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Learn more about RASI services online.

Health Sciences Opportunities and Updates

**Invitation to REDI Engagement with CIHR: Expanding to Indigenous Scholars**

In 2022, CIHR launched the Research Excellence, Diversity, and Independence (REDI, pronounced "ready") Early Career Transition Award for post-doctoral researchers, clinicians, and research associates from specific underrepresented groups to help them launch their research faculty careers in Canada. This program is led by CIHR's Institute of Infection and Immunity.

You are invited to join the Institute for a discussion around REDI 2.0: Expanding to Indigenous Scholars. More information about the REDI program can be found here.

**Date:** Wednesday, 29 May, 12:00-3:00 PM  
**Location:** Staybridge Suites Saskatoon – University  
**Register**

For questions, please contact Tammy Popova at the Saskatchewan NEIHR, tammy.popova@usask.ca.

**Introducing New Measures to Safeguard Research in Canada**

The federal government has tasked the Canadian Institutes of Health Research and the other research granting agencies with implementing new measures to safeguard research done in Canada, with an emphasis on protecting it against risks to national and economic security.

Two new measures are coming into force at CIHR as of May 1, 2024. The first measure, the National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships, applies to research proposals that involve partner organizations from the private sector. The second measure, the Policy on Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern, applies to research that aims to advance a sensitive technology research area.

For the moment, the National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships will only apply to the Fall 2024 Project Grant competition, launching on July 4, 2024. The Policy on Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern will apply to most grant funding opportunities (including the Project grant competition) launched as of May 1, 2024.

Both new measures may involve additional steps during the application process, depending on if an applicant’s research proposal is in scope. Please see CIHR’s new research security page for answers to your most common questions. General information can also be found on the Tri-agency guidance on research security page.

CIHR would be grateful for your help in spreading the word at your institutions and among your networks and is pleased to continue our research discussions at our monthly University Delegates meetings.

If you still have questions, please don’t hesitate to email support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca.
Data Analysis Using Existing Databases and Cohorts

The CIHR Healthy Cities Research Initiative (HCRI) has launched this funding opportunity to support the use of existing survey, administrative and linked datasets for research that is focused on maximizing the health-and wellness-promoting potential of urban environments and improving health equity. This is the six and last planned launch of this opportunity. This funding opportunity will fund projects that use existing cohort data, administrative datasets, surveys, registries, and data platforms and that are relevant to the HCRI’s goal and objectives.

As important collaborators on the overall HCRI, Statistics Canada and the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) are partnering in-kind to promote the use of existing data to advance healthy cities intervention research and implementation science. See Statistics Canada’s Data available at the Research Data Centres page and CIHI’s Data Request page for details on the data resources available. Note that applications to this funding opportunity are not restricted to data held by these collaborators.

Anticipated Deadline: 7 November 2024

Funds Available: The total amount available for this funding opportunity is $500,000, enough to fund approximately five (5) one (1) year grants of up to $100,000 each.

Upcoming Funding Opportunity: Implementing Urban Policy Workshop

At its most fundamental level, healthy cities research depends on partnerships between researchers, municipalities, and community organizations to identify needs and co-design projects to help address those needs. To support collaboration between city leaders and researchers, the CIHR Healthy Cities Research Initiative CIHR-HCRI will soon launch a funding opportunity focused on implementing healthy urban policy.

The fourth iteration of these grants, funding will support the co-development of activities related to implementing and evaluating interventions in urban settings to improve health and wellbeing.

A unique aspect of this funding call is the opportunity to participate in a five-day immersive workshop with teams composed of four city/community leaders and one researcher. The workshops are organized by 8 80 Cities, an innovative organization with the mission to ignite action and challenge the status quo to create healthier, more equitable, and sustainable cities for all people. More details are available here.

The workshop will take place in May / June 2025 in Helsinki, Finland.

NSERC Discovery Horizons Pilot Program Webinar

We would like to inform you of the upcoming webinar for the fourth edition of NSERC Discovery Horizons pilot program. A short presentation of the program will precede a Q&A session. The webinar will be recorded and distributed to this mailing list shortly after.
The Discovery Horizons program provides NSERC’s entry-point to the tri-agency interdisciplinary peer-review mechanism. Discovery Horizons grants support investigator-initiated individual and team projects that broadly integrate or transcend disciplines to advance knowledge in the natural sciences and engineering (NSE).

In the context of this funding opportunity, the term “interdisciplinary” should be understood to fully encompass all research that connects, crosses or falls in between the traditional disciplines of the three agencies, including transdisciplinary, multidisciplinary, convergence research and other approaches at the interface.

**English Webinar:**
- 21 May, 12:00-1:30 PM (Ottawa time)
- [Join here](#)

**French Webinar:**
- 21 May, 10:00-11:30 AM (Ottawa time)
- [Join here](#)

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**Social Sciences and Humanities Opportunities**

**SSHRC Dialogue Newsletter**

Please see below for highlights from the May 2024 SSHRC Dialogue Newsletter:

- 2024 Final Five Story Tellers
- Outage Planned for SSHRC websites, some systems over Canada Day weekend
- Have your say on the role of generative AI in research proposals
- Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Systemic Ableism publishes report
- Homelessness researcher says policies prioritizing prevention could halt crisis
- Syntheses describe impacts of isolation, suggest solutions across sectors

**Funding Focus:**
- Upcoming deadlines – get your applications in now

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**International Opportunities and Updates**

**Experience with Acquiring Third-Party Funding via the Horizon 2020-EU Project**

Interested in learning about partnering with European institutions and securing Horizon Europe funding? We are pleased to welcome Dr. Stefan Walheim from Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), Germany, to share his experience applying for a Horizon 2020-EU project as a work project leader and managing a multi-partner consortium of research institutions and industry partners. Dr. Walheim and his team are project partners working on the AIRCOAT project, which promotes a passive air lubrication technology with the potential to revolutionize the ship-coating sector. This event is a campus-wide opportunity to learn from Dr. Walheim's first-hand experience about the scope, application process, management, and reporting for/of a project within the Horizon funding scheme. [Please register here](#).
Presenter:
Dr. Stefan Walheim studied physics at the University of Konstanz (Germany), where he completed his diploma thesis 1997 in polymer physics together with Ullrich Steiner (Professor, Université De Fribourg) and Georg Krausch (President, University of Mainz) in the group of Professor Jürgen Mlynek (previously held the position of CEO of the Helmholtz Association in Berlin). Dr. Walheim continued his work in Konstanz on the phase separation of polymer blend films during his dissertation, with extended stays in the laboratories of Professor Tom Russell and Professor Ed Kramer at the University of Massachusetts and the University of California at Santa Barbara respectively. Dr. Stefan Walheim co-developed several international patents and authored several top-cited scientific publications.

Since 2000, he has worked in the group of Prof. Dr. Schimmel at the Institute for Nanotechnology (INT) and the Institute of Applied Physics, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT).

Date: Wednesday, 5 June 2024; 2-3 PM
Location: TBD (will be shared with registrants)
Register: Register here

Eurogia 2030: The Eureka Cluster for Low Carbon Technologies Solutions
Eurogia2030 is on the front line in the Energy field to achieve carbon neutrality goals. Through Low Carbon Technologies R&D solutions Eurogia aims to contribute for a sustainable environment, for the reduction of climate change and for a sustainable growth. Some of the targeted challenges to achieve these goals are necessary, but not limited to:

- Carbon-free energy supply,
- Green mobility and Smart cities,
- Smarter housings and constructions,
- Bio resources and environment.

The technologies necessary to tackle these challenges are rapidly developing within a giant market and an ever growing societal concern. In-depth knowledge and leadership in developing and applying them is an essential requirement, if industry is to maintain its leadership in multiple application areas, or take advantage of new opportunities.

This Eurogia2030 programme is designed to stimulate activity in this important area, through the creation of trans-national collaborative projects in applications that will support economic growth and benefit society as a whole.

Funding Amount: Varies depending on country partners involved
Internal Deadline: 13 June 2024
External Deadline: 17:00 CET, 27 June 2024

DAAD Bilateral Funding Project Program
The focus of this program is on initiating or intensifying binational partnership research activities between a German and a foreign university or research institution to strengthen scientific relationships. Particular importance is attached to the qualification of young academics. You can find more information here.

The program promotes mobility and short-term stays for the exchange of project participants from the partner institutions involved, especially young scientists, for research activities in all disciplines (for exceptions, see “Country-specific conditions”).

Graduates (master's and master’s students), doctoral students, doctoral candidates, habilitation holders and university lecturers are eligible for funding, unless otherwise agreed with the foreign partner.

Please note: Applications can be submitted by state and state-recognized German universities and non-profit recognized and/or self-researching non-university research institutions based in Germany.

Funding amount: max. 18,000 euros/funding year
Funding period: 2 years (24 months), no follow-up application possible
Application deadline: 4 June 2024
Start of funding (expected): 1 January 2025

Horizon Europe: Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions: Post-Doctoral Fellowships

The objective of Postdoctoral-Fellowships (PFs) is to support researchers’ careers and foster excellence in research. The Postdoctoral Fellowships action targets researchers holding a PhD who wish to carry out their research activities abroad, acquire new skills and develop their careers. PFs help researchers gain experience in other countries, disciplines and non-academic sectors. You can find more information here.

There are 2 types of Postdoctoral Fellowships:

1. European Postdoctoral Fellowships: They are open to researchers moving within Europe or coming to Europe from another part of the world to pursue their research career. These fellowships take place in an EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country and can last between 1 and 2 years. Researchers of any nationality can apply.

2. Global Postdoctoral Fellowships: They fund the mobility of researchers outside Europe. The fellowship lasts between 2 to 3 years, of which the first 1 to 2 years will be spent in a non-associated Third Country, followed by a mandatory return phase of 1 year to an organisation based in an EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country. Only nationals or long-term residents of the EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries can apply.

The EU provides support for the recruited researcher in the form of
- a living allowance
- a mobility allowance
- if applicable, family, long-term leave and special needs allowances

In addition, funding is provided for
- research, training and networking activities
Mitacs Globalink Research Internship Program

Faculty in any discipline can now apply to receive an international undergraduate student to conduct research for 12-weeks during the summer of 2025, funded by Mitacs through the Mitacs Globalink Research Internship (GRI) program.

About the program in brief:
Mitacs Globalink Research Internship (GRI) is now accepting faculty project submissions for Summer 2025. GRI pairs faculty members in Canada with international undergraduate students for a 12-week research stay at USask to conduct projects from May to October 2025. The Globalink program builds international networks and experiences, and positions Canada as a top destination for innovation and research among international students.

- All disciplines are eligible
- Top-ranked senior undergraduate students from the following countries and regions are eligible: Australia, Brazil, Chile, mainland China, Colombia, France, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Mexico, Pakistan, South Korea, Taiwan, Tunisia, Ukraine, United Kingdom, and United States.
- Faculty can submit multiple projects and re-submit projects from previous years

Please let us know if you have any questions about the program by 31 May 2024.

Deadline for faculty members to apply is 2 pm CST, 4 June 2024.

Questions? Visit the GRA Website or contact helpdesk@mitacs.ca. You may also contact the local Business Development Director, Dr. Zsuzsa Papp at zpapp@mitacs.ca and the USask International Office team at international.office@usask.ca.

National Institutes of Health (NIH): Neuropathological Interactions Between COVID-19 and ADRD (R01 – Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is to solicit applications that propose studies in animal, cell culture, and/or human tissue models to elucidate the mechanisms by which COVID-19 interacts with and/or modulates ADRD-relevant phenotypes. The NOFO intends to support studies that are disease mechanistic in nature and must incorporate ADRD outcomes, risk factors, pathologies, or relevant comorbidities. You can find more information here.

Funding Amount: USD$500,000/year
Project Duration: Maximum duration of 5 years
Internal Deadline: Ten business days before the external deadline

Letter of Intent Due Date: 4 September 2024
External Deadline: 4 October 2024

Cluster 3 Spain Horizon Europe Partnership Search: Cybersecurity, Disaster Resilience Society (DRS), and Fight against Crime and Terrorism

Are you interested in joining a consortium with Spain institutions under Cluster 3 Horizon Europe funding opportunities? Spain’s National Contact Point for Horizon Europe Cluster 3 Civil Security compiled the attached list of seven project calls for which they stated their express interest in partnering with Canada on consortiums.

The main themes are: Cybersecurity, Disaster Resilience Society (DRS), and Fight against Crime and Terrorism (FCT). There is approximately CAD $4 to 8.5 million per grant. All Cluster 3 Civil Security project calls are listed in this document.

Spanish partners are currently looking for Canadian partners under the following calls:

- Cybersecurity, Area: Systems Security and Security Lifetime Management, Secure Platforms, Digital Infrastructures; Topic call: Approaches and tools for security in software and hardware development and assessment
- Cybersecurity, Area: Cryptography; Topic call: Post-quantum cryptography transition
- DRS, Area: Improved Disaster Risk Management & Governance; Topic call: Prevention, detection, response and mitigation of chemical, biological and radiological threats to agricultural production, feed and food processing, distribution and consumption
- DRS, Area: Improved harmonisation and/or standardisation in the area of crisis management & CBRN-E; Topic call: Harmonised / Standard protocols for the implementation of alert and impact forecasting systems as well as transnational emergency management in the areas of high-impact weather / climatic and geological disasters
- DRS, Area: Strengthened capacities of first & second responders; Topic call: Hi-tech capacities for crisis response and recovery after a natural-technological (NaTech) disaster
- FCT, Area: Enhanced prevention, detection and deterrence of societal issues related to various forms of crime; Topic call: Radicalisation and gender
- FCT, Area: Enhanced prevention, detection and deterrence of societal issues related to various forms of crime; Topic call: Combating hate speech online and offline

If you are interested in any of the above calls, please contact international.office@usask.ca by 27 May 2024. Those interested will be shared with the Spanish network on and around May 30th at an in-person only info day on these calls.

Deadline: 27 May 2024

Holohil Grant Program

For more than 35 years Holohil has supported endangered species research and educational work for a variety of agencies and researchers. During that time, we have donated transmitters predominately for bat and raptor research. While we still have a strong commitment to these groups of animals, we wish to extend
our support to other species that have not previously been included. To this end, we are extending our support to research projects that are of high value for their species, have a sound research design, and have a positive conservation intention. In 2016, we introduced our new Holohil Grant Program (HGP), which aims to offer Holohil transmitters at a reduced (or no) cost to projects deserving of support.

Holohil will be supporting projects by donating up to CAD$2,500.00 toward the purchase of Holohil transmitters.

**Internal Deadline:** 28 June 2024  
**External Deadline:** 15 July 2024