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## **Brain Canada Foundation: Future Leaders in Canadian Brain Research - Momentum Grants 2024**

### **Sponsor**

Brain Canada Foundation

### **For More Information**

For additional information, please see the [Request for Applications](#) [1] for:

- Program guidelines
- Application forms
- Evaluation criteria

### **Description**

Brain Canada is pleased to announce a new program to leverage the strengths of the *Future Leaders in Canadian Brain Research Program*, which anchored by a generous gift from the Azrieli Foundation, provides funding to early-career researchers to build a foundation of research excellence and innovation in Canada.

The new *Momentum Grants* program aims to enable researchers to build upon their previously funded initial projects and explore new dimensions of their research with the potential to generate breakthroughs in our understanding of the brain.

This funding opportunity is open to previous recipients of Azrieli Foundation-Brain Canada Early-Career Capacity Building Grants or Future Leaders in Canadian Brain Research Grants. It has a funding envelope of \$1,000,000 CAD to support up to five grants of \$200,000 over two years. Through the Momentum Grants, we aim to provide researchers with funding to sustain and accelerate their ongoing research, allowing them to capitalize on the initial momentum generated through their seed funding.

Evidence clearly shows that increasing equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) in research environments enhances excellence, innovation, and creativity. Brain Canada is committed to excellence through equity, and we encourage applicants of diverse backgrounds to apply to our funding opportunities, which will promote the expression of diverse perspectives, approaches, and experiences, including those of underrepresented groups.?

### **Eligibility**

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- Applicants must have been previously awarded a 2018 Azrieli Foundation-Brain Canada Early-Career Capacity Building Grant or a Future Leaders in Canadian Brain Research Grant. Please note, to be eligible to apply to the Momentum Grants, the end date of the previous grant, including any no-cost extension period, must be before the expected funding start date of September 1, 2024, and the applicant must not have any overdue reporting to Brain Canada from their previous grant at this date.
- Applicants must demonstrate how the findings and/or outcomes of their initial grant led to the proposed research project; there must be a clear link and progression forward.
- Applicants must be conducting research at an eligible Canadian institution for the entire duration of the grant, and must be considered an independent researcher at their institution. Such an individual normally holds the rank of assistant, associate, or full professor; 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).
- Research applications may be related but cannot be identical to any other currently funded projects. It is the responsibility of the applicant to notify Brain Canada immediately should overlap arise from new funding awarded during the application and review process of this competition.
- Applicants must be able to initiate the project in September 2024 when funding is expected to begin.
- Each applicant is only eligible to apply to the Momentum Grants program up to two (2) times (i.e. two competition cycles).

## Funding Availability

This funding opportunity has a funding envelope of \$1,000,000 CAD to support up to five grants.

## Maximum Project Value

\$200,000 per grant

## Indirect Costs

0%

## Project Duration

2 years

## Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
<b>External Deadline</b>	Monday, February 12, 2024 - 5:00pm	Letter of Intent (LOI): Applicants must submit an LOI directly to sponsor using Brain Canada's electronic grant management system, <a href="#">SmartSimple</a> [2].
<b>Internal Deadline</b>	Friday, March 15, 2024 - 4:30pm	If invited to apply, applicant to submit a copy of application (signed by applicant) along with a complete OR5 form to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [3].
<b>External Deadline</b>	Friday, March 22, 2024 - 5:00pm	If invited to apply, applicant must submit their application directly to sponsor using Brain Canada's electronic grant management system, <a href="#">SmartSimple</a> [2].

## How to Apply

Please note that this funding opportunity includes a Registration Form and a Full Application stage. Applicants must submit a Registration Form in order to be eligible for the Full Application stage.

Registration Forms must be submitted using Brain Canada's electronic grant management system, [SmartSimple](#) [2].

It is the sole responsibility of the Principal Investigator to ensure their submission adheres to the requirements and is received by the deadlines outlined above.

For Questions, please contact

Brain Canada at [futureleaders@braincanada.ca](mailto:futureleaders@braincanada.ca) [4]

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## Links

[1] <https://braincanada.ca/funding-opportunities/>

[2] [https://braincanada.smartsimple.ca/s\\_Login.jsp](https://braincanada.smartsimple.ca/s_Login.jsp)

[3] <mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca>

[4] <mailto:futureleaders@braincanada.ca>

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