- [Government of Canada invests \\$1M in a COVID-19 evidence network to support decision-making](#)
- [Government of Canada invests in national clinical trials network to address the COVID-19 pandemic](#)
- [Government of Canada and Yukon announce significant investment to improve patient care](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions: Health Research Training Platform \(H RTP\) Pilot](#)
- [The Canadian Institutes of Health Research continues its long-standing collaboration with the European Commission by supporting four \(4\) joint transnational calls in 2021](#)

Help us [share](#) the results of *your* CIHR-funded research!



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