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Investing in Manitoba's Future

\$1.24M Investment in research will support Master's Students and Early Career Researchers

Research Manitoba announced today \$1,293,295 in research funding to support 25 Master's students and 12 early career researchers in Manitoba.

"By investing in these individuals, we are advancing our province's world class research enterprise, growing Manitoba's economy, and developing talent for today and tomorrow," said Christina Weise, Chief Executive Officer at Research Manitoba. "Research is a driver of Manitoba's prosperity and we would like to thank our partners who have been with us on this journey for the last several years."

CancerCare Manitoba Foundation, Children's Hospital Research Institute of Manitoba (CHRIM), Health Sciences Centre Foundation, and the Lung Association, Manitoba are providing an additional \$100,950 in support of the 2019 Master's Studentships.

"This partnership with Research Manitoba helps build the excellence of research within CHRIM and augments our investments in research." – Terry Klassen, CEO and Scientific Director, CHRIM

"On the behalf of the one in five Manitobans living with a breathing issue The Lung Association, Manitoba is pleased to contribute to the respiratory research community in Manitoba by helping a new researcher such as Chelsea Day continue their development." – Neil Johnston, President and CEO, Lung Association, Manitoba

"Support for students and early career investigators is essential for training the next generation of cancer researchers in Manitoba." – Neil Watkins, Research Director, CancerCare Manitoba

Weise noted that the research projects will be taking place in the health, natural and social sciences, engineering and humanities. The funding supports highly qualified Master's trainees to prepare for careers in industry, government, or within Manitoba's research enterprise. Support for the early career researchers helps these new recruits establish independent research programs in Manitoba and achieve the research productivity necessary to be successful in obtaining funding from national and other external agencies.

The list of the 2019 GRANTS & AWARDS recipients is attached for information.

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About Research Manitoba:

Research Manitoba promotes, supports, and coordinates the funding of research excellence in health, natural and social sciences, engineering and the humanities in Manitoba. Our organization cultivates local talent development by investing in early career researchers and graduate students and fosters strategic partnerships to bolster innovation and commercialization in the province. For more information, visit: www.researchmanitoba.ca.

About our Partners:**Children's Hospital Research Institute of Manitoba:**

The Children's Hospital Research Institute of Manitoba was established in 2001. [CHRIM](http://www.chrim.mb.ca) is the research division of the Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba. At the Institute, more than 270 world-class pediatric medical researchers, technical staff, students and support staff are involved in over \$20 million of research and clinical trial activity each year.

Health Sciences Centre Foundation:

Health Sciences Centre is Manitoba's flagship hospital with specialized support for trauma, neurosurgery, burns, transplants, and psychiatric health. Donations to the HSC Foundation enable HSC to improve care in these and other areas through important research initiatives, training opportunities for health care staff, the acquisition of cutting-edge medical equipment, and the development of new state-of-the-art facilities. Visit: <http://www.hscfoundation.mb.ca>.

Lung Association, Manitoba:

The Lung Association, Manitoba was created in 1975 as a division of the Sanatorium Board of Manitoba to extend the services that were available to TB survivors to those with other breathing conditions and to promote lung health. This mission remains important to the maintenance of healthy breathing for all Manitobans, especially the one-in-five Manitobans living with a respiratory health issue. <https://mb.lung.ca/>

Research Institute in Oncology and Hematology:

The Research Institute in Oncology and Hematology (RIOH) is a joint venture of CancerCare Manitoba and the University of Manitoba. Research in cancer and blood disorders has been the mandate of CancerCare Manitoba since the inception of the Manitoba Institute of Cell Biology in 1930. In 2015, the scope of research was broadened to include all areas of clinical and basic science with the formation of the Research Institute in Oncology and Hematology (RIOH). RIOH forms the basis of a vision for a comprehensive approach to cancer in partnership with the CancerCare Manitoba Research Foundation. <https://www.cancercarefdn.mb.ca/>
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