UBC Gunn IMS/Neuropathic Pain Research Program

History

In 2011, a partnership between Dr. Chan Gunn and the University of British Columbia (UBC) resulted in the successful launch of a research program focused on Intramuscular Stimulation (IMS) and neuropathic pain. With the support of Dr. Gunn, the Faculty of Medicine’s Division of Sports Medicine - a pioneer and international leader in its own right - established a framework through which to propel IMS forward, extending IMS into new medical applications and to additional health care professionals locally, nationally and internationally. Research studies are necessary to make the benefits and effectiveness of IMS more widely known, to further refine the technique for new applications, and to continue advancing knowledge of neuropathic pain management.

How to Apply

Applications are invited from qualified practitioners/scientists in Canada. The process is competitive and successful applications will have a high degree of scientific rigor. Funds awarded are to be used solely for research. The maximum award is $50,000 and the term of the award is two years. Yearly reports and financial statements are mandatory. These funds shall not be used for indirect costs of research (e.g. overhead, equipment, computers, etc.).

For those with a UBC appointment, the Office of Research Services website ([https://ors.ubc.ca/](https://ors.ubc.ca/)) outlines the step-by-step process for submitting your grant proposal to UBC and how your funding is managed.

All applications will be peer reviewed. Submissions are evaluated and given a priority score, which will be used to recommend funding by the Scientific Review Committee within the Division of Sports Medicine. Successful grants will be administered through Research and Trust Accounting at UBC. All studies are to be reviewed by a Clinical Ethics Board and funds are released when the Ethics Certificate is granted.

There is one grant competition per year. If you would like to apply for a grant, please see the General Instructions document and the Application Form.

Submissions are to be received by September 15th of each calendar year.
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Grant Application Information

General Instructions:

- Part I
  • Fill out the Grant Application Form

- Part II
  • Submit a proposal, maximum of 10 pages, exclusive of references but including a detailed, justified budget. Please do not submit more than 10 pages. The review committee will only read 10 pages.
  • Ensure the header contains the principal investigator’s name and the footer contains page numbers. A 12-point font must be used.
  • Please attach a current CV of the principal investigator

Ethics certificate

A Clinical Research Ethics Board (CREB) must review all research projects. Investigators that do not have academic appointments will need to partner with an individual in order to have their research reviewed by CREB. Applications without valid ethics certificates will be reviewed, but no funding will be released until ethics approval has been received.

Deadline

Applications must be received by 5:00 pm on September 15th of each calendar year. Late applications will not be reviewed.

Notification

• Successful applicants will be notified via email by November 15th of the same calendar year (or the first business day following should this date fall on a weekend).
• Please submit a PDF copy of your full application to anna.scales@ubc.ca
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Grant Application - Part I

Principal Investigator’s Name: Surname, Given name(s)

Mailing Address:

Email Address:

Telephone:

Project Period:
- From: (Day/Month/Year)
- To: (Day/Month/Year)

Title of Project:

Abstract of Proposal (Approx. 300-word limit):

Signature of Principal Investigator: ___________________________ Date: _____________