EARLY CAREER INVESTIGATOR PAIN RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM 2018
THIS AWARD IS NOW CLOSED

DESCRIPTION
The Canadian Pain Society (CPS) in partnership with Pfizer Canada is pleased to offer the Early Career Investigator Pain Research Grant Program. This grant will provide operating funds for early career researchers who recently entered a faculty position at a Canadian institution (University or Health Centre). This program aims to support operating costs of research and allow early career investigators to conduct pilot or preliminary research that can be used as the basis for a tri-council grant submission.

Two grants of $50,000 are available payable to the awardees institution: one in basic science and the one in clinical science. The duration of these grants is for one year, although an additional one year extension is available upon request if needed*. These funds are to support operating costs (e.g., participant stipends, reagents, research staff) and cannot be used towards the applicant’s salary or indirect costs. The review process will be overseen by the CPS Awards Chair. Applications will be reviewed by at least two independent reviewers who will rate the quality of the applicant and the proposed work.

AWARD
- Two grants of $50,000: (1) basic science and (1) clinical science
- One (1) complimentary Three (3) Day Scientific Meeting registration
- One (1) Complimentary Awards Gala ticket to the annual reception and dinner on Thursday, May 24, 2018 where the award will be presented

ELIGIBILITY & GUIDELINES
Applicants must:
- Hold a PhD, MD, PharmD, DMD/DDS or DVM with advanced training in research and have completed their final training within the past 5 years.
- Hold a faculty position at a Canadian institution (university or affiliated health institution).
- Be a current member of the Canadian Pain Society (click here to join CPS today).

Applications will be considered for innovative research in either basic or clinical science in any of the following areas:
- Mechanisms and management of chronic pain
- Transition from acute to chronic pain

Note: Projects covering the full range of biopsychosocial perspectives will be considered.
Awardees will be expected to:

- Acknowledge CPS/Pfizer funding in all publications and presentations resulting from the funded research.
- Submit a written report to the awards committee upon completion of the research.
- Submit their research project(s) to the CPS for a podium or poster presentation within 2 years of completion.

TO APPLY

Submissions must include:

- Completion of online form – CLICK HERE
- A cover letter (1 page maximum)
- Curriculum Vitae (CIHR Academic + 1 additional page for significant contribution)
- Research proposal (5 page maximum including figures and references; single-spaced, 11-point Arial or 12 point Times New Roman, minimum 2 cm margins)
- Budget outlining how the funds will be spent (1 page maximum).
- Two letters of support:
  - One (1) from a former mentor (e.g., PhD or fellowship supervisor)
  - One (1) from the Director/Dean of the faculty in which the candidate is a member.
- All documents must be combined and uploaded into one PDF file and cannot exceed 30 MB.
- Applications exceeding the page limits will not be considered.

QUESTIONS

Canadian Pain Society office (416) 642-6379 or awards@canadianpainsociety.ca

*Extension requests should be sent to the awards committee chair at awards@canadianpainsociety.ca. Should any funds remain unspent at the end of that period, they will need to be returned to the Canadian Pain Society. The award start date is June 1, 2018.

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