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START HERE MICRO-LEARNING: EQUITABLE PATHWAYS

Curated by the One Child Every Child Equitable Pathways Accelerator, this introductory micro-learning module offers a starting point for engaging IDEA-informed (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Accessibility) research with greater clarity, intention, and care. Designed to support inclusive research excellence, the module introduces key concepts, terms, and foundational principles that help build a common language for understanding how inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility shape research design, practice, and knowledge mobilization.

[Check out the Inclusive Research Excellence Learning Suite](#)

CRDN RAREvolution Scholarship



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This Canadian Rare Disease Network (CRDN) opportunity supports students aged 17 to 29 living with a diagnosed or suspected rare disease as they pursue post-secondary education in Canada in Fall 2026. **[Apply by Friday, June 12](#)**

NEWS



Engineering prof explores new way of detecting sepsis in newborns

Richa Pandey developing biosensor technology in her lab to more quickly and painlessly detect serious condition

[Read story](#)



One Child Every Child study explores how donor human milk may protect babies' developing microbiome

UCalgary-led research could help rewrite the first days of life

[Read story](#)

INDIGENOUS ACCELERATOR BINGO



Learn, ask questions, reflect, decolonize and enter to win prizes through BINGO!

Download [BINGO card](#) and mark off squares by attending our workshops or by engaging in other Indigenous education activities. Prizes range from \$69 to \$240 in value. Questions? Email indigenous.ocec@ucalgary.ca

EVENTS

OCEC Film: Doctrine of Discovery

Wednesday, May 13: 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
HMRB 293

[Register](#)

OCEC Equitable Pathways Reading Group

Working Together: Practicing the Science of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Thursday, May 14: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

On Zoom and MED HSC 2063

Register by emailing jaim.paredespez@ucalgary.ca or olajumoke.oyebode@ucalgary.ca

ii'taa'poh'to'p strategy

Tuesday, May 26: 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Join the One Child Every Child Indigenous Accelerator team to discuss the ii'taa'poh'to'p strategy.

[Register](#)

Tipi Workshop

Day 1: Wednesday, May 27, 2:00 - 4:00 pm (Zoom)

Day 2: Thursday, May 28, 9 am - 12 pm (In-person on Main Campus)

Presented by the Office of Indigenous Engagement

[Register through UCalgary Portal](#)

[View Full OCEC Event Calendar](#)



QUARTERLY UPDATE



ACHRI Spring Update

On May 4, ACHRI Leadership provided an overview of space plans at ACH and HMRB, internal funding, and major research platforms and programs.

Thanks to all who attended!

[View Recording](#)

NEW MEMBERS



Please join us in welcoming:

- **Dr. Angelique Jenney** to the Care Transformation for Children Program. [View profile](#)
- **Dr. Michael Schlegelmilch** to the Child Brain and Mental Health Program. [View profile](#)
- **Candace Rusling** to the Child Health Data Science Program. [View profile](#)

NEWS

- **Children with genetic link to migraines more likely to suffer post-concussion headaches:** Drs. Serena Orr and Keith Yeates

PUBLICATIONS

- **Current Developmental Disorders Reports**, Dr. Deborah Dewey
- **Transformative therapies for sickle cell disease**, Dr. Greg Guilcher
- **A comprehensive approach to evaluating the clinical utility of genome sequencing in rare disease: A large prospective Canadian cohort**, Dr. Deborah Marshall
- **Balanced Fluid or 0.9% Saline in Children Treated for Septic Shock**, PRoMPT BOLUS team

RESEARCHER OPPORTUNITIES

NEW ACHRI SMB 'PLUS' PROGRAM

The 'Plus' Program is a new program introduced by ACHRI alongside the existing Startup-Match-Bridge Program, which is designed to expand funding opportunities for CHW researchers and support continued research excellence. The program includes three new streams of funding support available to ACHRI members in good standing:

- Small Equipment Grants
- Community-Engaged Research Funding
- Finish-Line Funding

Rolling intake deadlines: last Friday in May, September and January

[Learn more](#)

2026 ACHRI CATALYST AWARDS

Overview

- Seedling Projects: up to \$75K for 2 years
- Branch Projects: up to \$150K for 2 years

LOI Deadline: Wednesday, June 10 at noon

Full Application Deadline: Monday, September 21 at noon

Apply through Good Grants

[Learn more](#)

Sanofi Awards

Pre-Prosals Due for Internal Review: Wednesday, May 20

Call for Collaborative Research Projects on the Brain

RSO Detailed Review Deadline: Wednesday, May 27 at noon

CIHR Other: One Health Antimicrobial Resistance Research Network (2026)

RSO Final Internal Review Deadline: Tuesday, June 16 at noon

Cumming School of Medicine Commercialization Office Proof and Propel Grants

Deadline: Friday, July 10

Operating Grant: Data Analysis Using Existing CDN Databases and Cohorts (2026)

Pre-Application Program Deadline: Wednesday, September 2 at 6:00 pm

Operating Grant: ECRs in Human Development, Child and Youth Health (2026)

Pre-Application Program Deadline: Tuesday, September 15 at 6:00 pm

PERC CLINICAL RESEARCH WORKFORCE SURVEY

This first-of-its-kind Pediatric Emergency Research Canada (PERC) initiative aims to better understand the current landscape of clinical research roles across Canada, including the challenges, gaps, and opportunities facing those who support and advance clinical research. **Take 10-minute survey by Thursday, May 21**

To search for other research funding opportunities, visit [UCalgary's Research Opportunities Database](#).

TRAINEES & POSTDOCS

SUMMER STUDENT WORKSHOP SERIES

The Cumming School of Medicine Workshop Series is starting soon! ACHRI, the Owerko Centre, HBI, Libin, McCaig, O'Brien, Charbonneau, and Snyder Institute have teamed up to provide summer students with outstanding opportunities and resources to enrich your summer research experience. **Register**



ACHRITA Collaboration

On May 1, the ACHRITA Executive Team volunteered at a community outreach event at the Children's Cottage Society. Such a great example of trainees supporting kids and families in Calgary.

GRAD SNACKS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Looking for a quick and low effort way to volunteer on your own time on Foothills Campus? Join the GradSnacks volunteer team! We are looking for Graduate Student volunteers to refill the snack bins in the Zen Den to make sure we have snacks available throughout the summer. **Sign up**

For details on ACHRI and OCEC trainee awards, please visit our [Trainee Funding page](#).

Questions? Email achri.training@ucalgary.ca

ACHRI/OCEC supervisors: Please encourage your trainees to [register](#) to receive the newsletter, updates and access to funding and workshops.

OWERKO CENTRE EDUCATION AWARDS

Fueling innovative research in neurodevelopment and child mental health research, the following awards are available for graduate students, postdocs and research staff with a supervisor who is a member of the Owerko Centre:

- Owerko Centre Graduate Scholarship
- Owerko Centre Knowledge Dissemination and Engagement Award
- Owerko Centre Publication Award
- Owerko Centre Research Staff Award

Apply by this Wednesday, May 13

[Learn more](#)

EVENTS AND SEMINARS

Developmental Genetics

Research-In-Progress Seminar Series

Cole Chute (Dr. Tim Shutt lab) & Dr. Weizhen Hou (Dr. Deborah Kurrasch lab)

Wednesday, May 13: 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Theatre One

AbSPORU Journal Club

Leveraging SPOR Approach:

Patient-Oriented Innovation for the Medical Device Sector

Wednesday, May 20: 10:00 - 11:00 am

[Register](#)

4th Heritable Aortic Diseases Symposium

May 22 - 23

UBC Robson Square, Vancouver

[Register](#)

Child Health and Wellness Seminar

Advancing Metabolic Mapping of the Developing Brain:

From MR Spectroscopic Imaging Innovation to Clinical Applications

Dr. Chathura Kumaragamage

Monday, May 25: 8:30 - 9:30 am

[Register](#)

Female, Woman, and Girl Athlete Health and Safety

Community of Research and Practice

Monthly Virtual Seminar Series

Sport participation during pregnancy and postpartum:

Athlete, researcher, and clinician perspectives

Wednesday, May 27: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

[Register](#)

2026 Scientific Meeting of the Canadian DOHaD Society

June 2 - 3

Western University

[Register by April 15](#)

Owerko Centre Neurodevelopmental Clinical Research Rounds

A Moving Target: Lifespan Perspectives on ADHD Identification and Assessment

Dr. Brandy Callahan

Wednesday, June 3: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Main Floor Boardroom, CDC or Zoom

[Register](#)

Owerko Centre Conference 2026

Tuesday, June 9

Conference: 9:00 am - 3:10 pm

Reception: 3:10 - 4:30 pm

Azrieli Atrium and Theatre 4, Health Sciences Centre

Join us for the Owerko Centre Conference: *Growing up in a changing world: Navigating new realities for children and families*. Experts will explore some challenges and complexities that families face today, from the mental health impacts of climate change to growing up in an increasingly digital world.

Register by Tuesday, June 2

Submit abstract by Friday, May 15 at 9 am

2026 Pathways to Prevention Symposium: Reuniting for Global Impact

Speakers: Drs. Bruce Perry, Marc Brackett and John Stuart Ablon

October 27 - 29

Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel

[Register](#)

For all events, visit the [ACHRI calendar](#).

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