

University Delegates (UD) Meeting Minutes –June 2, 2022

1. CIHR Updates

Spring 2022 Project Grant Competition is ongoing. The 59 committees are meeting in a compressed number of weeks to ensure that the NOI and NOD decisions dates (see below) are met. In total, 2521 registrations were received and a total of 2096 applications are under consideration. The gender distribution for Chairs is 46% male, 54% female, for Scientific Officers is 46% male, 53% female and Reviewers is 56% male, 44% female. Reports on the distribution of applicants by gender and career stage will be released at a later date.

2. Canada Biomedical Research Fund (CBRF)

Canada Biomedical Research Fund ([CBRF](#)) was launched.

Canada Biomedical Research Fund Notices of Intent

As part of the competition process and to facilitate opportunities for potential collaboration or multi-institutional initiatives, SSHRC has committed to publish the descriptions of Notices of Intent to apply to the first stage of the Canada Biomedical Research Fund competition.

The institutions listed below will be invited to submit a Stage 1 full application for a research hub.

The proposal summaries from the following institutions have been published in the language in which they were submitted:

- University of Alberta
- The University of British Columbia
- Université de Montréal
- University of Ottawa
- University of Toronto
- University of Waterloo
- University of Windsor
- Western University

The CBRF is part of Canada's Biomufacturing and Life Sciences Strategy along with the Biosciences Research Infrastructure Fund (BRIF) and both programs will be delivered through an integrated competition in collaboration with the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI). Research hubs are coalitions of research and research-training actors. Dalhousie is working with 3 of the listed Hubs including Université de Montréal, University of Ottawa and University of British Columbia.

3. Reminder: Research Data Management Plan (DMPs) are living documents that can be modified to accommodate changes throughout the course of a research project. The content and length of DMPs depend on the research project, but all DMPs should describe:

- how data will be collected, documented, formatted, protected and preserved;
- how existing datasets will be used and what new data will be created;
- where data will be deposited, and whether and how data will be shared;
- responsibilities and succession plans;
- ethical, legal and commercial constraints.

CIHR will be implementing DMPs through a phased approach and is committed to communicating with all stakeholders regarding DMP assessment and resource development. The [Digital Research Alliance of Canada](#) has developed various resources to support researchers in developing data management plans, including DMP Assistant, DMP Exemplars and DMP Templates. CIHR is exploring using these resources to support our grant applicants and is considering what other resources should be developed.

Note: [DMP Resources](#) for Dalhousie Researchers are available through the library.

4. Reminder: CIHR Open Access Policy

[Policy Summary](#)

Researchers awarded funding from January 1, 2008 onwards from CIHR are required to adhere with the following responsibilities:

- ensure that all research papers generated from CIHR funded projects are freely accessible through the Publisher's website or an online repository within 12 months of publication;
- deposit bioinformatics, atomic, and molecular coordinate data into the appropriate public database (e.g. gene sequences deposited in GenBank) immediately upon publication of research results;
- retain original data sets for a minimum of five years (or longer if other policies apply);
- and acknowledge CIHR support by quoting the funding reference number in journal publications.

5. Project Grant Competition Update Spring 2022 Project Grant Competition

Peer Review Meetings **May 16 to June 10, 2022**

Anticipated Notice of Recommendation (NOR): **June 30, 2022**

Anticipated Notice of Decision (NOD): **July 14, 2022**

Funding Start Date: **October 1, 2022**

6. Project Grant Competition Update Fall 2022 Project Grant Competition

Competition Launch July 5, 2022

Registration Deadline August 17, 2022

Application Deadline September 14, 2022

Reminder: ResearchNet keeps a list of current funding opportunities. [ResearchNet - RechercheNet](#)