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September 2008

Upcoming deadlines

HSFO

- **NEW** – Doctoral and Post-Doctoral Health Services/Population Health Personnel Award applications – **November 28th at 4:00 p.m.**
- Program Grant applications – **January 16th at 4:00 p.m.**
<http://www.hsf.ca/research/en/provincial-programs/ontario.html>
(documents available in a few days)

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- Doctoral Research Award and Research Fellowship Award applications – **October 31st at 4:00 p.m.**
<http://www.hsf.ca/research/en/general/home.html>
- Focus on Stroke VIII competition: doctoral students or post doctoral fellows – **October 31st at 4:00 p.m.**
<http://www.hsf.ca/research/en/strategic-funding-opportunities/focus-on-stroke-8.html>

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Foundation goes for low-down on top cardio/cerebrovascular disease issues

"If you had limitless research resources at your disposal, what's THE most important CCVD problem you'd tackle, knowing it would take us furthest in the next 5-10 years in the bid to eradicating heart disease and stroke?"

If an answer immediately sprang to mind, or you at least found this question intriguing, the Foundation has a unique opportunity for you.

At next month's Canadian Cardiovascular Congress in Toronto, HSFO will be filming researcher perspectives on this question for use in various upcoming communication vehicles as a means of building interest and excitement in our mission amongst our various stakeholders.

Congress takes place October 25-29 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Drop by the Heart and Stroke Foundation's interactive kiosk in the exhibitor area to have your say. For more information in advance, contact Joanne Cullen, jcullen@hsf.on.ca.

No doubt the points of view shared – whether they're 10 second, 30 second or 3 minute clips - will be diverse and compelling. We hope one of them will be yours!



Webinar now online for 'later pillar' researchers

There's a new tool on the Foundation's research website aimed at helping junior investigators involved in health services and/or population health research (Pillars 3 and 4) enhance the success of their applications in the peer review process.

Several established investigators provided input during the content development phase of this 'webinar' project. It's the Foundation's hope that the ideas shared will help researchers prepare applications that will be rated scientifically at levels deemed fundable by organizations such as HSFO.

The webinar is less than 10 minutes long and is available at <http://www.hsf.ca/research/en/general/home.html>. Popcorn not included.

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Clinical Update 2008 approaches

The Foundation hosts its 39th Clinical Update conference December 11-13 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

This year's event brings an engaging lineup of accredited presentations and workshops on current research and emerging issues in heart disease and stroke.

Participants will receive Maintenance of Certification (MOC) credits recognized by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and MAINPRO® credits from the Ontario College of Family Physicians.

For information, call 1-888-302-2644, or visit www.heartandstroke.ca/conference (website will be live later this month).

'Vino della Vita' returns

Experience the best of Italy at our 3rd annual wine-tasting gala!

Sample from more than 100 exclusive Italian wines, delight in live entertainment and savour authentic Italian cuisine as you circle the elegant Roy Thomson Hall rotunda. Save \$25 when you buy your VINO della Vita tickets before October 3rd! Buy tickets online at

www.heartandstroke.ca/vinodellavita

Scientists honoured

In July, Dr. Vladimir Hachinski was named a Member of the Order of Canada by the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean, Governor General of Canada, for his contributions to the field of neurology.

Dr. Hachinski, Professor of Neurology at the University of Western Ontario, has received numerous grants from HSFO over the years, and formerly held the Foundation's Career Investigator Award.

In August, the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) awarded its highest honour, the Gold Medal, to Dr. Salim Yusuf for his outstanding contribution to the development of cardiology. He is the first Canadian to receive the award.

Dr. Yusuf is Vice-President of Research at Hamilton Health Sciences. He currently holds the HSFO Chair in Cardiovascular Disease at McMaster University.

Did you know...?

- The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario's overall investment in research this year was close to \$50 million... a new record!

Heartfelt thanks!

We have just closed the books on another fiscal year and would like to express our gratitude to all of the researchers who have supported our grant peer and budget review processes this year.

Specifically, thanks to the following 2008 review committees:

- Grant Allocation Committee
- Clinician Scientist Committee
- Masters Studentship Committee
- Program Grant Committee
- Pilot Project Grant Committees
- Population Health Research Chair Committee

We couldn't do it without you!



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