# INNOVATIONS IN IBD RESEARCH APPLICATION GUIDELINES & TERMS OF REFERENCE



#### Description

Crohn's and Colitis Canada invites applications for funding novel or innovative approaches to inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) research. "Innovations in IBD" is intended to stimulate and support IBD-related research which may not be encompassed within the boundaries of other research funders.

All proposals must conform to sound principles of research and all studies involving human subjects and/or animals must be reviewed and approved by an appropriate Institutional Review Board of a recognized institution before funding flows. This competition will fund innovative projects deemed scientifically excellent, will refine hypotheses and/or produce preliminary data that will help seed larger projects and have the potential to improve diagnosis, therapy or prevention of IBD.

#### **Funding**

Grants to a maximum of \$50,000 CDN for up to one year may be awarded. No "overhead" support is permitted.

### Eligibility

The **Principal Investigator** can be a postdoctoral fellow or someone with a faculty or equivalent appointment at the institution. There can be only one Principal Investigator for each proposal.

The **applicant institution** must be a nonprofit, charitable institution, such as a university, hospital or research organization. Applications are accepted from institutions within Canada and abroad.

Applications must be submitted in English or French.

## Review of applications

Applications will be assessed for eligibility by the Research Chair of the Crohn's and Colitis Canada Scientific & Medical Advisory Council. Eligible and potentially fundable applications will then be reviewed by a minimum of two external reviewers selected by the SMAC Research Chair. Reviewers will include researchers and/or practitioners with direct knowledge and expertise in the subject area of the proposed project.

## Application deadline & procedure

Applications must be submitted through the <u>online application form</u> available on the Crohn's and Colitis Canada website. **Applications** for the 2018 competition must be received by 11:59 pm (EST), on Friday, January 19, 2018.

Please note, applications are no longer being accepted via email or mail. If you encounter any difficulties with the online application form, please contact <a href="mailto:research@crohnsandcolitis.ca">research@crohnsandcolitis.ca</a>. Successful applicants must be members of the <a href="mailto:Crohn's and Colitis Canada IBD">Crohn's and Colitis Canada IBD</a> Research Institute.

## **Application format**

All additional pages uploaded through the online application must be 8.5" x 11", single-sided, single-spaced, with ¾ inch margins on all sides, in 11 point Arial font size. Condensed type or spacing is NOT acceptable. Please note that all documentation must be submitted through the online application.

## **Detailed research proposal**

Applicants should provide a clear, concise description of their research proposal. A maximum of 5 pages may be submitted (bibliographic references are excluded from this 5 page limit.) Page limits do not include references, tables, charts, figures and photographs which may only be included after the bibliography. Applicants are permitted to submit figures and/or tables describing preliminary data and relevant legends. Legends should be succinct. Detailed descriptions of methods and discussion of results should be included in the body of the proposal, they should not be in the legends nor included as an appendix. Questionnaires and consent forms may be uploaded as appendices, where applicable. Up to 5 manuscripts/publications from the candidates(s) that support this grant can be uploaded as part of the application.

No other additions or appendices are permitted. Excess data will be returned to the applicant, who will have 48 hours for re-submission.

**Formatting:** Text must be single-spaced, 11 point Arial font size (including labels and descriptions accompanying figures, tables, charts, photographs, etc.), with ¾ inch margins on all sides.

Header: "Innovations in IBD Proposal" in the left corner with applicant's name in right corner.

Footer: Number pages consecutively with page numbers centered.

#### **Contact Information**

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