Date: August 12, 2014

From: Office of the Vice-President Research & International

To: Associate Deans Research, President's Advisory Committee – Major Awards, Faculty Research Awards Committee, Liu Institute, Peter Wall Institute, Hospital Affiliates, Award & Grant Facilitators.

Good afternoon everyone,

Please share the following information with Department Heads and Faculty Members:

**Effective Nomination Tracking:** Tracking UBC's participation in **major external award competitions** is an institutional priority. If you are planning to submit a nomination for one of the major external opportunities listed here, please advise the Faculty Awards Coordinator brenda.carrier@ubc.ca so nomination activity can be effectively and confidentially tracked. Nomination deadlines are also available on this webpage: [http://research.ubc.ca/vpri/nomination-deadlines](http://research.ubc.ca/vpri/nomination-deadlines)

The VPRI Office encourages departments, divisions, institutes, schools, and faculties to consider nominations of women and those from other underrepresented groups.

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### Summary – Major External Recognition Opportunities

#### THE ORDER OF CANADA – The Governor General of Canada
**Deadline:** Ongoing  
**Description:** All Canadians are eligible to be nominated for the Order of Canada, with the exception of federal and provincial politicians and judges while in office. There are no posthumous appointments. Officers and Members may be elevated within the Order in recognition of further achievement, based on continued exceptional or extraordinary service to Canada. Usually, promotions are considered five years after the first appointment. There is no deadline for nominations, as it is an on-going process.  
**Research Area(s):** All fields

#### STOCKHOLM WATER PRIZE - Stockholm International Water Institute
**Deadline:** September 15, 2014  
**Description:** The Stockholm Water Prize is the world’s most prestigious prize for outstanding achievement in water-related activities. Any activity that contributes broadly to the availability, conservation and protection of the world’s water resources, and to improved water conditions which contribute to the health of the planet’s inhabitants and ecosystems, is eligible to be nominated. The activities can be within the fields of outreach and awareness raising; policy and practices; and research. The work of the nominees should have great potential or proven impact. Over the years, the Stockholm Water Prize Laureates have represented regions from all over the world and a broad range of water-related activities, professions and scientific disciplines.
Research Area(s): Health & Life Sciences, Physical & Engineering Sciences, Social Sciences
USD $150,000

Sloan Research Fellowships - Alfred P. Sloan Foundation
Deadline: September 15, 2014
Description: The Sloan Research Fellowships seek to stimulate fundamental research by early-career scientists and scholars of outstanding promise. These two-year fellowships are awarded yearly to 126 researchers in recognition of distinguished performance and a unique potential to make substantial contributions to their field. The Sloan Research Fellows represent the next generation of top scholars in the sciences, economics, and mathematics. While Fellows are expected to be at an early stage of their research careers, there should be strong evidence of independent research accomplishments. Eligible fields are Chemistry, Computational and Evolutionary Molecular Biology, Computer Science, Economics, Mathematics, Neuroscience, Ocean Sciences, and Physics. Candidates must be nominated by a department head or other senior researcher. More than one candidate from a department may be nominated, but no more than three.

Research Area(s): Health & Life Sciences, Physical, Natural & Engineering Sciences, Social Sciences.
USD $50,000

Guggenheim Fellowships - John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation
Deadline: September 19, 2014
Description: Often characterized as "midcareer" awards, Guggenheim Fellowships are intended for men and women who have already demonstrated exceptional capacity for productive scholarship or exceptional creative ability in the arts. Approximately 200 fellowships are awarded annually in the arts, humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences. Since the purpose of the Guggenheim Fellowship program is to help provide Fellows with blocks of time in which they can work with as much creative freedom as possible, awards are made freely. The amounts of the awards vary, and the Foundation does not guarantee it will fully fund any project. Candidates may apply directly to the Guggenheim Foundation in order to be considered.

Research Area(s): Arts & Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences

INBEV-Baillet Latour Health Prize – INBev-Baillet Latour Fund
Deadline: September 30, 2014
Description: The INBev-Baillet Latour award is intended to recognize outstanding scientific achievements in biomedical research for the benefit of human health and to encourage the laureate in the pursuit of his/her career. The theme for 2015 is Metabolic Disorders. The Prize is open to scientists of all nationalities who have not received an equivalent Prize for their personal use. Exceptionally, the Prize may be shared between two persons who have collaborated over a long period.

Research Area(s): Health & Life Sciences
EUR $250,000

Fellowships – The Royal Society of London
Deadline: September 30, 2014
Description: Each year, the Fellows of the Royal Society elect up to 52 new Fellows and up to ten new foreign members. Candidates must have made 'a substantial contribution to the improvement of natural knowledge, including mathematics, engineering science and medical science'. Each candidate is considered on his or her own merits and can be proposed from any sector of the scientific community. Every effort is made to encourage nominations of women candidates and candidates from the emerging disciplines. Each candidate for Fellowship or Foreign Membership must be nominated by two Fellows of the Royal Society.

Research Area(s): Health & Life Sciences, Natural, Physical & Engineering Sciences

LE PRIX CANADA GAIRDNER AWARDS – The Gairdner Foundation

Deadline: October 1, 2014

THE CANADA GAIRDNER GLOBAL HEALTH AWARDS: This award is given to an individual scientist who has made "major scientific advances in any one the four areas of basic science, clinical science, or population or environmental health that have or have the potential to make a significant impact on health outcomes in the developing world" Nominations for leadership and administration, however outstanding, do not fall within the parameters of this award. The award is directed towards a single recipient and cannot be shared.

CAD $100,000.

CANADA GAIRDNER INTERNATIONAL AWARDS: This award recognizes outstanding biomedical scientists who have made original contributions to medicine with the goal of contributing through research to increased understanding of human biology and disease. The award recognizes an original, seminal contribution or discovery rather than a lifetime of work. Gairdner invites the scientific community to nominate qualified scientists from any branch of biomedicine. Nominees should be individuals whose "seminal discoveries and major scientific contributions constitute an original and significant achievement in biomedical science." Nominations in the field of translational research are welcome.

CAD $100,000.

CANADA GAITRDER WIGHTMAN AWARD is presented to a scientist who has demonstrated outstanding national leadership in medicine and medical science in Canada consistent with the purpose of Gairdner. This award is given for: 1) leadership in a specific field of biomedical sciences (basic, clinical, population health) in Canada and/or original and sustained contributions to that field at an internationally recognized level. 2) institutional academic and scientific leadership in Canada leading to the establishment and development of biomedical research in Canada and internationally.

CAD $100,000.

Research Area(s): Health & Life Sciences

DAN DAVID PRIZE - Dan David Foundation (Tel Aviv University)

Deadline: November 30, 2014

Description: The Dan David Prize recognizes and encourages innovative and interdisciplinary research that cuts across traditional boundaries and paradigms. It aims to foster universal values of excellence,
creativity, justice, democracy and progress and to promote the scientific, technological and humanistic achievements that advance and improve our world. Prizes are granted to individuals or institutions with proven, exceptional, distinct excellence in the sciences, arts, and humanities that have made an outstanding contribution to humanity. Three prizes are awarded in selected fields within the three Time Dimensions - Past, Present and Future. This year’s theme titles are: Past: Retrieving the Past: Historians and their Source. Present: The Information Revolution. Future: Bioinformatics.

**Research Area(s):** Multiple
USD$1 Million

**ERNEST C. MANNING AWARDS – Ernest C. Manning Foundation**
**Deadline:** December 1, 2014
**Description:** One of Canada’s most prestigious annual award programs is open to resident Canadian citizens who have demonstrated recent innovative talent in developing and successfully marketing a new concept, process or procedure.
awards: Encana Principal Award ($100,000), David E. Mitchell Award of Distinction ($25,000), Innovation Awards (2 at $10,000). The last award is available to citizens without the benefit of research facilities or advanced education.
**Research Area(s):** Multiple

**MOLSON PRIZES - Canada Council for the Arts & SSHRC**
**Deadline:** December 1, 2014
**Description:** Two prizes are awarded annually to distinguished individuals. One prize is awarded in the arts, one in the social sciences and humanities. To be nominated, candidates must have made a substantial and distinguished contribution over a significant period. In the words of the deed of the gift, the prizes are intended “to encourage Canadians of outstanding achievement in the fields of the Arts, the Humanities or the Social Sciences to make further contribution to the cultural or intellectual heritage of Canada....” These terms of reference are interpreted as follows: candidates must have clearly demonstrated “outstanding achievement” in order to be nominated “further contribution” indicates that the candidates should still be active and productive. The award is intended to encourage continuing contribution to the cultural and intellectual heritage of Canada.
**Research Area(s):** Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities
CAD$50,000

**THE GRUBER PRIZES – The Gruber Foundation**
**Deadline:** December 15, 2014
**Description:** The International Prize Program honors individuals in the fields of Cosmology, Genetics, and Neuroscience, whose groundbreaking work provides new models that inspire and enable fundamental shifts in knowledge and culture. Three prizes are available (Cosmology, Genetics or Neuroscience) and each recipient receives a gold medal and unrestricted cash prize.
**Research Area(s):** Health & Life Sciences, Physical & Engineering Sciences
USD $500,000

Kind regards,
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