

# THE MINDEL AND TOM OLENICK RESEARCH AWARD IN IMMUNOLOGY

### APPLICATION GUIDELINES & TERMS

1. The Mindel and Tom Olenick Research Award in Immunology provides support to Graduate (M.Sc. or Ph.D.) Students or Post-Doctoral Fellows for projects in the field of Immunology, with preference to candidates chosen to receive Research Manitoba or CIHR funding.

In addition to the above, the priorities are to fund excellence in any area of Immunology research, with additional emphasis on research with humans or human tissues related to autoimmune diseases. To qualify as Immunology research, projects must explicitly lead to a career in that field. Proposals related to tumour biology and directly applied therapeutic research will be disqualified.

Eligible applicants must be affiliated with the University of Manitoba.

## Two (2) Awards will be awarded for the 2017 competition, each in the amount of \$5,000 (\$3,500 award, plus a \$1,500 travel stipend).

2. Applicants are asked to submit a common CV and the project specific components of their Research Manitoba or CIHR applications. Where possible, text for project specific summaries should be limited to three pages of text and three pages of figures (this excludes the set application form). The funding requested by Research Manitoba or CIHR should be explicitly stated. Applicants should note their contribution to specific research projects in their CVs. A copy of the Supervisor's CV should also be appended.

If applicants are re-applying for funding for the same project, a current version of the proposal to Research Manitoba or CIHR must be submitted.

- 3. Funding is provided for one year only (September 1 to August 31). Funds are disbursed once during this term, on the first business day in October.
- 4. All research to be undertaken at the Health Sciences Centre must have the written support of that institution's Director of Research or their designate.
- 5. Applicants are asked to include information regarding their career planning and long term goals (no more than one page).



- 6. Two reference letters are required as part of the application process. One letter must be from the applicant's supervisor.
- 7. Applications will be reviewed by the Health Sciences Centre Foundation's Olenick Award Committee who may request input from internal/external reviewers. The Committee will make recommendations to the HSCF Grants and Allocations Committee.
- 8. All applicants will be advised as to the outcome of their application by the end of the first week of July.
- 9. Applications shall be ranked based on scientific merit and the degree to which they meet the priorities noted in the above Guidelines. No award shall be made if it is determined that no application is of appropriate standard.
- 10. Previous recipients of the Award are welcome to reapply for the Award for an extension of their original project or for a new project. However, previous recipients will not be given priority. All applications will be ranked based on scientific merit. Previous recipients must indicate the progression of their work and career since their last Award, and must submit their current Research Manitoba or CIHR proposal.
- 11. Announcements of the Award will be widely advertised throughout the Health Sciences Centre, the University of Manitoba, and other appropriate institutions in Manitoba.

#### Terms of a Grant:

- 1. The Award will be administered by the Health Sciences Centre Foundation. Individuals paid from the Award are not employees or agents of the Health Sciences Centre Foundation.
- 2. Any commitment incurred by a recipient in excess of allocated Award funds is not the responsibility of the Health Sciences Centre Foundation.
- 3. Any publications arising out of the investigations supported by the Award should acknowledge the assistance of the Award.
- 4. The awardee is strongly encouraged to submit a letter of acknowledgement and thanks to Mrs. Mindel Olenick, which will be forwarded by the Foundation.



- 5. The Award is given in support of Immunology projects conducted at the specified institution. If the recipient transfers from one institution to another, or graduates during the term of the award, the Award terminates.
- 6. A final report on the project must be submitted to the Health Sciences Centre Foundation at the close of the grant year. The report should also summarize the findings in lay terms useful for public relations purposes.
- 7. All proposals must demonstrate strong scientific merit in Immunology.

### **Applications:**

Deadline for the receipt of applications is no later than 4:00 pm on Friday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Submissions received after this deadline will not be accepted.

One (1) electronic copy & one (1) hard copy of the application, entitled "Olenick Research Award Application: Your Surname" must be submitted to:

Health Sciences Centre Foundation PW112-700 William Ave Winnipeg, MB R3E 0Z3 Attention: Heather Gillis hgillis@hscfoundation.mb.ca

Phone: (204) 515-5617 Fax: (204) 813-0131

All the relevant components of the application should be consolidated into a single PDF for electronic submission (i.e. the submission must include all letters of reference and supporting documentation).