

UME Research Committee (UMERC) Minutes

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APPROVED

Monday, November 10, 2025

13:00 – 15:00PM

Attendees: Drs. J. Desy, H. von Engelbrechten, K. McLaughlin; Ms. M. Gutierrez, J. Fox, J. Gill, N. Boechler; and Mr. M. Paget and S. Ivaturi.

Regrets: Drs. L. Harper, A. Bromley, L. Cooke, S. Pancic, G. Bendiak, M. Sohn, and S. Rag.

Call to Order

The meeting was conducted via Zoom and called to order at 13:00.

- **Approval of UME Research Committee Minutes (September 8th, 2025)**
- **Agenda for today's meeting approved.**

Standing items

Challenging research proposals (J Desy): None to discuss.

Research activities within UME (M Paget):

- **No updates.**

Research on behalf of UME/CSM (K McLaughlin): None to discuss.

Research opportunities for medical students:

Reps from class of 2027 requested earlier notification and easier abstract submissions for future Eclipse symposia.

Rep from class of 2026 reported that students in clerkship really appreciated the opportunity to be involved in research and presenting their work at the Eclipse symposium. Their class would like further details on the list of preceptors willing to supervise students for clinical and education projects. For education projects the students previously contacted Irene Ma, and they can now email Kevin McLaughlin if they are hoping to

participate in medical education research. Regarding clinical projects, available projects are posted on Osler.

Dr. McLaughlin will contact Dr. Bromley to see if there are any updates regarding a Master list of faculty who are willing to supervise students.

No updates from the reps from the class of 2028.

Old Business/Updates:

- Update from the Centre - No updates.

New Business

• **Canadian Medical Student Research Competition 2026. (Kevin McLaughlin)**

Irene Ma sent out notification to students regarding the 3rd CMSA competition.

Deadline for submission of abstract is 4 pm on Friday December 12, 2025.

Drs. McLaughlin and Raj will rank abstract for LIM and non-LIM students

Deadline for submission for research competition is February 5, 2026.

Reps from class of 2027 will send email reminder to students regarding the submission date along with instruction for the 300-word abstract and the link for submission:

https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_9ZEwWbtTrbnJC

The UMERC meeting was adjourned at 13:45 a.m.

Next scheduled meeting January 12, 2026