

## **WSIB: 2021 Grants Program Strategic Initiative**

### **Sponsor**

Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB)

### **For More Information**

For more information, please visit [Workplace Safety and Insurance Board's website](#) [1].

### **Description**

WSIB is seeking to fund one new award for a systematic review of the scientific evidence examining if occupational asbestos exposure causes gastro-intestinal cancers.

Specifically, the review must address:

- Gastro-intestinal cancers and the individual cancers (i.e. cancers of the esophagus, stomach, small bowel, colon and rectum)
- Individual types of asbestos (i.e. chrysotile, crocidolite, amosite, tremolite, actinolite and anthophyllite) where possible
- Identification of
  - Any dose-response relationships
  - Interdependent causes or synergistic relationships
  - Subgroups of workers who have an increased risk of developing gastrointestinal cancers and/or any of the individual cancers
- Examine any evidence for a minimum interval (latency) between the first exposure to asbestos and the diagnosis of gastrointestinal cancer and/or any of the individual cancers

### **Eligibility**

The research team will require a minimum of three (3) team members including:

- At least one member with a Doctorate in Epidemiology
- At least one member who has formal training in toxicology or industry hygiene (Masters Level or PhD)
- At least one member of the team must have demonstrated experience conducting systematic reviews including meta-analyses related to disease etiology

Expert researchers affiliated with an eligible applicant organization:

- Publicly funded universities or colleges
- Public hospitals with a specialized research area
- Not-for-profit or registered charitable organizations with the capability and capacity to conduct research
- Canadian non-governmental organizations with the capability and capacity to conduct research
- Other organizations that have the capability and capacity to conduct research and are not privately owned and operated may also be eligible for a WSIB grant.

**Note:** Private organizations are not eligible to apply for a WSIB research grant as a Project or Secondary Lead. Private organizations may be identified as a partner or collaborator of an eligible applicant organization.

## Funding Availability

One grant will be awarded with a funding term of up to 12 months and a total of \$150,000.

## Indirect Costs

0%

## Special Notes

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
<b>Internal Deadline</b>	Friday, May 21, 2021 - 4:30pm	Please submit your proposal, along with an OR-5 Form to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [3].

**External Deadline** Monday, May 31, 2021 -

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Type	Date	Notes
	11:59pm	Application form due to WSIB.

### How to Apply

To express interest and obtain an application form, please email [grants@wsib.on.ca](mailto:grants@wsib.on.ca) [4].

For Questions, please contact

#### WSIB

For inquiries regarding the application process, please contact the Grants Team at [grants@wsib.on.ca](mailto:grants@wsib.on.ca) [4].

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#### Links

[1] <https://www.wsib.ca/en/occupational-asbestos-exposure-and-development-gastro-intestinal-cancers-request-applications>

[2] <https://www.uoguelph.ca/research/>

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

[4] <mailto:grants@wsib.on.ca>

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