

ALS Canada-Brain Canada Discovery Grant Program 2023

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For More Information

For additional information, please visit the [ALS Canada website](#) [1]for

- Program guidelines
- Application forms
- Evaluation criteria

Description

Brain Canada and the **ALS Society of Canada** are pleased to announce the continuation of the Discovery Grant Program. The purpose of the 2023 Discovery Grant Program is to invest in the best possible projects that are focused on identifying causes of, or treatments for ALS and/or related neurological diseases, including primary lateral sclerosis, progressive muscular atrophy, and ALS/FTLD (frontotemporal lobar dementia), or research focused on avenues to maximize function, minimize disability and optimize quality of life through symptom management, and support to persons or families living with ALS.

Discovery Grants are designed to support teams of multiple investigators and especially encourage multidisciplinary teams with individuals from outside the field who can combine their expertise in novel or innovative ways.

The **ALS Canada – Brain Canada Discovery Grant Program 2023** consists of two streams, which both consist of novel or innovative research approaches, supported by sound rationale and a feasible experimental plan, and maintain the high-risk/high-reward mindset:

Stream 1: Aimed at nurturing novel ideas looking to obtain preliminary data or to pursue ideas supported by very early data signals. Preliminary data may enhance competitiveness but is not necessarily required.

Stream 2: Consists of more ambitious projects that are supported with some level of preliminary data to justify the larger investment.

Eligibility

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The PI must hold an independent academic position at a qualifying Canadian institution, defined according to [CIHR guidelines](#) [2]. Such an individual normally holds the rank of assistant/associate/full professor or equivalent, can initiate and direct their own independent lines of research as principal investigator; has full responsibility for running their laboratories; has full control of their research funds; and is permitted to supervise trainees (if applicable, as per their institution's policy). Postdoctoral fellows or adjunct faculty are not eligible to apply.

Maximum Project Value

Stream 1: Up to six awards of \$125,000 will be awarded in this cycle.

Stream 2: Up to two awards of \$300,000 will be awarded in this cycle.

Indirect Costs

0%

Project Duration

Stream 1: 24 months

Stream 2: 36 months

Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.


Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Wednesday, July 5, 2023 - 11:59pm	Applicant to submit a copy of application and a complete OR5 form to: research.services@uoguelph.ca [3].
External Deadline	Wednesday, July 12, 2023 - 1:00pm	Applicant to submit a single PDF file via email to research@als.ca [4]. Read the attached Term of Reference for the Application Process, formatting requirements and application

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 Terms of Reference [5]	300.43 KB

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[1] <https://als.ca/research/apply-for-funding/>

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[5] https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/alerts/sites/default/files/attachments/ALS-Canada-Brain-Canada-Discovery-Grant-Program-2023-ToR_EN_0.pdf

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