**Innovation Program Research Grant – Summer 2019**

* Lallemand Health Solutions is launching a funding competition to stimulate innovative research in the field of probiotics for human health applications. The goal of this scientific research grant is to create new sustainable scientific partnerships with researchers across Canada, to provide training opportunities for students, and to foster breakthrough research. The grant is for a maximum amount of $80,000 CAD (90% of which to be used toward stipend/salaries, contingent on budget justifications). Funds are to be provided in collaboration with [Mitacs](https://www.mitacs.ca/en), to support the project spanning over a period of no more than three years.
* Eligible applications will be evaluated according to the following criteria:
	+ Innovation and originality: originality of the proposed research question, including novel techniques/methodology, novel animal models, novel microbes as well as the potential for creating new knowledge.
	+ Feasibility: feasibility of the research project in terms of proposed budget, time frame, staff, and resources available.
	+ Applicant’s Excellence in research: experience of the applicant including independence, proven track record of peer-reviewed publications, total research funding, team strength and training of highly qualified personnel.
	+ Impact of the research: research question to be addressed and how it contributes to health in Canada and worldwide.
* Please complete this form and submit your application to Ms. Naghmeh Nikpoor, PhD at LHS.Innovation@lallemand.com. Please note that text exceeding the allocated space will not be visible and unless explicitly recommended, additional materials submitted with this application will not be considered. Applications received after the closing date will not be considered for the current competition.

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| **Quick eligibility checklist** | **Yes** | **No** |
| I am a full-time faculty member from a recognized Canadian academic institution. | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| I am part of an established research program with the capacity to do research on microbiota and its role in human health and disease. | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| The proposed research is exempt from commercially available strains owned by companies other than Lallemand Health Solutions. | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Before receiving funds, I agree to sign a “Research Grant Agreement” that will outline the terms and conditions regarding use of funds, intellectual property, and other applicable restrictions. | [ ]  | [ ]  |

# Principal Investigator (Applicant) Identification

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| Occupational Title |   |
| Salutation | Please select | MD [ ]  | PhD [ ]  |
| Other post-nominal abbreviations |   |
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| Department Name |   |
| Mailing address (number, street name, building, room number): |
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| City: |   | Province: |   |
| Postal Code: |   | E-mail: |   |
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# Project Description

## Project Title (Maximum 40 words, 12 pt, Times New Roman)

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## Short Lay Summary (Maximum 115 words, 12 pt, Times New Roman)

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## Scientific Abstract (State the objectives of the proposed research and summarize the scientific approach, highlighting the expected significance of the work. Maximum 500 words, 12 pt, Times New Roman)

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## Preliminary supporting evidence (Maximum 275 words, 12 pt Times New Roman)

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## Proposed timeline and personnel (Maximum 200 words, 12 pt, Times New Roman. Note: it is recommended that a Gantt chart be submitted with the application.)

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## Proposed budget (Maximum 300 words, 12 pt, Times New Roman. Note: 90% of the funding (72k CAD must be used as a stipend/salary for hiring researchers (graduate students, postdoctoral researcher). The remaining 10% can be used for consumables. There is a possibility of in kind contribution from LHS upon selection of the top proposal.

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