

2001 CLS Health Services Research Funding Competition

The recently completed 2001 CLS Health Services Research Funding Competition was the most successful competition to date with 10 projects awarded funds totaling \$122,000. Of the 24 Letter of Intent (LOI) applications submitted to the Competition, six smaller projects were granted immediate funding at the LOI stage. Seven Researchers were invited to submit a full proposal for Phase II of the Competition.

The CLS R&D Committee approved four projects for funding in Phase II. Congratulations go out to all Competition winners and thank you to all applicants and review panel members for making this Competition a success. The 2002 Research Competition call for Letters of Intent will go out in January 2002.

A chart detailing the funded projects and investigators follows:

Dr. M. Duggan	Utility of the Repeat PAP Test at the time of Colposcopy in the increased Detection of Cervical Premalignancy or malignancy	\$6,046 <i>Awarded at LOI stage</i>
Dr. D. Barber	Spitz nevus: development of a tissue microarray and novel diagnostic markers	\$5,120 <i>Awarded at LOI stage</i>
Dr. A. Bruecks	Utility of routine multiple deeper levels for skin biopsy diagnosis	\$2,611 <i>Awarded at LOI stage</i>
Dr. M. Trotter	Static teledermatopathology: Diagnostic concordance with direct microscopy	\$2,155 <i>Awarded at LOI stage</i>
Dr. T. Magliocco	BCL-2 Immunodetection as a Surrogate Marker for ER/PR Status in Breast Cancer	\$10,000 <i>Awarded at LOI stage</i>
Dr. S. Elsayed	Comparison of PCR vs Phenotypic Methods for the detection of Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococci	\$11,750 <i>Awarded at LOI stage</i>
Dr. R. J. Hilsden	Utilization and Outcomes of Out-Patient Fecal Occult Blood Testing (FOBT) in the CRHA	\$25,000
Dr. M. Lyon	Evaluation of Vit K Dependent Factor VIIa Coagulant Activity as an Index of Pancreatic Exocrine Function in Children with Cystic Fibrosis	\$24,352
Dr. D. Church	Utilization Review of Urinalysis in Centralized Regional Laboratory Service	\$24,748
Dr. G. Sinclair	Evaluation of Platelet factor 4/heparin complex antibodies in heparin induced thrombocytopenia by an ELISA based method	\$10,000