



2024 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 consideration. Additionally, we are interested in receiving innovative research proposals which incorporate novel or original concepts that have the potential to make a difference and projects that involve collaboration.

TYPES OF RESEARCH FUNDED- ALL Adult and Pediatric brain tumour projects

Applications will be considered for Basic, Clinical, Translational Research and Population Studies.

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: Research in which people, or data or samples of tissue from people, are studied to understand health and disease. Clinical research helps find new and better ways to detect, diagnose, treat, and prevent disease. Types of clinical research include clinical trials, which test new treatments for a disease, and natural history studies, which collect health information to understand how a disease develops and progresses over time.

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.

Population Study: A study of a group of individuals taken from the general population who share a common characteristic, such as age, sex, or health condition. This group may be studied for different reasons, such as their response to a drug or risk of getting a disease.

AMOUNT OF GRANTS FUNDED

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

DURATION OF FUNDING

Funding is awarded for projects which can be expected to 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 used at your institution.

SELECTION CRITERIA QUALIFICATIONS

1. Qualifications of applicant
2. Quality of the research proposal
3. Ability of proposed laboratory or institution to conduct the project
4. Contribution project will have on lives of BT patients/caregivers/HCPs
5. Use of jr. investigators and other collaborative participants

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 **November 15, 2024**. The selection process and approval will take place shortly after and the results will be communicated to all applicants, early 2025.

Please mail the **original copy** and **4 additional copies** of the completed grant application, and also **email your application as ONE 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: 2024 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, psychology etc. If you feel it is necessary to use complex terminology, please ensure terms are as clear as possible. The Research Committee also seeks the help of outside reviewers, when needed.

Only complete applications are reviewed and ranked, based on the following: Understandability, Purpose of Research, Budget, Expectations/Pitfalls, Meaningful Contribution, Collaboration, Innovation 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, Manager of Mission Support and Resources:

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Toll Free: 1-800-265-5106 ext. 240
E-Mail: sruypers@braintumour.ca

2024 Brain Tumour Research Grant Application Guidelines Deadline for Applications – November 15, 2024

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 like organization.
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. Institutional overhead costs will not be considered.
8. Funding for equipment specifically required for the project will be considered.
9. Applications for travel funds will only be considered for up to 5% of final budget.

10. A principal applicant **can only submit one (1) proposal** that will be considered for funding of one (1) project.
11. 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.**
12. Researchers who are successful must send through all required documentation as well as a high resolution photo (1280 x 720 pixels) of themselves that is not a close up, to appear in Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada publications (online and in print).
13. 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.
14. 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 and a final copy due within 60 days of successful application.
15. Applications must be submitted to Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada, Attention: Research Committee, 205 Horton Street E., Suite 203, London, Ontario N6B 1K7 Re: 2024 Brain Tumour Research Grant Application
16. Submit the signed **original** of the application **and 4 copies by mail**, as well as, **email your application as ONE PDF** to Susan Ruypers: sruypers@braintumour.ca
17. Deadline for submissions is **November 15, 2024.**

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