

# Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine: Mid -Career Stimulus Grant Competition 2022 -2023

Proposals Due: October 21, 2022

The purpose of this competition is to provide **mid-career investigators** with a **stimulus** to enhance competitiveness for external research grant funding or develop novel lines of enquiry not currently funded. The primary intention of these stimulus grants is to support projects that have a longer term goal of either larger projects or programs of research that will be externally funded.

Eligibility: Full Time Tenured Associate or Full Professors within 7 years of being awarded tenure in the FRM are eligible to apply.

**Deadline:** Applications must be received by Victoria Latimer (victoria.lati mer@ualberta.ca) by 4:00 p.m. **October 21, 2022.** Applicants will be notified by email by November 7, 2022 about the outcome of the competition. Projects must start no later than December 1, 2022.

Guidelines and Conditions: These awards are not intended to provide continuing or supplementary support for ongoing, funded research projects. *Applications submitted concurrently with submissions to a primary Tri-Council program (CIHR Project; NSERC Discovery; SSHRC Insight or Insight Development) are encouraged* Projects should normally be completed by November 30, 2023. Any funds remaining in the account at the end of the approved project end date will be returned to the FRM.

**Up to two \$10,000 awards are available in this year's competition**. (Note that the amount awarded cannot exceed the amount requested in the budget, in keeping with TriCouncil policy. Applicants are encouraged to maximize their budget request.)

**Budget Allowances:** Applications should be for direct costs of research (e.g., equipment, materials, graduate assistance, other operating costs). Requests for travel to conferences will not be considered.

**Reporting:** Within 3 months of the project's close date, the primary applicant will submit a project report to the FRM, c/o the Vice Dean. The project report will include a 1-page summary, detailing how the funds were used to support the project and the outcomes of the *stimulus* (e.g. external grant submissions, publications, collaborations etc.). New funding from the FRM Internal Grants program is contingent upon receipt of a completed project report from the last FRM Internal Grant held by the applicant, if applicable.

**Ethics Approval Status:** For most projects, approval by a research ethics board will be required before funds will be released to the successful applicant(s). Please either attach approval to this application, or note that it will be forthcoming prior to release of funds.



## **Completed Application Components:**

- 1. Cover sheet with signature
- 2. Project Summary (Max 1 pg; NB: applicants may use the 1pg summary, letter of intent/notice of intent, or equivalent used for their Tri -council submission)
- 3. Rationale for applying to this competition how will this grant stimulate your *program* of research? (Max ½ pg)
- 4. Research design and methodology (Max ½ pg)
- 5. Budget and Justification explain and justify proposed expenditures (Max 1 pg)
- 6. Projected next steps explain how this grant will help foster external funding success (Max ½ pg)
- 7. Curriculum Vitae for all applicants
- 8. Note on Ethics Approval Status

**Adjudication Criteria:** Applications will be adjudicated by a subcommittee of the Research Committee. The following criteria and weights will be used:

# Research Approach (30%)

- Clarity of the research question
- Clarity of rationale for the research approach and methodology
- Appropriateness of the research design and methods
- Appropriate consideration of sex, gender, culture, race or other relevant factors that ensure inclusive and diverse research designs, data and outcomes

#### Impact of the Research (35%)

- Potential for a significant stimulus to the applicant's program of research
- Strong potential to enhance ability for the candidate to secure external funding
- External funding targets are appropriate and realistic

#### Applicant Track Record (30%)

- Scholarly contributions
- External funding in the form of grants

## Budget (5%)

• Is it reasonable, appropriate and well-justified?

\*(See below for Cover Sheet)\*



# **Cover Sheet**

Personal Information
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Primary Applicant's Name	
Department	
Phone	
Email	
Year Tenure Granted	
Grant Information	
Names(s) & Position(s) of Co-applicants(s)	
Title of Project:	
Start date (no later than Dec 1, 2022)	
Planned completion date (no later than Nov 30, 2023)	
Grant amount requested (maximum \$10,000):	
Signature	_
Date	