CHILD HEALTH AND WELLNESS CATALYST AWARDS

We are proud to announce the results from the Child Health and Wellness Grand Challenge Catalyst competition – the first round of funding since Child Health and Wellness was announced as a research priority of the University of Calgary. Enabled by the Office of the Vice President Research and Alberta Children’s Hospital Foundation, these awards kickstart and propel innovative and interdisciplinary teams to address the Child Health and Wellness Grand Challenges.

ACHRI received 21 applications for the Branch Award stream and 12 applications for the Seedling Award stream. We are so impressed and inspired by the incredible submissions from Child Health and Wellness teams across the academy and our wider community. Please stay tuned for the next round of CHW funding this summer. A huge thank you to our large team of academic and community reviewers who evaluated the proposals.

Congratulations to the PI awardees and their outstanding teams:
Branch Catalyst Awards: Drs. Brent Hagel and Myriam Hemberger
Seedling Catalyst Awards: Drs. Lindsay Crowshoe, Linda Duffett-Leger, Steven Greenway, Simon Hirota, Carly McMorris and Jennifer Thull-Freedman.

Watch for our follow up story in UToday.
Congratulations to our talented researchers recognized by the Cumming School of Medicine as 2020 Celebration of Excellence awardees. We are so proud of our powerhouse community of child health and wellness researchers!

Drs. Jean Addington, Marie-Claire Arrieta, Signe Bray, Juliet Guichon, Benedikt Hallgrimsson, Adam Kirton, Catherine Lebel, Deborah Marshall, Scott McLeod, Carly McMorris, Katrina Milaney, Melanie Noel, Scott Patten, Reginald Sauve, Tyler Williamson, Gerald Zamponi  See awardees

More information

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Azrieli Science Grants Program
Neuroimmune System and Brain Development research opportunity
Five individuals or team projects will be awarded $150,000 a year for three years as determined by an external peer review process.
Letter of intent - May 14
Full application - July 9
More information
Contact Marian Zlomislic, Office of Advancement, if you plan to apply
mrzlomis@ucalgary.ca

Pediatric Health Outcomes Research Program
This program has been established to improve our understanding of the impact of changes in care delivery on children’s health outcomes. WCHRI and ACHRI are partnering to support this research and the development of provincial partnerships.
Deadline - June 15
More information

TRAINEE OPPORTUNITIES
ACHRI STEP Funding
The spring 2021 competition is now open for ACHRI trainee awards to support ACHRI members' and trainees' child, health and wellness research. Please consider applying for these fantastic opportunities provided through funding from the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation. Apply

- ACHRI Graduate Scholarships, Postdoctoral Fellowships, and Clinical Research Fellowships - Deadline May 3
- Small Research Grants - Deadline May 17

Eyes High Postdoctoral Funding
The Eyes High Postdoctoral Match-Funding Program is designed to support UCalgary faculty to recruit outstanding postdoctoral scholars. Spring competition deadline May 3 Apply

Reproducible Research using RStudio: How to save time using Literate Programming
Presented by ACHRI STEP and the Hotchkiss Brain Institute's REALISE Program
Tuesdays, 1 to 2 pm
Ongoing until April 20
Register

Maternal & Child Health Program
Please fill out this survey if you are a trainee and part of the Research in Progress sessions. Survey

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
Dr. Raylene Reimer, PhD, is the recipient of the 2021 Earle Willard McHenry Award for Distinguished Service in Nutrition by the Canadian Nutrition Society. The award recognizes scientists who advance nutrition science and education, and advocate for best practices and policies that value the importance of nutrition to the health of all Canadians. Reimer is a professor and associate dean (research) in the Faculty of Kinesiology and Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology. Congratulations!

IMAGING COMPETITION CELEBRATION

UCalgary's Striking Image Competition is celebrating the contest winners at a virtual event open to everyone. This year the competition highlights excellence in optical microscopy and promotes colour-blind friendly microscopy imaging.
Thursday, April 15 at 1 pm
Zoom link
Meeting ID: 952 4425 5083
Passcode: 930496
Jasper Greysson-Wong, PhD candidate, in Dr. Sarah Childs’ lab provided this image of the developing zebrafish showing the eye in blue.

EVENTS AND SEMINARS

Child Health and Wellness Seminars
Mondays 8:30 am - 9:30 am

April 12
Dr. Jillian Vinall Miller, PhD
*Early life trauma and chronic pain in youth*
[Register]

April 19, 2021
Dr. Joon Lee, PhD
Will Data Science, Machine Learning, and Artificial Intelligence Transform Health Systems?
[Register]

Special Child Health and Wellness Seminar
Thursday, April 29
11 am – 12 pm
Dr. Bruce Carleton, PharmD, FCP, FISPE, BC Children’s Hospital Research Institute
*Pharmacogenomic Research to Solve Drug-Induced Harm in Pediatric Patients with Cancer*
[Register]

Mini-Medical School
Monday, April 12
6:30 pm - 7:45 pm

COVID-19 and its Impact on Children's Immunity
Join ACHRI's Drs. Susa Benseler and Jim Kellner as they discuss the impact of COVID-19 on children's health and immunity, and their resiliency during the pandemic.
There is no cost to attend, but you will need a Calgary Public Library card.

Register

Calgary Adapted Hub
Thursday, April 15
5 pm - 6 pm
Mr. Eli Wolff, Power of Sport Lab
“Separate is Not Equal” Brown v. Board of Education Making the Case for Disability Inclusion in Sport

Register

SAVE THE DATE Owerko Centre Conference
Wednesday, June 9
9 am - 3:45 pm
Dr. Joanne Weinberg, PhD, University of British Columbia
Dr. Michael Kobor, PhD, University of British Columbia
More information

For all events visit the ACHRI calendar

Key resources UPDATED Covid-19 Information for Department of Pediatrics Research Operations | Updated Isolation Guidance | Procedure for sick students | Procedure for sick employees | Dashboard of cases on campus

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