

2024 OPERATING GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES





Key Dates:

Application Deadline: October, 4th 2024 | 11:59 PM PST

Funding Amount: \$400,000 over two years

Grant General Inquiries: admin@clearalzheimers.ca
Expected Funding Announcement: Early December 2024

Expected Funding Availability: Early January 2025



CLEAR Foundation is a Canadian non-profit organization on a mission to eradicate Alzheimer disease and related dementias, by funding research towards a cure. CLEAR has funded or committed to fund over \$16 million of research and has leveraged that funding to \$25 million through its use of partnerships.

RESEARCH BACKGROUND:

The major challenge in AD/ADRD research relates to understanding the basic biology of the disease, using available and emerging patient-related modelling platforms. This approach would encompass both basic and translational research, and clinical studies to fully address the pathophysiology of AD, how it evolves, how to detect it, and eventually how to reengage the appropriate target as a therapeutic strategy. For example, instead of focusing on removing amyloid in AD, the focus of research can be discovering why amyloid is present in the first place and how it causes toxicity. Another example implicated by recent genetic studies is how do risk genes cause AD and whether (instead of if) there are subtypes of AD based on genetic risk? Can they be modelled and are there correlations with biomarker profiles?

ELIGIBILITY:

• Principle Investigators and Co Principle Investigators at the level of assistant professor or higher at an academic institution in British Columbia. Collaborators may be from other jurisdictions.

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS:

Submitted proposals are encouraged to fulfill the following criteria:

- Proposals should address a key aspect of AD/ADRD pathophysiology, with an emphasis on understanding mechanisms that lead to the principal pathologies.
- Proposals should be "translational" defined as closely related to the disease being modelled (human AD) and have a potential path towards either target discovery and/or drug development.
- Proposals may define disease subgroups through biomarker testing.
- Proposals should demonstrate collaboration and synergy with at least one other researcher.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION:

In a single, combined PDF document, include the following:

- Identify Principal Investigator(s) and Collaborators
- Enclose common academic CIHR CV
- Title of Proposal
- Abstract for Proposal (up to 200 words) & Lay Abstract of Proposal (up to 200 words)
- Outline of Proposal including Objectives, Methodology and Approach and how it conforms to Proposal Requirements including the collaboration and synergy (up to 5 pages, single spaced, with 2cm margins, including references and figures/tables, if required, and 12 pt font, no condensed fonts eg. Arial narrow)
- Detailed budget allocation and justification

CLEAR 2024 OPERATING GRANT APPLICATION FORM

ADMINISTRATION FORM

Principle Investigator Name:		
Proposed Project Title:		
Institution Name:		
Faculty & Department:		
Signature:	_ Date:	
Research Host Institution Information:		
Head of Department/Division:		
Signature:	Date:	
Director of Research at Institution:		
Signature:	_ Date:	
The application may be signed by digital/electronic signature and transmission.		
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