



## The Urologic Research Foundation of Canada

*Supporting urologic research since 1973*

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# CUASF Grant Recipients

## CUASF Grant Winners

John Trachtenberg	1980
Hormisdas George Kiruluta	1981
James William Lennox Wilson	1983
Yves Fradet	1983
Richard W. Norman	1984
Curtis Nickel	1985
Laurence Klotz	1985
Joseph L. Chin	1986
Mark L. Jordan	1987
J.P.W. Heaton	1987
Jerzy B. Gajewski	1987
Joseph Lawen	1989
François R. Bénard	1989
Michael Leonard	1990
Antoine E. Khoury	1990
Ronald T. Kodama	1990
John D. Denstedt	1990
Anne-Marie Houle	1991
Fred Saad	1992
Martin Gleave	1992
Armen G. Aprikian	1993
Mireille Grégoire	1993
Keith Jarvi	1993
Andrew E. MacNeily	1993
Serge Carrier	1994
Hassan Razvi	1995
John Mahoney	1995
Simon Tanguay	1995
Armand Zini	1996
Darius Jehan Bağli	1996
Louis Lacombe	1996
Stanley Flax	1996
Lynn Stothers	1996
Ronald B. Moore	1996
Rob Stuart	1997
William Gourlay	1997

Denise Arsenault	1997
Neil Fleshner	1997
Timothy Wollin	1998
Paul Merguerian	1998
Victor Mak	1999
John Tsihlias	1999
Paul Perrotte	1999
Diego Barrieras	2000
Rob Siemens	2000
Anil Kapoor	2000
Patrick Luke	2000
Roman Jednak	2001
J.P. Capolicchio	2001
Jonathan Izawa	2001
Emmanuel Abara	2001
Peter Chan	2002
Stéphane Bolduc	2002
Stephen Pautler	2002
Robert Nam	2002
Walid Farhat	2003
Ken Pace	2003
Pierre I. Karakiewicz	2003
Ryan Paterson	2003
Dawn MacLellan	2004
Kourosh Afshar	2004
Darren Beiko	2004
Edward Matsumoto	2004
Darrel Drachenberg	2004
Kirk Lo	2004
Luis Henrique Perocco Braga	2005
Alan So	2005
Antonio Finelli	2005
Ben Chew	2006
Christopher Nguan	2006
Wassim Kassouf	2006
Jun Kawakami	2006
Armando Lorenzo	2006
S. Heshmat	2006

Jehonathan Pinthus	2006
Assad El-Hakim	2007
Jean-Baptiste Lattouf	2007
Anthony Bella	2007
Darcie Kiddoo	2007
Peter Black	2008
Ethan Grober	2008
Robert Sabbagh	2008
Kenneth Poon	2008
Alp Sener	2009
Yves Caumartin	2009
Vincent Fradet	2010
Frederic Pouliot	2010
Sero Andonian	2011
Rodney Henry Breau	2011
Naji Touma	2011
Blayne Welk	2011
Jennie Mickelson	2011
Eric Hyndman	2012
Girish Kulkarni	2012
Nick Power	2012
Frank Papanikolaou	2012
Lysanne Campeau	2013
Geoffrey T. Gotto	2013
Robert J. Hamilton	2013
Andrew H. Feifer	2013
Duane R. Hickling	2014
Melissa Keays	2014
Jason Y. Lee	2014
Paul Toren	2014
Alan So	2015
Paul Toren	2015
Michael Ordon	2016
Patrick Richard	2016
Raj Satkunasivam	2016
Naeem Bhojani	2016

## CUASF Early Investigator Research Scholarship Winners

Alex Kavanagh	2017
Nathan Perlis	2017
Luke Lavallée	2017
Philippe Violette	2017
Alex Kavanagh	2018
Ryan Flannigan	2018
Peter Zhan Tao Wang	2018
Patrick Richard	2018
Jennifer Bjazevic	2019
Ryan Flannigan	2019
Nathan Perlis	2019
Henry Tran	2019
Bimal Bhindi	2020
David Harriman	2020
Yonah Krakowsky	2020
Henry Tran (Renewal)	2020
Adam Kinnaird	2021
Jeffrey Campbell	2021
Christopher Doiron	2021
Andrea Kokorovic	2021
Christopher Wallis	2022
Soojin Kim	2022
Melissa Huynh	2022
Connor Forbes	2023
Daniel Keefe	2023
Miles Mannas	2023
Monica Farcas	2023

# ABOUT

The CUASF is a registered charity that raises and manages funds for the purpose of medical research in urology and for the encouragement of higher urologic standards and qualifications in Canada.

The CUASF is a scholarship fund that was established by the Canadian Urological Association (CUA) and its members, and it has a long and successful history.

Since 1973, the CUASF has awarded more than 100 prestigious scholarships and grants and has helped foster the research careers of hundreds of young urologic investigators.

Thanks to the invested volunteer efforts of past and present CUASF administrative and scientific chairs, the CUASF has grown into a vibrant granting agency that is unique to Canada.



## VISION

To ensure a sustainable thriving urologic research community in Canada



## MISSION

To foster the growth of Canadian research

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## Growing the portfolio to secure the future of urologic research in Canada!

One of the main strategic objectives of the CUASF is to become a self-sustaining granting organization and preserve its capital for future funding.

The CUASF is a registered charity and must spend a minimum amount of its assets towards its main activities, specifically, funding urologic research in Canada.

In 2023, the federal government passed a new legislation that now governs all charitable organizations, in that, the minimum annual donations must equal 5% of total assets for all charities with more than \$1 million in assets. More information can be found at <https://www.canadagives.ca/an-update-on-the-cras-annual-disbursement-quota-rule-changes>.

Every year, the CUA finance committee, along with the CUASF administrative council chair, prepare various funding scenarios based on inflation and interest rates. With our investment advisor, Mr. Derek Henderson, suggestions in terms of how much capital needs to be preserved are presented for board approval.

Various criteria, such as industry funding shortages or outright stoppages, potential interruptions or lower to no transfer surplus from CUA to CUASF, along with the economic factors presented above, are all taken into consideration and discussed against the CUASF investment policy.

Semiannually, decisions are made in terms of how much capital is necessary to self-sustain and fund CUASF, and preserve a % of assets to ensure the future of urologic research remains safe.

# Our Grants

## CUASF-Early to Mid-Investigator Research Scholarship

**\$50,000 per grant, max 4 grants per year**

*Deadline: March 2024*

Provides financial support for urologic research to be conducted in Canada.

Supports a faculty member at an approved medical school in Canada within six years of the initial academic appointment.

## CUASF-Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (EDIA)

**\$5,000 per grant/2 grants per year**

*Deadline: January 2024*

Supports peer-reviewed research that promotes excellence and expands knowledge related to equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility in Canada.



## CUASF-Bladder Cancer Canada Research Grant

**\$300,000 per year**

*Deadline: TBD*

Supports scientific discovery and innovation in bladder cancer.

Promotes excellence in bladder cancer research to improve patient care and understanding of the biology of bladder cancer in Canada.

## CUASF-CMSHC Research Grant

**\$50,000 per year/1 grant**

*Deadline: March 2024*

Supports scientific discovery and innovation in andrology in Canada.

Research areas include:

- Male factor infertility
- Erectile dysfunction
- Ejaculatory dysfunction
- Peyronie's disease
- Hormone replacement therapy



## CUASF-SIU International Scholarship Program

**\$10,000 per grant/2 per year**

*Deadline: April 2024*

Fosters the improvement of urologic care in developing countries.

Educates international urologists or international urologic fellow trainees planning to return to their home country.



## The Anil Kapoor Kidney Cancer Research Grant

**\$100,000 per year, 1 grant max**

*Deadline: November 2023*

Supports peer-reviewed research that promotes excellence in kidney cancer research to improve patient care in Canada.



## CUASF-PROCURE Prostate Cancer Research Grant

**\$75,000 per grant, max 2 grants**

*Deadline: March 31, 2024*

PROCURE is an organization dedicated to improving the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of urological diseases, including prostate cancer. The grant aims to fund innovative research projects that will pave the way for new advances in understanding and treating prostate cancer in Canada.



# Canadian Urological Association Scholarship Foundation

## CUASF - BLADDER CANCER CANADA RESEARCH GRANT - \$50,000 X 6 PER YEAR



**STEPHANE BOLDUC**  
Bisphenol-induced stromal compartment modifications in bladder cancer using a 3D tissue-engineered model



**CHARLES GRAHAM**  
Immune reprogramming and response to BCG therapy in patients with bladder cancer



**INDRA GUPTA**  
The Role of Osr1 in Bladder Cancer



**WASSIM KASSOUF**  
Investigate the role of natural killer cells on the outcome of radiation therapy in muscle invasive bladder cancer



**MADHURI KOTI**  
An integrated immune monitoring approach for sex associated B cell exhaustion in BCG unresponsive NMIBC



**DIRK LANGE**  
The Urinary Microbiota as a Modulator of BCG-Induced Immunotherapy

## CUASF - SIU INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - \$10,000 X 2 PER YEAR



 **BRAZIL**  
**CAIO SUARTZ**  
Canadian Centre: L'Hôtel-Dieu de Québec - Faculty of Medicine at Laval University



 **MEXICO**  
**MARIO BASULTO-MARTÍNEZ**  
Canadian Centre: Western University London, Ontario

## THE ANIL KAPOOR KIDNEY CANCER RESEARCH GRANT - \$100,000 PER YEAR



**Deadline - November 30, 2023**



## CUASF - CANADIAN MEN'S SEXUAL HEALTH COUNCIL (CMSHC) - \$50,000 X 1 PER YEAR



**MONICA FARCAS**  
Penile Photoacoustic Ultrasound for the Evaluation of Peyronie's Disease and Prediction of Treatment Outcomes

## CUASF - EARLY TO MID-INVESTIGATOR RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP - \$50,000 X 4 PER YEAR



**MONICA FARCAS**  
Flow-Through uroflow for the assessment and management of lower urinary tract symptoms



**CONNOR FORBES**  
Glucocorticoid-induced pathways in Benign Prostate Hyperplasia



**DANIEL KEEFE**  
Education and awareness of testicular torsion in Canadian pediatric patients and guardians and the impact on outcomes



**MILES MANNAS**  
Stimulated Raman Histology to Improve Acquisition of Fresh Prostate Biopsies for Spatial Transcriptomics. During Neoadjuvant Treatment of Men with High-Risk Localized Prostate Cancer

## CUASF - EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSION AND ACCESSIBILITY (EDIA) RESEARCH GRANT - \$5,000 X 2 PER YEAR



**DAVID-DAN NGUYEN**  
Tackling Disparities in Urology Resident Recruitment in Canada: Characterizing, evaluating, and innovating the CaRMS urology match to promote equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility



**JESSE ORY**  
Fertility preservation access in Nova Scotia amongst transgender /nonbinary individuals



# Contribute to the advancement of Canadian urological research – DONATE TODAY!

The CUASF research grants are making a difference in patient care, and you can help by donating to the foundation. Your donations will directly support the future funding of urologic researchers and contribute to better patient care and quality of life.

The CUASF is set up to receive online donations, and any size contribution will make an impact. All donations over \$25 CAD will be eligible for a tax receipt.

Member donations: All CUA members who donate to the CUASF will be recognized as follows (upon consent):

- Mentioned in the donor section of the CUA newsletters (fall and spring)
- Mentioned in Member Monday emails
- Posted for a year on the CUASF website
- Promoted on social media

CUASF Donation Levels:		
	<b>CUASF Diamond Donors</b>	\$50,000 and above
	<b>CUASF Ruby Donors</b> Ronald Reuben Family Foundation	From \$25,000 to \$50,000
	<b>CUASF Emerald Donors</b>	From \$10,000 to \$25,000
	<b>CUASF Sapphire Donors</b> Marc-André Allard Aneel Bhatia Sumit Dave Marie Vanhuysse	Up to \$10,000

Thank you to our advocacy partners and grant-matching partners:



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