



ANNOUNCEMENT

CanHepC - TRR179 Internship Exchange Program

The [Canadian Network on Hepatitis C](#) (CanHepC) and the [TRR179](#) (collaborative research center “Determinants and dynamics of elimination versus persistence of hepatitis viruses”) are two research networks in Canada and Germany, respectively dedicated to hepatitis virus research.

CanHepC is a collaborative research network funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) dedicated to translational research linking over 100 researchers, trainees, knowledge-users (community members, community-based organizations, policy and decision makers) in the field of Hepatitis C (HCV) from across Canada as well as international partners. **TRR179** is a collaborative research center funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) consisting of 18 interdisciplinary research projects on three different partner sites in Germany (Heidelberg, Freiburg and Munich). The overall aim of the TRR179 is to identify the decisive virological and immunological mechanisms determining the outcome of hepatitis virus infection.

Together they are offering the opportunity for one CanHepC trainee and one student from the German TRR179 Hepatitis Network to do a 2-6 months internship with one of the PIs affiliated to the other network.

For the complete list of CanHepC PIs able to mentor please refer to the [CanHepC website](#). The complete list of TRR179 PIs is available on the [TRR179 homepage](#). Please note that you are responsible for making contact with your host PI and liaising with them regarding your application.

Who can apply?

- Doctoral students (PhD and MD) funded by either CanHepC or TRR179
- Postdoctoral students funded by either CanHepC or TRR179
- MA students of the affiliated PIs

What can be funded?

- Research topic of the applicant must be linked to the respective research focus of PhD/postdoctoral project
- Ideally, new methods, experimental setups, scientific experience will be gained by the exchange and transferred to the respective networks.

Duration of funding:

- 2 to 6 months within 2023

Value:

CanHepC applicants will receive max. \$7500 CAD and TRR179 students max. €5.000. These amounts will cover the following expenses (please note receipts need to be kept for reimbursement):

- Travel allowance
- Accommodation
- Other costs like e.g. visa costs, health insurance etc.

Important dates:

- **Applications** can be submitted on a first-come basis **until June 30, 2023**

How to apply:

Application must be made online via the [CanHepC website](#). You will be asked to complete the online form providing all the necessary information (project title, objectives, qualifications, etc.) and to upload a certain number of documents (see the list below). Please note ONLY PDF documents can be uploaded, please convert your documents in pdf beforehand.

- Project description (2 page description of the project/new techniques &/or methods you wish to accomplish/gain during your internship including any preliminary work, aims & added value to both networks)
- CV of the applicant
- Motivation letter of the applicant
- Support letter from of the host PI including description of the facilities and resources that will be available to the intern

Selection procedure:

- Applications will be reviewed by a committee composed of 3 members of the TRR179 (one rep per sites) and 3 members of CanHepC.

For any further information or if you have any specific questions please contact:

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