

Emerging Research Leaders Initiative Competition Results: 2017/2018

The Heart & Stroke Foundation is pleased to announce the third round of cardiovascular and cerebrovascular disease (CCVD) research ERLI grantees. The funding for this initiative has been made possible through partnerships with the following organizations:

Canadian Stroke Prevention Intervention Network
Cardiac Arrhythmia Network of Canada
Canadian National Transplant Research Program
Canadian Venous Thromboembolism Clinical Trials and Outcomes Research Network
New Brunswick Health Research Foundation
Pfizer Canada
Fonds de recherche du Québec - Santé
Canadian Cardiovascular Society
Canadian Institutes of Health Research

The Emerging Research Leaders Initiative (ERLI) is an establishment grant program for researchers at the transition stage from post-doctoral fellow to early professional career stage in the areas of cardiovascular and/or cerebrovascular research.

This initiative aims to support successful early career launch of new investigators. Through this initiative, partners will provide establishment grant funds that will create a set of conditions conducive to the successful career launch of emerging research leaders in the cardiovascular, and/or cerebrovascular health research domains.

The successful awards are listed below:

Chruscinski, Andrzej (Multi-Organ Transplantation, University Health Network)

Immune markers and tolerance in transplantation

Mentor: Levy, Gary

Co-Mentor: Zhang, Li

Network Affiliation: Canadian National Transplant Research Program

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Fine, Nowell (Department of Cardiac Sciences, University of Calgary)

Risk estimation following infarction non-invasive evaluation-implantable cardioverter-defibrillator (REFINE-ICD) imaging sub-study

Mentor: Exner, Derek V.

Co-Mentor: White, James A.

Network Affiliation: Cardiac Arrhythmia Network of Canada

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Hawkins, Nathaniel M. (Department of Medicine, University of British Columbia)
Contemporary treatment and outcomes of atrial fibrillation

Mentor: Cairns, John A.

Co-Mentor: Humphries, Karin

Network Affiliation: Cardiac Arrhythmia Network of Canada

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Reed, Jennifer L. (Division of Prevention and Rehabilitation, University of Ottawa Heart Institute)

Exercise training in patients with atrial fibrillations

Mentor: Birnie, David H.

Co-Mentor: Pipe, Andrew

Network Affiliation: Cardiac Arrhythmia Network of Canada

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Rotstein, Benjamin H. (Department of biochemistry, University of Ottawa Heart Institute)

Validation of a fluorine-18 radiotracer for imaging sympathetic denervation in cardiac arrhythmias

Mentor: Liu, Peter P.

Co-Mentor: deKemp, Robert

Network Affiliation: Cardiac Arrhythmia Network of Canada

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Shoamanesh, Ashkan (Department of Medicine, McMaster University)

New anticoagulants for stroke prevention in patients with atrial fibrillation and prior intracerebral hemorrhage (NASPAF-ICH)

Mentor: Hart, Robert

Co-Mentor: Sharma, Mukul

Network Affiliation: Canadian Stroke Prevention Intervention Network

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Siegal, Deborah M. (Department of Medicine, McMaster University)

Improving cardiovascular outcomes through safe resumption of anticoagulants after anticoagulant-related bleeding

Mentor: Crowther, Mark A.

Co-Mentor: Connolly, Stuart J.

Network Affiliation: Canadian Venous Thromboembolism Clinical Trials and Outcomes Research Network

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