**Research Funding News**

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*These are international funders, for details regarding eligibility criteria and possible login requirements please contact the RDA team

**Note**: Some of these opportunities are listed through the GETS (Government Electronic Tender System) which requires a login to access. Contact Jo Stone to obtain access.

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**Research News –Updates**

**MSI Postgraduate internships are coming back!**

Seventy internships are available for businesses to employ postgraduate students with science, technology, engineering, commercialisation, design or marketing degrees and who are entering the workforce following completion of their degree. Based upon a maximum annual salary of $60,000, MSI will provide companies with $30,000 (plus GST) to cover the salary of the postgraduate for the first six months.

The MSI Portal is open for applications from companies and will close midday on Monday 7 May. For more information, please visit the MSI [website](#).

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**2012 Medals and Awards Administered by the Royal Society of New Zealand**

The following suite of medals and awards is being offered in 2012 by the Royal Society of New Zealand:

- **Callaghan Medal** - for outstanding contribution to science communication, in particular raising public awareness of the value of science to human progress

- **Cooper Medal** - for the best single account of original research in physics or engineering

- **Dame Joan Metge Medal** - recognising excellent contribution to capacity building, beneficial relationships with research participants, mentoring of new researchers as well as contributions to new knowledge
Hamilton Memorial Prize - for beginners in scientific or technological research

Hatherton Award - for the best scientific paper by a PhD student at any New Zealand University in physical sciences, earth sciences and mathematical and information sciences

Hector Medal - Chemical sciences

Humanities Aronui Medal - for research or innovative work of outstanding merit in the Humanities

Hutton Medal - Earth sciences

Jones Medal - for lifetime achievement in the mathematical sciences

MacDiarmid Medal - for outstanding scientific research that demonstrates the potential for application to human benefit

Pickering Medal - to recognise excellence and innovation in the practical applications of technology

Pou Aronui Award - for distinguished service to the humanities-aronui

Rutherford Medal - for exceptional contributions to New Zealand society and culture through activities in the broad fields of science, mathematics, social science, and technology

Sir Charles Hercus Medal - Molecular and cellular sciences and technologies

Thomson Medal - for outstanding and inspirational leadership in the management of science leading to the development and application of science and/or technology to wealth generation

The closing date for nominations for all of the above is 30th June, 2012.

Workshops

Fulbright New Zealand Outreach Tour 2012 – Wellington Campus
Your chance to find out about Fulbright exchange awards to the United States of America

Fulbright New Zealand’s educational advising team are visiting Massey University’s Wellington campus as part of their annual Outreach Tour to inform academic staff about opportunities to study, research, teach or present their work in the United States of America. Come along to hear unbiased, current and comprehensive information about higher education in the US and an introduction to the Fulbright programme’s range of exchange awards to help you get there. See RMS Newsletter dated 14.03.2012 for award details.

Massey University Wellington Campus
Time: 11:00 am - Midday,
Date: Tuesday 24th April, 2012
Venue: Room 7C15
Please register by emailing Jo Stone, if you wish to attend this workshop.

Seminar: Introduction to Research & Enterprise
Dates and Locations:
- 20th April - Manawatu
- 2nd May - Wellington

The Office of the AVC Research & Enterprise works to support researchers, administrators, and heads of units to achieve the Road to 2020 Research and Scholarship goals. You are invited to attend a seminar that will offer an in-depth understanding of the support available for your research from Research
Management Services and the Research Ethics team, and an overview of Massey University’s requirements regarding all research funding. If you are relatively new to Massey, or have never quite sussed what it is we do, or would like to know how to take your research efforts to the next level, we encourage you to come along and be amazed.

Seminar Facilitators: This will be presented by Professor Brigid Heywood in Wellington, and in Palmerston North by Mark Cleaver and Emma Hughes.

Learning Outcomes:
The seminar will provide participants with:

A. An overview of the role of the Office of the AVC Research & Enterprise in delivering the research and scholarships objectives within the framework of the University’s Road to 2020 Strategy.

B. An overview of the support available from Team Research to assist you to:
   - Access external research funding
   - Manage your research project using RIMS
   - Understand Massey’s contracting requirements
   - Document your research outputs
   - Assess the commercial potential of your ideas
   - Understand Massey’s ethics processes
   - Access Doctoral and scholarship support.

To register for this event, please click on the link below:

Funding Opportunity Deadlines

Community-Based Primary Healthcare Research – 1st May, 2012
A joint initiative between the HRC and the Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR) has been established to support community-based primary healthcare by funding New Zealand and Canada-based teams undertaking programmatic, cross-jurisdictional and interdisciplinary research to develop, implement, evaluate, and compare innovative models in the following research priority areas:
   - Chronic Disease Prevention and Management in Community-Based Primary Healthcare
   - Access to Appropriate Community-Based Primary Healthcare for Vulnerable Populations

The HRC funding support for this initiative is provided through the HRC's Partnership Programme. The total budget for the New Zealand component of this initiative is NZD$1.2 million (fully costed, exclusive of GST). The CIHR budget for the Canadian component is CAD$2.5 million. The funding term for this initiative is 5 years. Only one New Zealand/Canada collaboration will be funded.

Registration of Intent
The HRC has released its Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Community-based primary healthcare partnership with CIHR.

Please note that the New Zealand process for this initiative will only involve a one-stage process (i.e. no Expression of Interest stage). New Zealand applicants will first be required to complete a Registration of Intent (ROI). The ROI stage is now open. The guidelines for submitting a ROI are available under ‘Forms and Guidelines’.

The first part of the CIHR process is a Letter of Intent (LOI) stage. This part of the CIHR process is applicable to New Zealand applicants as a New Zealand First Named Investigator is required to register with the CIHR to obtain a Personal Identification Number, which is a requisite part of the CIHR LOI submission.
Only those New Zealand applicants whose partnering Canadian team is successful at the CIHR LOI stage will be able to submit a full application to the RFP. Results of the CIHR LOI stage will be announced in July 2012.

**Sponsor:** Health Research Council of New Zealand.
RDA contact: [Emma Hughes](mailto:Emma Hughes) extn 81344

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**Research Grant Program – 11th May, 2012**

Based on the theme of "Exploring Knowledge to Build a Better Future", the programme provides support to researches uncovering new relations between people, nature, and culture, and aspires to an enriched society in which people sustain each other. In particular, the programme targets research projects with important social significance that adopt a pioneering stance based on flexible ideas that are not limited by existing frameworks.

The grant frameworks are:

**Category A: Joint Research**
1. Research that aims at creating new social value
2. Practical research that contributes to addressing social issue

**Category B: Individual Research**

This project framework is aimed at promising researchers, particularly young researchers or those who do not belong to universities or formal research institutions. The foundations targets projects from any field or topic provided that the researcher has adopted an innovative perspective and approach, and that the project can contribute positively to the researcher's own future.

The total amount of grants will be ¥100 Million.

The amount per grant varies as follows:
- Category A: Joint Research - up to 10 million yen per project (total of approx. 40 million yen per 1. and 2.)
- Category B: Individual Research - up to two million yen per project (total of approx. 20 million yen).

For one-year projects, the upper limit for grant funding is ¥5 Million for Category A, and ¥1 Million for Category B.

Grant coverage will begin on November 1, 2012, and run for one year or two years.

**Sponsor:** Toyota Foundation – Japan Research Grant Program
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**Fellowships and Scholarships – 29th May, 2012**

Two Fellowships are available in 2012. These are:

- **The Douglas Senior Fellowship in Heart Health (Prevention)**
  To support New Zealand graduates who have trained as cardiologists or scientists working in the field of cardiovascular research. This Senior Fellowship will be awarded in the area of preventive heart health research to work in association with the newly established Chair in Heart Health, in the University of Auckland. The Fellowship is tenable for 3 years.

  Candidates must possess an appropriate postgraduate degree or diploma and may undertake work for a higher degree such as a PhD or MD. The Fellowship must be taken up within 12 months of the award. The Foundation may provide an initial Grant-in-Aid of up to $1,500 to enable research work to commence. In subsequent years, Senior Fellows may apply for working expenses not exceeding $1,000 annually with no single item to exceed $500.

- **A Clinical Cardiology Fellowship in Inherited Heart Disease**
  An opportunity for trainees in either cardiology or paediatric cardiology to specialise in all aspects of inherited heart disease investigation and management. Based in Auckland City, Starship and Greenlane hospitals, there will be clinical supervision from adult and paediatric cardiology as well as
clinical and molecular genetics. Specific exposure will be given to cardiac genetic clinics and the investigation of sudden unexpected death in the young. Research in this area will be actively encouraged and supported with appropriate time allocation for this. Continued exposure and training in other relevant cardiology areas will be arranged according to the trainee’s preference (e.g., arrhythmia, imaging). This Fellowship will be tenable for 2 years.

Senior clinical supervisor will be Associate Professor Jonathan Skinner. Secondary supervisor will depend on desired subspecialty area in cardiology or pediatric cardiology.

Limited Budget Grants

- **Small Project Grants**
  Applications are particularly encouraged in areas that align with National Heart Foundation strategic priority objectives.
  Each research proposal will be assessed on:
  - Importance to the Heart Foundation
  - Scientific merit
  - Design and methods
  - Project achievability, expertise & track record of research team.

- **Grants-in-Aid**
  Applications are particularly encouraged in areas that align with National Heart Foundation strategic priority objectives.
  Each research proposal will be assessed on:
  - Importance to the Heart Foundation
  - Scientific merit
  - Design and methods
  - Project achievability, expertise & track record of research team.

- **Travel Grants**
  Travel grants are evaluated on whether:
  - data being presented is based on a Heart Foundation grant
  - the conference and travel is clearly relevant to the applicant’s research or professional duties
  - abstract(s) and/or poster accepted for presentation
  - data presented is close to NHF goals

NB: Retrospective funding of travel will not be considered.

**Sponsor: Heart Foundation**
RDA contact: Emma Hughes extn 81344

James Cook Research Fellowships – 22nd June 2012
The James Cook Research Fellowships are administered by the Royal Society of New Zealand on behalf of the Government. They are awarded to researchers who are recognised leaders in their respective fields, have the requisite qualifications and experience, and are able to demonstrate that they have achieved national and international recognition in their area of scientific or technological research.

Applications are now being sought in each of the following research categories:
- Biological sciences (including biotechnology)
- Physical sciences (including chemical sciences; geosciences, mathematical and information sciences)
- Social sciences (including research of relevance to peoples of New Zealand and/or the South-west Pacific)

The primary intention for the award of Fellowships is the recognition of sustained excellence in research. The normal term of a Fellowship is two years and the stipend offered for those awarded in this round will be $100,000 plus GST per year. Reimbursement of relevant expenses to a maximum of $10,000 plus GST annually will also be offered. Those appointed will be required to take up their Fellowships by 1 April 2013.

**Sponsor: Royal Society of New Zealand**
RMS contact: Linda Samuelsson ext 81356
Annual Grant Competition – 24th September, 2012

The programme increases the breadth and depth of the Institute's work by supporting peace-building projects managed by non-profit organisations including educational institutions, research institutions, and civil society organisations.

The annual competition (1) supports innovative peace-building projects involving research, the identification of promising models and effective practices, the development of practitioner resources and tools, the development and delivery of education, training and dialogue programmes, and the production of films, radio programmes, and other media; and (2) funds projects focused on preventing, managing, and resolving violent conflict and promoting post-conflict peace-building in settings outside the borders of the USA. Awards support activities that apply across a broad range of relevant disciplines, skills, and approaches. USIP welcomes proposals of an interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary nature.

Topic areas of interest to USIP include, but are not limited to:

- conflict analysis and prevention;
- mediation and conflict resolution;
- post-conflict peace and stability operations;
- religion and peace-making;
- women and girls in conflict and peace-building;
- rule of law and transitional justice;
- economies and conflict;
- social, psychological, and physical impacts of war and conflict; and
- media and conflict.

USIP does not take positions on policy issues pending before international bodies, and does not fund "Track 1" (official) mediation of international disputes. USIP will not fund grant proposals of a partisan political nature or proposals that would inject the grantee or USIP into the policy processes of the United States government or any foreign government or international organisation. Projects that lead to policy recommendations for governments, international organisations, or nongovernmental organisations are encouraged.

**Sponsor United States Institute of Peace**

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