EARLY CAREER INVESTIGATOR PAIN RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM 2015

The Canadian Pain Society (CPS) in partnership with Pfizer Canada is pleased to offer the EARLY CAREER INVESTIGATOR PAIN RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM. This award will provide operating funds for early career researchers who recently entered a faculty position at a Canadian institution (University or Health Centre). This program aims to support operating costs of research and allow early career investigators to conduct pilot or preliminary research that can be used as the basis for a tri-council grant submission.

Two grants of $50,000 are available: one in basic science and the other in clinical science. The duration of these grants is for one year, although an additional one year extension is available upon request if more time is needed given the nature of the research.

Applicants must:

a. Hold either a PhD, MD, PharmD, DMD/DDS or DVM with advanced training in research and have completed their final training within the past 5 years.

b. Hold a faculty position at a Canadian institution (university or affiliated Health Institution); trainees are eligible to apply if they are in their final year of training and have a confirmed faculty position within 12 months of the application deadline.

c. Be a current member of the Canadian Pain Society.

Applications will be considered for innovative research in either basic or clinical science in any of the following areas:

1. Management of chronic pain
2. Transition from acute to chronic pain
3. Pain pathways

Submissions must include a cover letter, Common CV (e.g. CIHR, NSERC-CRSNG), 5-page research proposal, and 1 page budget outlining how the funds will be spent. Two letters of support are required: one from a former mentor (e.g., PhD or fellowship supervisor) and one from the Director/Dean of the faculty in which the candidate is a member or to which s/he is applying.

Recipients will be expected to submit a report to the review committee upon completion of the research. CPS/Pfizer funding should be acknowledged in all presentations/publications resulting from the research.

REVIEW PROCESS
The review process will be overseen by the CPS Awards Chair. Applications will be sent out for review by two independent reviewers who will rate the quality of the applicants and proposed work.

The award provides complimentary conference registration for the annual CPS Scientific Meeting and a complimentary dinner ticket. The recipients will be announced at the dinner/awards evening at the 2015 conference, May 20-23, 2015.

Submissions by e-mail only to awards@canadianpainsociety.ca

Questions can be directed to the Canadian Pain Society office at 416-642-6379 x1

APPLICATION DEADLINE is February 1, 2015

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