

**Terms of Reference  
CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant Program  
2018**

By way of a Funding Agreement initiated in 2015, Pfizer Canada, Inc. (“Pfizer”) entered into a commitment to research and development within the urology scientific community, as a collaborative effort with the Canadian Urological Association (CUA). A CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant Program was established to support investigator-sponsored urology resident research or care enhancement projects.

Notification Date:	CUA Annual Meeting
Submission of study update to the CUA Scholarship Foundation (CUASF):	12 months following receipt of the Grant

**Objectives and Scope:**

The objective of the CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant Program is to support peer-reviewed resident research or care enhancement projects that promote excellence in functional urology such as OAB, LUTS, pelvic floor disorders, voiding dysfunctions and neurogenic bladder. Studies in urologic oncology will not be considered. The ultimate goal of this award is to improve patient care or further understanding the biology of urologic diseases in functional urology. The CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant Program will recognize and highlight outstanding resident research/care enhancement projects.

Grants will be awarded to the successful applicant (or applicant’s institution on behalf of the applicant, if applicable). It is anticipated that 2 grants of \$10,000 will be provided over a 12- month performance period.

**Eligibility:**

The CUASF Scientific Council shall receive process and evaluate the submitted proposals. Proposals will be awarded grants based on the following:

**Eligible Applicants:**

- Must be a Candidate member of the CUA and current resident in a Canadian urology program sponsored by an active member of CUA.
- Agrees to execute an Investigator-Initiated Study or a Care Enhancement project.
- Agrees to provide a progress report, including publication/congress plan, to the CUA for dissemination of study results.

**Eligible Research Proposals:**

- The proposal may belong to one of the following categories:
  - Clinical, translational, or interventional studies
  - Basic research, genetic studies
  - Epidemiology, health outcomes, and quality of life studies
  - Care enhancement projects, where the primary focus is to understand the results of particular healthcare practices and interventions as well as monitor and improve the quality of care.
- The study or project must be completed within 12 months of receipt of funding; no renewals will be considered. The proposed application should include a 'standalone' project.
- The current Grant is not meant to complete funding for larger projects.

#### Non-eligible Proposals:

- Proposals for projects that have received funding from another source, including government or industry sponsors, will not be eligible to receive a CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant unless said funding is shown by the applicant to be directed to a portion of the overall project/research that is separate and distinguishable from the portion to which the proposal relates.
- Proposals outside of the scope of functional urology will not be eligible.
- For proposals involving pharmacologic treatments, studies aiming to evaluate the effects of a Pfizer competitor or the use of a generic drug will not be eligible (these proposals are best addressed to the appropriate pharmaceutical company).

#### Review Criteria:

The CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant proposals will be reviewed and approved by the CUASF Scientific Council. Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

#### Significance:

- Scientific merit (validity, integrity, originality)
- Contribution to advancement of scientific knowledge or patient care in relevant therapeutic field
- Clinical relevance or potential clinical value and applicability

#### Feasibility:

- Feasibility of project or study design, methodology and analysis
- Adequate power and sample size, if applicable
- Proposed timelines

#### Guidelines for Application Submission:

- Original, previously unpublished / project
- Application to be generated and submitted by a CUA Urology Resident and sponsored by an active member of the CUA
- The award is not intended to supplement a more major grant.
- A budget must be submitted
- Funds will be administered by the sponsor/supervisor.

All applications must include the following:

- Completed Online Application Form
- Proposal not exceeding five (5) single spaced pages, which includes references.
- Curriculum Vitae (Please submit a pdf version of your Common (CHIR) CV)
- Project budget
- Letter of support from the Department/Division Chair agreeing to conform to the Terms of Reference. The letter should indicate the level of support and commitment by the university/institution for the candidate.
- For research proposals, a detailed plan to apply for appropriate Ethics Committee approval and Regulatory approval (Clinical Trial Application in cases of non-marketed drugs or marketed drugs where the proposed use is outside the parameters of the Notice of Compliance) must be included along with the consent forms where human subjects are involved in the research project considered.

The following are suggestions for preparation of the proposal. The headings suggested include 1) Statement of Objective(s), 2) Brief review of literature and background information, 3) Hypothesis(es) in case or research proposals, 4) Design and Methodology, 5) Analysis of Data, 6) Anticipated Timeline, 7) Impact, and 8) Budget.

The completed application must be submitted online through the CUASF website, ([www.cuasf.org](http://www.cuasf.org)) no later than **April 3, 2018**. Late documentation received after the closing date will be returned to the applicant. Incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant.

### **Conditions of the CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant Program**

Grant recipients are expected to present their findings at the CUA annual meeting as well as other scientific meetings and to submit their work for publication in peer-reviewed journals. All publications that result from a project supported by the CUA-Pfizer Resident Grant should carry the following acknowledgement:

“This research/Project was supported by the CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant Program funded by Pfizer Canada, Inc. and the Canadian Urological

Association.”

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