# Alzheimer Society 2021 - New Investigator Operating and Proof of Concept Grants

### **Sponsor**

Alzheimer Society of Canada

#### For More Information

For additional information, please visit the Alzheimer Society of Canada website [1] for:

- Program guidelines
- Application forms
- Evaluation criteria

## **Description**

The **New Investigator Operating Grant** is a prestigious funding opportunity designed to help launch the careers of outstanding researchers who are entering their first phase of an academic appointment. The intent is to help the grantee establish his/her laboratory and generate enough preliminary data to support fully competitive research grant proposals in national and international funding competitions.

The most favoured applications in the **Proof of Concept Grants** program are those which focus on challenging new directions in research into Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. The Grant will support investigators with innovative, high-risk, high-yield approaches to dementia research.

The Proof of Concept Grants program is looking to support those applications that observe the following guiding principles:

- Applications must propose novel research questions that challenge the status quo in research into Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.
- Applications involving interdisciplinary teams are welcome, but the principal investigator must be an established researcher.
- While preliminary data are always helpful in determining the validity of any test hypothesis, the Proof of Concept grants program will consider research that is at the earlier stage of conception (little preliminary data if at all, or potentially unorthodox research rationale or approach).
- Researchers outside the field of Alzheimer's disease and dementia who are proposing

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novel research that applies to projects clearly relevant to Alzheimer's disease and related dementias are also encouraged to apply to the Proof of Concept grants program.

## **Eligibility**

The principal investigator (and any co-investigators) on a research grant must be based in, or be formally associated with (but not necessarily receive salary support from) a Canadian university or affiliated institution. A researcher based outside of Canada would be eligible as a co-investigator only if his/her participation in the project occurred entirely in a Canadian university or affiliated institution. These conditions apply also to doctoral and postdoctoral supervisors.

**New Investigator Operating Grant:** Applicants must be within four years of their first academic appointment and in a recognized Canadian institution at the application deadline date, and documentation must be provided from the institution to show that the applicant has been appointed to a salaried position that will continue for the duration of the grant. The four-year stipulation may be extended if the appointment was interrupted by a significant medical or maternity leave of absence. Proposals are invited in all areas of research that are relevant to Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. *An application for the New Investigator Grant may not include co- applicants.* 

**Proof of Concept Grant:** Principal investigators must hold a position equivalent to the rank of Assistant Professor or higher, in a Canadian research-intensive University. Adjunct professors at or above the level of Assistant Professor are eligible to apply. Each grant application must designate a principal investigator, who will be the administrative contact for the grant, should the grant be awarded.

## **Maximum Project Value**

New Investigator Operating Grant: up to \$200,000

Proof of Concept Grant: up to \$100,000

#### **Indirect Costs**

0%

## **Project Duration**

New Investigator Grant: Up to four years

**Proof of Concept Grant**: Up to five years

## **Special Notes**

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Please note that research activities carried out in the context of COVID-19 need to adhere to the University of Guelph COVID-19 research principles, policies, guidelines and processes as they may be updated from time to time and communicated on the Office of Research web-page [2].

#### **Deadlines**

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

Type Date Notes

Internal Deadline Friday, October 30, 2020 -

11:59pm Applicant to submit copy of

complete application along with

OR5 form

to:

research.services@uoguelph.c

<u>a</u> [3]

**External Deadline** Friday, November 6, 2020 -

11:59pm Applicant must submit directly

to the sponsor using <u>ASPR</u> online application system [4]

Information on this competition

[4]can be found on the Alzheimer Society Canada

website.

## **Information For Co-applicants**

If you need to meet a deadline set by the lead institution for this opportunity, please ensure that you provide the Office of Research with at least five days in advance of the lead institution's deadline to review the application, or your proposed component of the project. Please be in touch with the Office of Research (contact information below) ahead of the deadline if it looks like it will be difficult for you to submit all the required documentation on time (i.e. budget, proposal, OR-5 Form).

## Attachment(s)

Attachment

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**1** 2021 Guidelines [5]

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For Questions, please contact

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#### Links

- [1] http://alzheimer.ca/en/Home/Research/Alzheimer-Society-Research-Program/How-to-apply
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