

## AllerGen launches call for \$250,000 Emerging Clinician-Scientist Research Fellowship

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**Hamilton, ON (April 9, 2010)** – AllerGen NCE Inc., the Allergy, Genes and Environment Network (AllerGen), a national research network, is pleased to announce the launch of a national competition for an *Emerging Clinician-Scientist Research Fellowship* valued at \$250,000 over two years. The goal of the *AllerGen Emerging Clinician-Scientist Research Fellowship* is to enable Canadian Clinical Immunologists and Allergists to pursue allergy, asthma and/or anaphylaxis academic research training immediately following their Clinical Immunology and Allergy sub-specialty training in order to:

- Strengthen the academic capacity of Canadian Clinical Immunology and Allergy sub-specialists
- Increase Canadian capacity for translational Clinical Immunology and Allergy research
- Facilitate enhanced patient care through excellence in basic and clinical Allergy and related immune disease research.

This fellowship is aligned with AllerGen's strategic objectives related to Canadian capacity building, which are to:

- Increase research capacity in the field of Clinical Immunology and Allergy,
- Foster and enhance academic innovation arising from basic and clinical research for medical students and postgraduate clinical trainees that pursue sub-specialties in allergy and clinical immunology, and
- Increase the number of medical students that pursue the Clinical Immunology and Allergy sub-specialty and undertake related basic and/or clinical research.

Eligible candidates are Canadian citizens or permanent residents who are clinicians that have completed Clinical Immunology and Allergy sub-specialty training within the past 18 months at an academic health sciences centre. Preference will be given to applicants whose host institution can confirm that the applicant has been identified for a junior faculty position following successful completion of the fellowship.

Full applications must be either hand-delivered or courier stamped no later than Friday, October 1, 2010 by 12:00 p.m. EST.

Please visit the link: [http://www.allergen-nce.ca/Training\\_and\\_Careers/Funding\\_and\\_Training\\_Opportunities.html](http://www.allergen-nce.ca/Training_and_Careers/Funding_and_Training_Opportunities.html)

AllerGen's mission is to catalyze and support discovery, development, networking, capacity building, commercialization and knowledge translation that contribute to reducing the morbidity, mortality and socio-economic burden of allergic and related immune diseases.

AllerGen aims to create an enduring network of allergy and immune disease experts whose discovery and development efforts contribute to reductions in the impact of allergic and related immune diseases nationally and globally. AllerGen's networked approach to multi-disciplinary allergy, asthma and anaphylaxis research unites 134 researchers, 393 highly qualified personnel and involves over 100 Canadian/global partners.

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The logo for the Government of Canada, featuring the word "Canada" in a serif font with a small red maple leaf above the letter "a".