

2023 Brain Tumour Research Feature Grant- Pediatric, GBM and QOL

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.

We are currently seeking outstanding researchers conducting research relevant to Pediatrics, GBM and Quality of Life. All such proposals will be given serious consideration that are Brain Tumour related.

Applications can be from multidisciplinary teams or individual investigators. Multidisciplinary collaborations are encouraged, yet applications must be submitted by the lead investigator.

Applications will be considered for Basic, Clinical or Translational Projects.

Basic Research: In this context, 'Basic' research involves the development of new concepts (eg. 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 \$50,000 will be considered.

EXAMPLES OF APPROPRIATE PROJECTS

- Qualitative or Quantitative Studies
- Case Control or Cohort Studies
- Clinical Studies
- Health, economics and Service Systems
- Methodology Development
- Development of Measurement Tools
- Efficacy or Effectiveness of Novel Interventions

DURATION OF FUNDING

Funding is awarded for projects that are expected to be completed within two years time. Funds will be released once approved copy of ethics is provided. Official documentation of account balance is required with each report and unused funds exceeding \$3000 will be required to be returned to Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada upon completion of the project.

REQUIREMENTS OF FUNDING

Researchers who receive a grant from Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada are required to **submit** annual reports for the duration of your project. This includes a lay summary of the project outcomes, presentations and posters to date and an official accounting of the project from awarded financial department. The first report is due one year after the funds are disbursed.

A final report is expected once the project is complete. Grant support from Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada must be acknowledged in all publications, presentations and posters. Notification of any publications resulting from the project should also be forwarded to Susan Ruypers. This information will be shared on our website, 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 used by awarded institution.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

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

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

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

Grant applications must be <u>received or postmarked by April 14, 2023</u>. Applications will be reviewed shortly after and the results will be communicated to all applicants by **late July 2023**

Please mail the **complete original copy** and <u>5 complete additional copies</u> of the grant application, and also <u>email your application as ONE PDF</u> directly to Susan Ruypers: <u>sruypers@braintumour.ca</u>

Please mail original application to:

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

Re: 2023 Brain Tumour Research Feature Grant

The Research Committee of Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada, who will review the grant applications, come from diverse backgrounds including: medicine, industry, business, philanthropy, psychology etc. If you feel it is necessary to use complex terminology, please try to explain such terms as clearly as possible. The Research Committee may also seek assistance of external reviewers, if required. Applications that are reviewed and ranked on the following

criteria: Understandability, Purpose of Research, Budget, Expectations/Pitfalls, Meaningful Contribution and Overall Application.

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:

 Phone:
 519-642-7755 ext. 240

 Toll Free:
 1-800-265-5106 ext. 240

 E-Mail:
 sruypers@braintumour.ca

Alternatively, please visit <u>www.braintumour.ca/Research</u> to download a copy of the Application and Guidelines.

2023 Brain Tumour Research Feature Grant- Application Guidelines Deadline for Applications – April 14, 2023

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

- 1. The principal applicant **must have an appointment** at a university, research institute, or hospital.
- 2. The principal applicant **must be the lead researcher** on the project but, multidisciplinary team collaborations encouraged.
- 3. Funds will be granted across Canada for **projects to be performed in Canada**.
- 4. Grants of up to \$50,000 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 awarded a grant from Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada must submit 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. A final report is due once the project is complete. Unused funds exceeding \$3,000 are required to be returned to Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada. All reports will be shared on our website, 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, would be required if successful, within 3 months of receiving notification of receiving award.
- 14. Applications must be submitted to Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada, Attention: Research Committee, 250 Horton Street E., Suite 203, London, Ontario N6B 1K7 Re: 2023 Brain Tumour Research Feature Grant Application
- 15. Submit the signed **original** of the application, as well as, **email your application as ONE PDF** to Susan Ruypers: sruypers@braintumour.ca
- 16. Deadline for submissions is April 14, 2023, 4:30pm ET, NO EXCEPTIONS.

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