



## OADR Grant Development Office Weekly Digest

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## Funding Opportunities

### [Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council \(NSERC\) Discovery Grants](#)

All prospective applicants to the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) Discovery Grants competition are required to submit a Notice of Intent to Apply (NOI). The deadline to submit the NOI in the [NSERC Research Portal](#) is **Tuesday, August 3, 2021 by 6:00 p.m. (MT)**. This is a firm deadline, and anyone who fails to submit a NOI will not be permitted to submit a full application in the 2021 competition. Please note that applicants must also complete a [Canadian Common CV](#) for the submission of your NOI.

The Notice of Intent is submitted directly to NSERC by the researcher (it does not come to Research Services). The NOI does not require institutional approval and there is no internal deadline. Please ensure that your NOI is final before submitting.

Please consult NSERC's [Memo to potential applicants](#) and the general [Discovery Grant](#) website, for additional information on submission of the NOI as well as information on COVID extensions impacting eligibility.

**PLEASE NOTE: Information sessions and additional supports for this competition will be rolled out in the coming months. If you have any questions please contact Jenna Slobozian, [jslobozi@ucalgary.ca](mailto:jslobozi@ucalgary.ca).**

### [Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council \(NSERC\) Discovery Horizon \(Pilot\)](#)

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. Full applications submitted to this NSERC program will be reviewed by a tri-agency interdisciplinary peer review committee. Discovery Horizon grants are expected to be valued from \$50K–\$100K per year. For this pilot year, NSERC is expecting to award approximately 10–20 grants.

The Discovery Horizons application process has two stages:

1. [The Letter of Intent](#) is a mandatory stage due on June 15, 2021. The LOI should be submitted directly to NSERC through the [Convergence Portal](#) by the deadline (it does not come to Research Services). The LOI does not require institutional approval and there is no internal deadline. Please ensure that your LOI is final before submitting.
2. The Full Application stage is by invitation only. This stage will require the creation of an RMS record.

Please contact Paul Daniels, [paul.daniels1@ucalgary.ca](mailto:paul.daniels1@ucalgary.ca), if you have any questions or are intending to apply.

### **Pre-Funding Announcement: CCS/CIHR Action Grants: Proof of Concept Interventions in Primary Cancer Prevention**

The Canadian Cancer Society (CCS) and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research - Institute of Cancer Research (CIHR-ICR) are pleased to announce Phase 1 of the CCS/CIHR Initiative in Primary Cancer Prevention: CCS/CIHR Action Grants: Proof of Concept Interventions in Primary Cancer Prevention.

The intent of this funding opportunity is to:

- motivate Canadians to take “action” by making healthy lifestyle choices that are easy to implement and maintain within their normal living environment and to
- encourage “action” among the research and end-user communities to support this effort by harnessing new ideas, technologies, platforms, expertise and perspectives from within and outside the cancer field to test the feasibility of bold, novel interventions with the potential to prevent the onset of cancer. This one-year funding opportunity is not intended to generate new knowledge, except in areas with an identified gap, but rather to focus the knowledge we already have and stimulate the necessary multidisciplinary and multi-sector collaborations needed to stop cancer before it starts.

**Important dates:**

- Program launch: **May 17, 2021**
- Registration due date: **June 23, 2021**
- Full application due date: **September 10, 2021**

This funding opportunity is anticipated to be launched **May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021**. Please look for application instructions at that time on our [website](#).

For more information on these and other Funding Opportunities, please visit the [Funding Deadline Calendar](#).

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## Implementation of the Tri-Agency Research Data Management Policy at UCalgary

Dear colleagues,

In March 2021, the federal grant agencies CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC announced the Tri-Agency Research Data Management Policy, designed to promote excellence in research data management (RDM) practices within the Canadian research community. The policy includes requirements related to researchers' data management plans (DMPs) and data deposit, as well as institutional RDM strategies. The policy is posted on the [Government of Canada website](#).

This will impact our institution at all levels of the research enterprise, and the Office of the Vice-President (Research), Research Services Office (RSO), and Libraries and Cultural Resources (LCR) will support researchers as we transition processes and practices to comply with the policy.

The policy will be implemented by the tri-agencies incrementally:

- Data management plans: By spring 2022, the tri-agencies will identify the initial set of funding opportunities subject to the DMP requirement.
- Institutional strategies: By March 1, 2023, research institutions must post their RDM strategies.
- Data deposit: After reviewing the institutional strategies and in line with the readiness of the Canadian research community, the tri-agencies will phase in the deposit requirement.

There are plans for a pilot of the DMP requirement during the fall 2021 grant season. At this time, we do not know which grants will be used to pilot the DMP or if/how it will impact assessment of the grant applications. We will inform the research community as soon as information is available.

We will be providing resources and training sessions to support the implementation of the policy. At this time, RDM resources are available on the [Library website](#), which you may find helpful as you begin to consider how you the policy will impact your grant applications going forward. We will also be hosting a RDM capacity building event in 2022 to facilitate further learning opportunities for the campus community.

If you have any questions regarding UCalgary's implementation of the policy, please email [research@ucalgary.ca](mailto:research@ucalgary.ca). If you have questions about the resources available on the Library website, please email [research.data@ucalgary.ca](mailto:research.data@ucalgary.ca).

Thank you,

Dr. William Ghali  
Vice-President (Research)

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## OADR Grant Development “Making Friends in Science” Webinar Series

Research is often a team endeavor. Complex problems may require multiple disciplines, approaches and stakeholders to solve. In our "Making Friends in Science" webinar series we will explore different types of collaborations and partnerships, how they contribute to successful research projects and the challenges associated with working as a team. Speakers will share how they built, managed and sustained successful collaborations within and outside academia.

### Collaborating outside the academy

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

1:00 - 2:30 pm

[Register](#)

### Collaborating with other academics

Friday, June 4, 2021

2:30 - 4:00 pm

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Funding opportunities frequently require knowledge users, decision makers and patients as part of the research team and for good reason. These types of collaborations can increase the relevance of your research and its impact by enabling knowledge translation and exchange. Our speakers will share how they created rewarding partnerships with community organizations, patients, physicians, corporations and others outside the academy and how these partnerships have strengthened their research. They will share their advice for working together and keeping partners engaged through the ups and downs of research and grant funding, as well as how these relationships differ from their academic collaborations.

Dr. Maria Santana from the Alberta SPOR Patient Engagement Platform, MacKinley Darlington, Manager of the University of Calgary's Knowledge Engagement Team and Shayla Scott from the Indigenous Research Support Team will be on hand to discuss their teams' services and answer questions.

#### Speakers:

##### Dr. Sonia Butalia

Associate Professor, Medicine and Community Health Sciences

Scientific Director, Diabetes, Obesity and Nutrition Strategic Clinical Network, Alberta Health Services

##### Dr. Katrina Milaney

Associate Professor, Community Health Sciences

##### Dr. Reed Beall

Assistant Professor, Community Health Sciences

##### Dr. Turin Chowdhury

Assistant Professor, Family Medicine and Community Health Sciences

#### [Speaker Bios](#)

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### Collaborating with other academics

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Sometimes you can answer a research question on your own, but what do you do when you need help from your peers and how do you decide when to work together? This webinar will focus on examples of local, national and international collaborations between academics, including multidisciplinary teams and the unique challenges each situation presents. Our speakers will share what they

have learned about building a team and working effectively with other researchers from project conception and grant writing through to publication and subsequent projects.

**Speakers:****Dr. Marie-Claire Arrieta**

Assistant Professor, Physiology and Pharmacology and Pediatrics

**Dr. Francois Bernier**

Professor and Head, Medical Genetics

**Dr. Stephen Freedman**

Professor, Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine

**Dr. Deborah Marshall**

Professor, Community Health Sciences

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Questions about these webinars? Contact Brandi Povitz ([brandi.povitz@ucalgary.ca](mailto:brandi.povitz@ucalgary.ca))

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