



Canadian Cardiovascular Society – Bayer Resident Vascular Award

CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2017

The Canadian Cardiovascular Society and Bayer Inc have collaboratively created an award, entitled “CCS – Bayer Resident Vascular Award”. This Award is intended for Canadian clinical trainees (PGY 4-6) for a research project on any topic related to **thrombosis, anticoagulation, stroke, or atrial fibrillation**.

Terms of Reference for the Award

Applicants are asked to submit a brief (three pages or less), proposal, including the following:

- One paragraph abstract
- Outline of the project
- Description of the research environment where the research project will be conducted (research must be conducted in Canada)
- Name of potential mentor or supervisor
- Budget - Is the project funded using other channels? If so, please explain. Is the project part of a larger study? If so, please explain.
- One of these three pages must be a brief curriculum vitae of the applicant outlining any prior research experience and publications.
- If scope of project is greater than the funds awarded, the applicant must explain what area the grant will be used in. If another member of the team is involved in the project, applicant is to describe his/her role in the study.

Submissions must be made through the website www.vascularawards.com.

Process

An evaluation committee chaired by Dr. Andrew Krahn and consisting of Drs. John Eikelboom, Jeffrey Healey, William McIntyre, Carlos Morillo and Roopinder Sandhu, will

review applications and select the three most meritorious as finalists.

These three finalists will present their research project at a Canadian Cardiovascular Society accredited symposium to be held during the Canadian Cardiovascular Congress (CCC) in Vancouver, on October 21-24. During a 10 minute presentation, they will have the opportunity to discuss the research project and answer questions from the judging panel above.

Following the three presentations, each of the three finalists will be awarded a Vascular Award.

Funds Available

- 1st prize: \$20,000
- 2nd prize: \$12,500
- 3rd prize: \$7,500
- Additional \$10,000 prize to be awarded by the CCC accredited symposium audience to one of the three finalists for the most effective and persuasive presentation

Important Dates

- Submission due dates: September 15, 2017
- Finalists Announcement: Early October 2017
- Finalist Presentations at CCC followed by an Award Presentation: October 22, 2017

Please visit www.vascularawards.com for more details and to submit your research proposal.

Additional Important Proposal Submission Information

- 1 Current PGY 4-6 cardiology, cardiac surgery and vascular surgery residents in a College of Physicians and Surgeons approved program are eligible to submit a proposal.
- 2 Applicants must currently reside in Canada.
- 3 Award funds are solely intended for Canadian research purposes.
- 4 The award funds will be administered by the Cardiology Division of the winners' affiliated universities, or equivalent.
- 5 Research should be underway within 6 months and completed within two years of funds being awarded.
- 6 The award and funds are intended for original research conducted by residents and should not supplement funding for an ongoing project.
 - a) If the submission refers to a multicenter clinical trial, the applicant must specify their specific role in the research study.
 - b) If the application is for a sub-study of an ongoing trial, the applicant must specify their role and explain how the substudy is distinct from the main trial.
- 7 If scope of project is greater than the funds awarded, the applicant must explain what area the grant will be used in. If another member of the team is involved in the project, applicant is to describe his/her role in the study.
- 8 Award funds can range from a maximum of \$30,000 (if 1st prize winner is also awarded \$10,000 presentation bonus) to a minimum of \$7,500 (3rd prize). The scope of projects will have to be flexible to accommodate this large range of budget. The funds awarded may be used as a standalone or may be further leveraged by applying for funding from another source (eg new investigator funds).
- 9 Mentor name, affiliation, and qualifications must be provided at the time of proposal submission.
- 10 The final stage of the competition process is performance-based: be prepared to defend your proposal during a CCC accredited symposium on October 22, 2017, in front of an audience of around 450 delegates, as you encounter challenging questions from the reviewers. The format will draw loosely from the television shows *Shark Tank* and *Dragon's Den*. Contestants must be prepared to answer tough questions with brief and succinct statements.
- 11 The Canadian Cardiovascular Society will announce Finalists in October 2017. The ranking (first, second, and third placed), will be voted by judges during the CCC accredited symposium on October 22, 2017, following presentations by finalists. The winner of the \$10,000 presentation bonus will be decided by the audience during the accredited symposium.
- 12 As the audience will have a vote during the accredited symposium to allocate the \$10,000 presentation bonus to one of the three finalists, we encourage finalists to invite their colleagues to attend the accredited symposium to cheer them on. Flags from each of the three finalists' universities will be distributed to each delegate to add to the competitive atmosphere.
- 13 The finalists must submit a photo and brief resume to be published on the program's website at www.vascularawards.com.
- 14 Applicants must be available to travel to Vancouver to present their research projects to the judging panel during the accredited symposium on October 22, 2017, presented at the CCC. Travel arrangements will be covered for out of province finalists.
- 15 Research status report will be requested and should be submitted at the beginning of July and October of the ensuing year(s) that the project is running.
- 16 Application should not include superfluous content (cover page, table of content, etc.). Pages exceeding the maximum three pages will not be reviewed (only the first three will be reviewed).

2016 Award Winners

- 1st prize winner (\$20,000) and Presentation bonus (\$10,000)

Christopher Cheung, MD

Does Intensive Monitoring Improve Diagnosis and Treatment of Atrial Fibrillation after Myocardial Infarction?

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

- 2nd prize winner (\$12,500)

Derrick Tam, BSc, MD

Improving Outcomes in Cardiac Surgery through Reduction in Readmission: A Novel Risk Stratification Tool

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

- 3rd prize (\$7,500) and Presentation Bonus (\$10,000)

Tina Zhu, MD, FRCPC

Carotid Contrast-Enhanced Ultrasound (CEUS) as a Risk Stratification Tool for Cardiovascular Disease

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY

2015 Award Winners

- 1st prize winner (\$20,000) and Presentation bonus (\$10,000)

William F. McIntyre, MD, FRCPC

*Atrial Fibrillation Occurring Transiently with Stress (AFOTS)
Understanding the Risks of Subsequent AF and Stroke*

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

- 2nd prize winner (\$12,500)

Saman Rezazadeh, PhD, MD, FRCPC

Automated Reminder to Initiate Oral Anticoagulation in Patients with Atrial Fibrillation/Atrial Flutter Discharged Directly From the Emergency Department: REMINDER STUDY

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

- 3rd prize (\$7,500)

Hadi Toeg, MD

Hybrid Coronary Revascularization in Diabetics (HYCARDIS) Randomized Controlled Trial

UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA HEART INSTITUTE



2014 Award Winners

- 1st prize winner (\$20,000) and Presentation bonus (\$10,000)

Guillaume Marquis-Gravel, MD, MSc

The Bromocriptine in Heart Failure (BRO-HF) Initiative

UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL

- 2nd prize winner (\$12,500)

Iqbal Jaffer, MD

Prevention of Clotting on Mechanical Heart Valves

MCMASTER UNIVERSITY

- 3rd prize winner (\$7,500)

Abhinav Sharma, MD

In patients with heart failure, does diabetic status influence clinical outcomes?

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA



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