OADR Grant Development Office

This message has been sent on behalf of the Office of the Associate Dean Research (OADR) Grant Development Office. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jenna Slobozian (jslobozi@ucalgary.ca), Clint Westgard (chwestga@ucalgary.ca), Brandi Povitz (brandi.povitz@ucalgary.ca), Paul Daniels (paul.daniels1@ucalgary.ca) or Sara Mahjor (smahjor@ucalgary.ca).

Research Enhancement Program

Now that the latest round of CIHR Project Grant applications have been submitted it is a perfect time to consider how you can take advantage of the Research Enhancement Program to prepare your next grant application. This program is designed to increase the competitive edge of faculty who are in pursuit of submitting a future external research grant application.

The Office of the Associate Dean Research (OADR) will provide up to $5000/year for Principal Investigators or lab/team members to obtain training in new techniques/methodologies that will enhance their research endeavors. The aim is to keep our range of expertise at a world class level to increase the impact of published work and future grant applications. Proposals will be considered to support training or methodological advances to improve an identified future grant application or to rapidly respond to requests by reviewers of manuscripts currently close to publication, in a high impact journal.

Examples of Previous Funding Provided:

- Trainee attending a bioinformatics workshop
- Trainee attending a ‘Missing Data’ Training Course Online
- Neuroscience School of Advanced Studies
- Intensive Course in Social Network Analysis
- SMS Imaging Workshop
- SBI Exosome Training Course
- Development - A novel transgenic animal
- Trainee attendance at the Safety, Quality, Informatic and Leadership Program Workshop
• Technical Application & Training - Constructs for applying DREADD technology
• Purchase of a knockout mouse
• Travel to a lab in Copenhagen to learn new techniques
• Cold Spring Harbor Course

*Given the disruptions and restrictions for travel during COVID-19, we are willing to be flexible in responding to requests for support if it serves to further the aims of this program. For instance, some applicants have proposed to learn and apply a new technique that exists with a colleague just down the hall (an excellent idea!). In that case we would be willing to be more flexible on requests for Materials or Supplies that would be needed to accomplish that. As always, we welcome suggestions as to how you could best use these funds to enhance your lab/team research skills and techniques/methodologies to increase your competitive edge. Now is a great time to work with the faculty core facilities (https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/research/facilities) to explore how you can enhance your future chances of external grant success.

To learn more about the program and how to apply please contact me at any time.

Best,

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