2018 Brain Tumour Research Grant Outline & Guidelines

Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is a national, not-for-profit organization dedicated to reaching every Canadian affected by a brain tumour through support, education, information, and research.

Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is seeking outstanding researchers conducting quality brain tumour research. All such proposals will be given serious consideration, including pediatric brain tumour research and quality of life research. Additionally, we are interested in receiving innovative research proposals – those that incorporate novel or original concepts that have the potential to make a difference.

**TYPES OF RESEARCH FUNDED- All types inclusive of Pediatric Projects**

Applications will be considered for Basic, Clinical or Translational Research. All research areas will be given serious consideration.

*Basic Research*: In this context, ‘Basic’ research involves the development of new concepts (e.g. signaling pathways using an in vitro model). Basic science research is meant to increase our scientific knowledge base, with the intent of bettering our understanding of the cause and progression of brain tumours.

*Clinical Research*: In this context, ‘Clinical’ is defined as research that involves a particular person or group of people. This includes treatment trials, epidemiological studies, quality of life studies, outcomes, health services research or other patient-oriented research. The process of clinical research must protect personal data.

*Translational Research*: In this context, ‘Translational’ is defined as pre-clinical research evaluating the therapeutic potential of recent discoveries in the basic mechanisms of either brain tumour pathogenesis or experimental therapeutics. Human studies are excluded.

**AMOUNT OF GRANTS FUNDED**

Applications for grants of up to $25,000.00 will be considered.

**DURATION OF FUNDING**

Funding is awarded for projects for which it can be expected that they can be reasonably completed within two years time. All funding is provided up front; however, official documentation of account balance is required with each report and unused funds exceeding $3000 will be required to be returned.

**REQUIREMENTS OF FUNDING**

Researchers who receive a grant from Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada will be asked to submit a report on an annual basis for the first two years. The first report to be sent a year after the funds for the project are received.
A final report is expected once the project is complete. Notification of any publications resulting from the project should also be forwarded to Susan Ruypers. This information will be shared with our donors, supporters, and other individuals through our publications and at events organized by Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada, for patients and medical professionals.

A financial report is required at both stages of the above in the format provided by Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada.

SELECTION CRITERIA QUALIFICATIONS

1. Qualifications of applicant
2. Quality of the research proposal
3. Ability of proposed laboratory or institution to conduct the project

LOCATION CRITERIA: Funds will be granted across Canada for projects to be performed in Canada.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

Grant applications must be received or postmarked by April 27, 2018. The selection process and approval will take place shortly after and the results will be communicated to all applicants by end of June, 2018.

Please mail the original copy and 10 additional copies of the completed grant application, and also email your application as a PDF directly to Susan Ruypers: sruypers@braintumour.ca

Please mail original application to:

Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada
Attn: Research Committee
205 Horton St. E, Suite 203
London, ON N6B 1K7
Re: 2018 Research Grant Application

The members of the Research Committee of Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada, who will review the grant applications, are from many different backgrounds: medicine, industry, business, philanthropy, etc. If you feel it is necessary to use complex terminology, please try to explain such terms as clearly as possible. The Research Committee also seeks the help of outside reviewers. Applications that are reviewed and ranked are based on the following: Understandability, Purpose of Research, Budget, Expectations/Pitfalls, Meaningful Contribution and Overall Application. All are ranked on a 0,1,3,6,9 basis and top applications are re-reviewed and ranked if needed.

If any required components of your application are not received or included your application will not be reviewed.

If you have any questions please call or e-mail Susan Ruypers, Research and Education Specialist at:

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Alternatively, please visit www.braintumour.ca/Research to download a copy of the Grant Application and these guidelines.
2018 Brain Tumour Research Grant Application Guidelines
Deadline for Applications – April 27, 2018

These guidelines are designed to facilitate the completion of Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada Research Grant Application.

1. The principal applicant **must have an appointment** at a university, research institute, hospital or pharmaceutical company.

2. The principal applicant **must be the lead researcher** on the project.

3. Funds will be granted across Canada for **projects to be performed in Canada**.

4. Grants of **up to $25,000.00** will be funded.

5. Projects of an anticipated duration of up to two (2) years will be considered. Please inquire about funding for projects with an anticipated duration of longer than two years **prior** to submitting an application.

6. Capital equipment funding will not be considered.

7. Funding for equipment specifically required for the project will be considered.

8. Applications for travel funds will only be considered for up to 5% of final budget.

9. A principal applicant can only submit one proposal that will be considered for funding for **one (1) project only**.

10. Researchers who have received a grant from Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada the previous year are not eligible to apply. **Grant recipients, who have already submitted project report(s), may apply again two (2) years after their initial award.**

11. Researchers who are successful must send through all required documentation as well as a high resolution photo of themselves to appear in Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada publications (online and in print).

12. Researchers who receive a grant from Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada will be asked to **submit a report on the project as well as a financial report on an annual basis for the two years of the project. The first report must be submitted one year after the funds for the project are received. As well, a final report is expected once the project is complete. Unused funds exceeding $3,000 are required to be returned to the organization.** This information will be shared with our donors, supporters, and other individuals through our publications and at events organized by Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada for patients and medical professionals.

13. Where research involving human and/or animal subjects is indicated, applications will be reviewed as to the scientific validity of the project. **Confirmation of approval of ethics, or of submission to the appropriate boards, is required prior to submission.**

15. Submit the signed original of the application, as well as, email your application as a PDF to Susan Ruypers: sruypers@braintumour.ca


You are requested to advise Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada promptly should you decide to withdraw your application for any reason.