



TERMS OF REFERENCE 2025-2026

CUASF-PROCURE Prostate Cancer Research Grant

Background

CANADA – PROCURE a leader in the fight against prostate cancer, is proud to announce a research grant in partnership with the Canadian Urological Association Scholarship Foundation (CUASF), an organization dedicated to improving the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of urological diseases, including prostate cancer. This collaboration reinforces our shared commitment to advancing research and care in urology.

APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS

Applications must be submitted by 5:00 pm ET on April 1, 2026.

The completed application form plus supporting documents must be submitted electronically to marfisa.defrancesco@cua.org . **Please make sure you receive a confirmation email that the application has been received.**

If you have any questions or require support preparing or submitting your application, please email marfisa.defrancesco@cua.org

Required Supporting Documentation

- Research Proposal not exceeding five (5) single spaced, typewritten pages in standard 12 font, including figures, tables, budget and references (1" margins).
- Curriculum Vitae (Please submit a pdf version of your Common (CHIR) CV)

Objectives and Scope

Prostate cancer remains one of the leading threats to men's health worldwide, and it is imperative that we intensify our efforts to understand, prevent, and treat this devastating disease. This research grant represents a significant commitment to this vital goal. The grant aims to fund innovative research projects that will

pave the way for new advances in understanding and treating prostate cancer. We encourage researchers across Canada to explore various areas, from basic science, translational, to clinical outcomes research, with the goal of providing tangible solutions for patients and their families.

Award Overview

One prize will be awarded for a total of \$100,000 (PROCURE \$50,000; CUASF \$50,000 match)

Non-Eligible Expenses

- Remuneration of Main Applicant, Co-Applicants or Collaborators.
- All indirect expenditures related to layout organization and reorganization, facilities leasing and maintenance, or the indirect costs covered by the host institution.
- Purchasing equipment
- Sabbatical or maternity/parental leave.
- Meeting, seminar, or conference expenses.
- Living expenses.

Eligibility Requirements

- MUST be a CUA Member: Active (Urologist/Uro-Oncologist) or Associate (GU Medical Oncologist / GU Radiation Oncologist)
- Although the use of biospecimens is not mandatory to apply for the grant, projects using the PROCURE Biobank biospecimens will be favored. The PROCURE Biobank contains specimens from 2,000 men collected over a ten-year period. One submission per applicant will be accepted.
- Award funds are solely intended for research conducted in Canada.
- Applicants must reside in Canada.
- The award and funds are intended for original research conducted by the applicant (Active or Associate CUA member) and should not supplement funding for an ongoing project.
- A research status report will be requested and should be submitted 6 months after the ensuing year(s) that the project is running.
- In addition to a 6-month research status report, recipients are requested to provide a summary of their research results suitable for public communication purposes after 12 months, and a copy or link to any resulting publication or presentation.

Review Process

The CUASF-PROCURE Prostate Cancer Research Grant proposals will be reviewed and approved by the CUASF-PROCURE Prostate Cancer Review Panel. The Review Panel will consist of those individuals chosen/recommended by PROCURE and by the recommendation from the Chair of the CUASF Scientific Council.

Inquiries

Canadian Urological Association Scholarship Foundation

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