

Welcome to this edition of the Communications Bulletin for Faculty Members

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1. Subject: Sent on behalf of Dr. Susan Porter: Announcement: Welcome Dr. Erin Michalak

Sent on behalf of Dr. Susan Porter

Dear All,

I am very pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Erin Michalak to the position of Postdoctoral Coordinator for the Faculty of Medicine. Dr. Michalak is an Assistant Professor in the Mood Disorder Centre in the Department of Psychiatry at UBC. Her background is in psychology, with a BSc from the University of Manchester in the United Kingdom, and a PhD from the University of Wales College of Medicine. Her research interests are in bipolar disorder, seasonal and nonseasonal depression, quality of life, psychometrics and the development of outcome instruments for mood disorders. Dr. Michalak's research has been supported by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research (MSFHR) (she is a CIHR New Investigator and a MSFHR Scholar). She leads the MSFHR funded 'Collaborative RESearch Team for the study of psychosocial issues in Bipolar Disorder' (CREST.BD) and has approximately 40 scientific articles published or in press.

The role of Postdoctoral Coordinator is to ensure excellence in the training environment of research postdoctoral fellows. It includes facilitating professional development programs, providing advice and resources to both postdocs and supervisors, and implementing and overseeing relevant postdoctoral activities. Dr. Michalak joined us on May 26, 2008. Please join me in welcoming her to the team.

Regards,
Susan Porter
Assistant Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Education

2. Seeking Interested Faculty for New CME/PD Committee

The UBC Department of Psychiatry is in the process of developing a new Continuing Medical Education and Professional Development (CME/PD) Committee. Dr. Caroline Gosselin, the Director of CME/PD, will chair this committee and is seeking interested Faculty Members. The committee will provide community and hospital-based input into the development of new PD initiatives as well as the advancement of CME issues for the Department of Psychiatry Faculty.

We look forward to creating a strong faculty voice from throughout the province who will address our ongoing post-graduate learning in psychiatry.

Many thanks,
Caroline Gosselin
Director CME/PD
UBC Department of Psychiatry

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- Innovations to reduce 'presentation'
- Addressing workplace practices that reduce mental illness triggers
- Successful collaborative care or shared care practices

Deadline: July 14, 2008

For further information please visit their website: www.cpa-apc.org

2009 Competition - Centres of Excellence for Commercialization and Research (CECR) Call for Letters of Intent

The Networks of Centres of Excellence Program invites interested parties to submit Letters of Intent for the 2009 Centres of Excellence in Commercialization and Research competition. Not-

for-profit corporations created by universities, colleges, not-for-profit research organizations, firms, and other non-government parties are eligible to apply.

This second competition seeks proposals in priority areas that are currently underrepresented in the program, with a marked emphasis on Information and Communications Technologies and Environmental Science and Technologies. The new competition will award \$52M in funding. There is no target grant size or target number of centres to be funded.

The deadline for LOI submissions is **Tuesday, July 15, 2008, 4:30 PM Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)**. The NCE Secretariat expects to announce final results in early 2009.

Please visit their website for competition guidelines, deadlines & FAQ's:
http://www.nce.gc.ca/comp/CECR2009/cecr_e.htm

The Office of the Vice President Research in conjunction with the Health Research
Resource Office
invites NEW FACULTY to the

Research Orientation Day for New Faculty!

Tuesday, August 26th, 2008

8:45am to 5pm, Point Grey Campus

If you are new faculty, who started after January 1, 2006 or will start before
December 31, 2008 we look forward to seeing you for this great event!

Details

This workshop is being held for new faculty members (who started after January 1, 2006 or will start before December 31, 2008) to assist them in starting their research and scholarly activities at UBC. Targeted at both recent PhDs and experienced senior faculty joining UBC from elsewhere, this workshop is intended to introduce the issues, opportunities, and procedures for carrying out research at UBC.

Please visit the website for more details:

<http://www.research.ubc.ca/EventView.aspx?eventID=196>

Burroughs Wellcome Fund

The following Burroughs Wellcome Fund Award application deadlines are approaching.

- [Clinical Scientist Awards in Translational Research](#) (PDF attached)
Faculty of Medicine Internal Deadline: **On or before September 17, 2008**
Burroughs Wellcome Fund Deadline: October 1, 2008
- [Career Awards for Medical Scientists](#)
Faculty of Medicine Internal Deadline: **On or before September 17, 2008**
Burroughs Wellcome Fund Deadline: October 1, 2008.
- [Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease](#)
Faculty of Medicine Internal Deadline: **On or before October 17, 2008**
Burroughs Wellcome Fund Deadline: November 3, 2008.

4. Important Information on Sponsored Research from Provincial Ministries and US Federal Agencies

Dear UBC Researcher,

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> There are several important recent developments relating to
> government-sponsored research that I would like to make you aware of.
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> Earlier this year, the University Presidents' Council of British
> Columbia (TUPC) brokered a groundbreaking agreement between the
> Province and the public universities of British Columbia, the results
> of which will greatly improve and simplify research relationships
> between the two parties. The outcome of this collaborative process is
> a final report titled Research Relationships
> <http://www.pss.gov.bc.ca/psb/pdfs/TUPC_FinalReport.pdf> and a tool
> kit <http://www.pss.gov.bc.ca/psb/pdfs/TUPC_Toolkit.pdf> designed to
> guide the development of research relationships and sample
instruments
> that support them. The Report and the Tool Kit have been endorsed and
> approved by the Vice Presidents of Research at the universities, and
> by the Provincial Government. One of the most important agreements
> that was reached during the negotiations was agreement that the
> Universities may include indirect costs in their research budgets.
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> The second important development is the successful negotiation by UBC
> of an indirect cost recovery rate of 37.2% for funds coming from US
> Federal Agencies (excluding NIH and NSF).

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> Therefore, effective immediately, all budgets negotiated from this
> point forward for all grants, contracts and agreements funded by the
> BC Provincial Ministries (excluding The Forest Investment Account and
> the British Columbia Knowledge Development Fund) must include
overhead
> recovery. As per the agreement with the Provincial Ministries, the
> overhead recovery must be built into the price of the project, not
> included as a separate line item as has been our standard practice in
> the past. Although the UBC Policy on Overhead
> <<http://www.universitycounsel.ubc.ca/policies/policy87.pdf>>
currently
> states a more complex formula for calculating the appropriate
> overhead, I ask that you instead use an overhead rate of 25%
> calculated in addition to the direct costs for all grants, contracts
> and agreements with the Provincial Ministries. For example, if the
> total direct costs for a research project comes to \$100,000, then
> \$125,000 would be quoted as the total price.
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> As a result of the US federally-approved indirect cost recovery rate,
> where applicable, effective immediately a rate of 37.2% must be
> applied to all budgets for research projects sponsored by US Agencies
> (excluding NIH and NSF) covered under the negotiated rate.
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> The University will automatically deduct indirect costs at these
rates
> from all such contracts and agreements; therefore, researchers who do
> not incorporate these costs will experience a shortfall in their
> budget. Further communications about pending changes to the recovery
> of overhead on research projects sponsored by industry, government
and
> non-profit organizations will follow shortly.
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> Recovery of our indirect costs of research is critical for the
> University to continue to conduct world-class research and to deliver
> the necessary support to researchers. Thank you for your support.
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> Yours Truly,
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> John Hepburn
> Vice President Research

5. REMINDER of UPCOMING June 19 2008 CIHR Grant Workshop at UBC Point Grey

If you haven't yet confirmed your attendance at the CIHR Grant Workshop, but are still interested in joining us on June 19, please read on.

The working groups will be limited to six participants plus two experts representing the following CIHR Peer Review Committees:

1. Behavioural Sciences B, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology B, Biomedical Engineering, Cell Biology & Mechanisms of Disease, Cell Physiology, Experimental Medicine, Genetics, Health Policy & Systems Management Research, Medical Physics & Imaging, Respiratory Systems and Social Dimensions in Aging

Please note that the Theme 1 groups are filling up quickly, but there is still plenty of room in the Themes 2, 3 and 4 groups.

Please visit <http://www.research.ubc.ca/EventView.aspx?eventID=195> for more information and to register.

Thank you and we hope to see you there!

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IMPORTANT NOTE:

If you will be referring or supporting someone for a salary award who will require an academic appointment the Appointment, Promotion & Tenure Committee needs to review your application prior to the Head endorsing the application. For complete details on this policy please visit: http://www.psychiatry.ubc.ca/shared/assets/Academic_Appointment_With_Salary_Award6199.pdf

1. September CIHR Operating and Salary Award Competition – Registration August 15, full application September 15

CIHR and its partners have announced the June 2008 Funding Opportunities, including the Priority Announcements for the fall 2008 open competitions. Details on these funding opportunities can be found using the CIHR Funding Opportunities Database

<http://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/search.do?fodAgency=CIHR&fodLanguage=E>.

For the list of funding opportunities launched in June 2008, use the "Launch Date" option and select "6" and "2008" from the drop-down menus (to indicate June 2008), and click on "Search".

Several other upcoming deadlines:

Heart and Stroke Grants-in-Aid and Personnel Awards – September 1

NSERC Discovery Grants – NOI August 1, full application November 1

SSHRC Standard Research Grants – NOI August 15, full application October 15

2. NSERC Discovery Grant competition cycle.

This message signals the start of another NSERC Discovery Grant competition cycle. **All** researchers who intend to apply for a NSERC Discovery Grant (including a Project Research Grant in Subatomic Physics) in the 2009 competition **must** submit a Notification of Intent to Apply for a Discovery Grant (Form 180) and related documents. The deadline date for receipt of these documents is August 1st.

Potential applicants are asked to consult the NSERC Web site to access the necessary information and to complete and submit the electronic version of Form 180. A copy of the memorandum to potential applicants is available on the NSERC Web site at http://www.nserc.gc.ca/professors_e.asp?nav=profnav&lbi=a1_memo. The 2008 version of literature and forms will be available on our Web site as of August 5. However, applicants may start preparing their application prior to that date using the current version of the forms.

NOI Deadline: August 1, 2008, full application November 1

3. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) - Standard Research Grants

The broad purpose of the Standard Research Grants program is to support research and develop excellence in research activities in the social sciences and humanities.

NOI August 15, full application October

Please find more details at their website:

http://www.sshrc.ca/web/apply/program_descriptions/standard_e.asp

4. The Fondation Leducq –

2008-2009 Transatlantic Networks of Excellence in Cardiovascular Research Program

The Fondation Leducq, a French non-profit organization dedicated to promoting international research in cardiovascular disease, is issuing a call for applications for its *2008-2009 Transatlantic Networks of Excellence in Cardiovascular Research Program*. This program awards up to U.S. \$6 million over five years to internationally collaborative research teams, who work together to advance our knowledge and treatment of cardiovascular and neurovascular disease.

Expressions of interest due September 19, 2008

2008 Transatlantic Fellowship Award

As of 2008 the Fondation Leducq also offers a two year *Transatlantic Fellowship Award* that will allow four outstanding young researchers per year, two from North America and two from Europe, to work internationally with one of the scientific teams already assembled under the Leducq Foundation Transatlantic Networks of Excellence program.

Application deadline: September 18, 2008

Information is available on the Fondation Leducq website

www.fondationleducq.org

5. Heart and Stroke Grants-in-Aid and Personnel Awards

Approximately \$28 million is provided annually through provincial Heart and Stroke Foundations to support research operating costs through Grants-in-Aid.

These costs may include laboratory supplies, technicians, and some equipment.

Research is supported across the four health research themes:

1. basic biomedical
2. clinical
3. health services and health systems

4. health of populations

Applications are accepted annually on September 1.

Applications **must be received by 16:00 EDT** on the deadline date. If the deadline falls on a weekend, the application must be received by the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada by 16:00 EDT the previous Friday.

Please visit their website for more details: <http://www.hsf.ca/research/en/general/home.html>

6. Call for proposals for the Banff International Research Station 2010

The Banff International Research Station for Mathematical Innovation and Discovery (BIRS) is now accepting proposals for its 2010 programme. The Station provides an environment for creative interaction and the exchange of ideas, knowledge, and methods within the mathematical, statistical, and computing sciences, and with related disciplines and industrial sectors.

Full information, guidelines, and online forms are available at the website <http://www.birs.ca/>

BIRS is hosting a 48-week scientific programme in 2010. Each week, the station will be running either a full workshop (42 people for 5 days) or two half-workshops (20 people for 5 days). As usual, BIRS provides full accommodation, board, and research facilities at no cost to the invited participants, in a setting conducive to research and collaboration.

The deadline for 5-day Workshop and Summer School proposals is September 29, 2008.

In addition BIRS will operate its Research in Teams and Focused Research Groups programmes, which allow smaller groups of researchers to get together for several weeks of uninterrupted work at the station.

September 29, 2008 is also the preferred date to apply for these programmes. However, proposals for projects involving Research in Teams or Focused Research Groups can be submitted at any time -- subject to availability-- they must be received at least 4 months before their requested start date.

7. Gairdner Foundation

2009 Canada Gairdner Wightman Award

The late James A. Gairdner and his family established the Gairdner Foundation in 1957. Since then 289 awards for basic biomedical and clinical research have been given to those who have made major contributions through research to the conquest of disease and the relief of human suffering. The Foundation has had a remarkable record of encouraging excellence as 70 awardees have gone on to win a Nobel Prize in either medicine or chemistry.

On behalf of the Gairdner Foundation, we invite you to submit a nomination for the 2009 Canada Gairdner Wightman Award. Nominees should be Canadians, who, in the opinion of the Foundation, have demonstrated outstanding leadership in medicine and medical science.

Nomination Deadline: October 1, 2008

Details regarding the nomination process are at www.gairdner.org/awards/wightman



Clinical Innovations and Promising Practices in Psychiatric Disability Management



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In search of promising psychiatric practices

Special one time funding now available for clinicians with clinically-based applied research and knowledge transfer projects to facilitate

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Deadline for submissions: **July 14, 2008**

Go to www.cpa-apc.org to download the criteria and application guidelines.

For questions or to discuss your project idea, you can call CPA at 613 234 2815 ext 238



Foundation of the
Canadian Psychiatric Association

La Fondation de
l'Association des psychiatres du Canada





Gestion de l'invalidité psychiatrique : Innovations cliniques et pratiques prometteuses



Initiative en santé mentale en milieu de travail

Fonds d'innovation de la
Great-West compagnie d'assurance-vie
Fondation de l'Association des psychiatres du Canada

En demande : pratiques psychiatriques prometteuses

Financement ponctuel maintenant à la disposition des cliniciens chercheurs dont les projets sont fondés sur la recherche clinique appliquée et le transfert des connaissances visant à favoriser

- des taux de retour au travail améliorés
- la diminution des rechutes
- les innovations visant pour réduire le présentéisme
- les pratiques en milieu de travail qui réduisent les déclencheurs de maladies mentales
- les pratiques fructueuses en soins partagés ou en collaboration

Date d'échéance pour la soumission des projets :
le **14 juillet 2008**

Pour télécharger les critères et les lignes directrices, consulter le site web de l'APC au www.cpa-apc.org.

Pour toute question ou si vous désirez discuter de votre projet, communiquez avec L'APC au 613 234-2815, poste 238.



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