



Brain Canada

Platform Support Grants (PSGs)

Request for Applications (RFA)

About Brain Canada

Brain Canada is a national non-profit organization that enables and supports excellent, innovative, paradigm-changing brain research in Canada. For more than one decade, Brain Canada has made the case for the brain as a single, complex system with commonalities across the range of neurological disorders, mental illnesses and addictions, brain and spinal cord injuries. Looking at the brain as one system has underscored the need for increased collaboration across disciplines and institutions, and a smarter way to invest in brain research that is focused on outcomes that will benefit patients and families.

The Canada Brain Research Fund is a public-private partnership designed to encourage Canadians to increase their support of brain research, and maximize the impact and efficiency of those investments. Brain Canada has committed to raising \$100 million from private and non-governmental sources, which will be matched by government on a 1:1 basis. The Fund was announced in federal budget 2011, which proposed to “allocate up to \$100 million to establish the Canada Brain Research Fund, which will support the very best Canadian neuroscience, fostering collaborative research and accelerating the pace of discovery, in order to improve the health and quality of life of Canadians who suffer from brain disorders.”

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Rationale

High-impact research in neuroscience and mental health has always required skill, imagination, determination and insight, and nowadays it also requires access to shared equipment, facilities, services, databases, computing and informatics facilities, patient repositories, and biobanks, collectively referred to as technology “platforms”. Such platforms are too expensive for a single research laboratory or program to purchase or maintain, and are complex and highly sophisticated. They need to be operated and regularly maintained by skilled technical staff to ensure they operate at peak performance and efficiency and are accessible on demand. Some are of such large scale that they should only be provided on a regional or national basis.

Brain Canada identified support for operations and maintenance of research platforms as a gap in the research funding environment for the neurosciences, and now intends to address this funding gap by sponsoring a competition for Platform Support Grants (PSGs).

Grant details

PSGs support, for up to three years, major research platforms, local, regional or national that provide enhanced technical and research capability to multiple investigators working in the brain sciences. Maximum annual grant amounts (including matching funds) are up to \$1,000,000.

There is flexibility in the annual funding profile to accommodate the needs of specific platforms. Platforms could include brain banks, clinical trials networks, imaging facilities, transgenic animal facilities, specialized high-throughput genomics facilities, drug discovery platforms, data repositories, informatics systems and data-sharing systems. The linking and coordination of existing local or regional facilities into a national resource or network is especially encouraged under this scheme, as is the integration of Canadian resources into an international platform or consortium, as long as these actions improve its accessibility and utility to Canadian investigators. Since technical approaches used in the neurosciences are common to many other fields of the health sciences, platforms may serve researchers working in other fields, however neuroscience usage must be predominant, or the proposed platform enhancement must be of specific and unique benefit to the neurosciences.

Central to PSGs is the concept of added value, that is, the support from Brain Canada and Partners must result in at least one of the following outcomes:

- Improved operations and capabilities of existing platforms so that research is facilitated and accelerated.
- Integration and coordination of existing infrastructure so that it works better and is more widely accessible.
- Creation of new data pools and improved access to data, permitting research activities that were not previously possible.

- A discernable impact on Canada's capabilities in neuroscience research, even for local and regional platforms.

Examples of added value *include*:

- purchasing improved maintenance in order to extend the lifespan of platforms and keep them providing the most advanced capabilities;
- performing essential repairs, and upgrading hardware (see eligible costs);
- increasing or upgrading technical support in order to offer additional services, improved client support, or extended hours of service;
- reducing user fees to academic-sector users if this will allow those previously unable to access the platform to do so;
- enhancing the ability of neuroscience researchers to share and retrieve research data, biological samples, and adopt common protocols;
- standardizing the acquisition and curation of material, and developing standard operating procedures that will improve the reliability and reproducibility of operations;
- undertaking demonstration projects of the types of research that would be impossible without the services or information provided by the platform (see eligible costs);
- training researchers in advanced and novel techniques available through the platform;
- developing novel technical and methodological approaches for neuroscience research, including informatics tools and software, that will have wide applicability and impact on research progress;
- engaging end-users of research and decision-makers so that new knowledge is more rapidly translated to practice, and ethical issues of neuroscience research are addressed.

PSGs are not intended to replace current sources of funding or merely sustain current levels of platform service and capability.

Funding Partners

As a public-private partnership, Brain Canada grants are derived 50% from the Canada Brain Research Fund (CBRF) and 50% from a funding partner.

Brain Canada has already secured a number of partner commitments to co-fund research projects that qualify and align with partners' strategic priorities (to support research with a theme, disease and/or geographic focus). The list of partners who have already committed to co-fund research projects and their strategic priorities is available on the [Brain Canada Website](#). Brain Canada will continue to update our website with any new commitments that we receive from funding partners, so that the research community is informed about opportunities for developing applications responsive to the priorities of partners.

To help secure more partner funds, Brain Canada may have to share the full contents of relevant LOIs and applications with actual or potential funding partners, under confidentiality agreements.

Sponsored Opportunity

Through this Sponsored PSG funding opportunity, Brain Canada aims to assist Sponsoring organizations, agencies, institutions and individuals who wish to build capacity and develop research excellence in specific thematic and geographic areas. To take advantage of this Sponsored Opportunity, the Sponsor commits to providing matching funds for a specific research project, and the research team applies for funding of the project.

We expect this opportunity to be of particular interest to:

Institutional Benefactors and Donors to Charities, who want to support a specific aspect of brain research, or a neuroscience or mental health research project at a specific institution, or conducted by a particular research team. Through a combination of tax credits from their donations to the institution or charity, and the matching funds provided by Brain Canada, their donations will be leveraged 2.5-3 fold, depending on the province.

Health Charities and other Funders, who can use this opportunity for exceptional leverage to attract additional donations and support more high-quality research relevant to their mission, than would otherwise be possible.

Research Institutions, which can also attract additional donations, and use this opportunity to build their capacity for brain research by supporting their investigators at a reduced cost.

Industry partners, who can use this funding opportunity as a low-cost approach to supporting innovative pre-competitive research in the neurosciences.

- Eligible Sponsors include individual donors, charitable organizations, provincial government agencies and ministries, for-profit enterprises, research institutions, hospitals and health-care organizations, and any other entities, including foreign entities or organizations, which do not receive more than 50% of their funding from the Government of Canada. **A Sponsor may support any number of applications and multiple partners may support a single application, but no partner can commit less than 20% of the matched funding required.**
- It is strongly advised that researchers and Sponsors begin to discuss possible sponsorship of a project as early as possible in the application planning process. Letters of Intent (LOI) may be submitted without a firm commitment from a Sponsor, but should at least be accompanied by letters expressing an interest in supporting the planned research.
- By submitting an application, Sponsors commit to contributing in aggregate 50% of the project budget, contingent on the application being considered deserving of funding by the Selection Committee. **This amount must be provided in cash to Brain Canada, which will add the other 50% from the Canada Brain Research Fund, and administer the grant.**
- By administering this Sponsored funding opportunity, including the review process and subsequent progress reporting, Brain Canada incurs operating and personnel costs.

According to the federal Contribution Agreement governing the Canada Brain Research Fund, the only source of operating funds for Brain Canada is an administrative fee charged on funds flowing to grant recipients. **Brain Canada’s policy is to deduct a 5% administrative fee from the Sponsor’s contribution, and 10% from the matching contribution from the Canada Brain Research Fund. This will result in a combined deduction of 7.5% from the total grant.**

- Subsequent to the LOI review, invited **full applications will not be accepted unless accompanied by a letter of commitment from one or more Sponsors, unless the application is being submitted for funding from a partnership that Brain Canada has already secured commitment for in advance.** If a Sponsor is unable to honour its funding commitment at any time, Brain Canada will also have to withdraw its funding. It is recommended that potential Sponsors contact Brain Canada (see below for contact information) to ensure clarity on Brain Canada’s matching policies.
- Partners’ support of PSGs will be acknowledged in all presentations and publications, and Brain Canada will advise Partners of any impending media opportunities related to the supported platform, and vice-versa.
- There is no pre-determined limit of the amount of Brain Canada funding available for this competition, however Brain Canada may, depending on the number of applications recommended for funding, impose a cap on the amount dedicated from the Canada Brain Research Fund to support this competition, in which case Brain Canada’s contribution will be allocated to applications in descending order of merit, as assessed by the Selection Committee(s), until the dedicated funds are exhausted.

Eligible costs

Eligible	Ineligible
Purchase of service contracts, equipment repairs and other improvements to prolong the life of the platform and ensure it remains “state of the art”; and to increase its performance, capacity and the number of users supported. <i>Purchase of equipment and hardware may not exceed one quarter of the total value of the grant.</i>	Renovation or construction of space, purchase of standard office and laboratory furniture (cabinets, stools, computer desks, etc.)
Specialized supplies and services necessary for operation, to increase the platform’s performance and number of users supported.	Basic laboratory services (heat, light, HVAC, municipal water supply, natural gas, security, cleaning, etc.) and research support services normally provided by an academic institution (e.g. libraries and other repositories of published works, basic animal care, technology transfer functions)
Salaries and benefits for technical and professional personnel responsible for developing, operating, and maintaining the platform.	Salaries of any individual eligible to apply for Brain Canada’s MIRI grants, or students at any stage of training, or postdoctoral fellows.

Development and dissemination of, and access to: databases; data repositories; and patient registries. Development of informatics platforms and portals to access and deposit data; development of technical protocols; data standards; and standard operating procedures.	Costs involved in meeting regulatory or ethical requirements, occupational health and safety requirements, audits or requirements for licensing, etc. Insurance. Costs associated with protection of intellectual property.
Training programs for new users and technical staff; advertising the availability and capability of the platform to users; communications between users intended to improve utilization and operation of the platform; meetings of management committees for purposes of improving operations of the platform.	Costs for the operation of platforms that are for other than neuroscience research, and incurred by users who are ineligible to receive funding from the federal granting agencies (CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC).
Operating costs of a demonstration research project intended to demonstrate the utility and value of a newly-formed platform and secure sustaining funding from other sources, <i>not to exceed one-half of the total value of the grant.</i>	For platforms that integrate research with other activities, such as service delivery or education and advocacy, costs that are not directly attributable to research and associated knowledge translation activities.

Note that this list is not exhaustive, and Brain Canada may rule any other expenditure eligible or ineligible. Applicants are advised to contact Brain Canada before submitting an application requesting support for other types of expenditure.

Eligibility

This competition is open to User Groups of investigators working in the brain sciences. Broadly defined, this embraces all areas of neuroscience, and any disciplines that are being applied to the study of the nervous system in health and disease. It includes the neurological and mental health disciplines, as well as social, biological, chemical, physical, engineering, mathematical and computer science research that has as its objective to advance our understanding of the brain, nervous system, and special senses, or to resolve problems arising from their dysfunction. A User Group is composed of investigators based in Canada whose research depends on use of the platform for which support is requested, or who are involved in the development of the platform.

- **Members** of the User Group must be eligible to receive funding from the federal granting agencies. The User Group may be based in one or several research institutions.
- One of the User Group Members will be designated the **Lead User**, nominated by the User Group to be the individual responsible for submitting the application on its behalf, for all communication with Brain Canada. The Lead User will normally be the individual responsible for overall management of the Platform, and if the Platform is a physical entity it will normally be located at the Lead User's institution.
- Brain Canada's PSGs will have additional impact if they also increase opportunities for interaction and collaboration between researchers from different sectors and countries who intend to use the platform. **Associate Members** of the User Group are researchers from industry, government, other non-academic sectors, and international researchers, who intend to use the platform. While these other users cannot receive Brain Canada funding, they should be listed in the application, and their interaction with the User Group described (see "Application Process", page 8, below).
- In order to apply to a Sponsored Opportunity, **it is necessary to have written**

commitments from funding partners who in aggregate will provide 50% of the amount requested (if the application is approved).

Criteria for Assessment

A highly-rated application will have the following attributes:

- ***Excellence and impact of the research that is conducted using the platform.*** The platform enables excellent researchers to generate novel results that contribute to the advancement of theory and concept, or lead to the development of new approaches for prevention, diagnosis and treatment of neurological and mental illness. The research enabled by the platform could not be conducted in its absence, except at much greater cost and more slowly, and support for the platform will enhance Canada's capability in neuroscience research. The ultimate impact of this research will be to reduce the burden of disease, improve quality of life, and/or stimulate economic development in Canada. The platform enhancements will stimulate intersectoral (e.g. university/industry, university/health care service) or international collaboration. For new platforms where some funding will be used for a demonstration research project, the project is scientifically excellent and of high potential impact.
- ***Distinctiveness of the platform.*** The platform is unique in its capabilities within the nation, region, or locality.
- ***Management of the platforms.*** The governance and organizational structure is strong, effective, and widely understood by users. There is an equitable and user-friendly process for access, and users receive training and assistance, allowing them to use the platform and its services in the most efficient, safe, and economical fashion. There is regular budget planning for operations and maintenance, and for technical modifications to keep pace with scientific progress. For established platforms, users attest to the smooth operation and minimum down-time of the platform, and know how to communicate suggestions and concerns to the responsive operators. The operation of the platform is reviewed or audited regularly against defined performance benchmarks and identified deficiencies are corrected.
- ***The added value of Brain Canada and Partner(s) support.*** The PSG will facilitate user access to the platform and improve its operational capabilities, quality, or capacity.
- ***Sustainable commitment to platform support.*** The application is clear on the extent to which the existing platform, or the components that will be coordinated or integrated using the PSG, is/are supported from other sources. There are explicit commitments from the other funding partners of the platform, and assurances that the PSG will not merely displace the financial commitment of other supporters. There is a credible plan for sustaining the platform after the expiry of Brain Canada funding.
- ***Data sharing and standardization.*** The platform adopts standard protocols and standardized data collection so that, subject to applicable laws and regulations, its data and specimens will be useful and accessible to other qualified researchers. Linkages to other databases, repositories, biobanks, and registries are described. *Applications for support of repositories, databases and registries which contain information about patients or human subjects must explain how their platform conforms to the relevant sections of the "Neurological Registry Best Practice Guidelines" published in Canadian Journal of Neurological Sciences, Vol. 40 No. 4 Supplement 2, July 2013 and also available at <http://canadianregistrynetwork.org/>.*

Timeline

Call for Applications	December 15, 2014
Deadline for Receipt of Letters of Intent	16:00 EST, January 30, 2015
Invitation for Full Applications	Week of March 9 2015
Deadline for Receipt of Applications	16:00 EST, April 24, 2015
Notification of Award	Week of June 1, 2015
Funding begins (earliest date)	October 1, 2015

Application process

Lead Users should contact Brain Canada (programs@braincanada.ca) with enquiries about the application process.

All LOIs and applications must be submitted using Brain Canada’s electronic grant management system (https://braincanada.smartsimple.ca/s_Login.jsp). The Team Leader must sign on to the Brain Canada electronic grant application submission portal before **16.00 EST January 30, 2015** to complete all application fields.

LOI Application Components:

1) Platform Summary:

- Title of proposal;
- Project start and end dates (note: choose dates within a 36 month window)
- List up to 10 key words describing the platform;
- Provide a summary description of the platform and how it will be used to advance research in the brain sciences, including an explanation of the special services, capabilities or expertise that the platform will offer to researchers in the locality, region, nationally, or internationally. Explain how the data or materials acquired, curated or analysed by the platform will be made available to other qualified researchers, with appropriate safeguards in the case of human data. (Maximum 500 words)

2) User Group details:

- List the names and affiliations of the members and associate members of the user group. It is recommended to include for each name a URL for their institutional or personal webpage or CV, so that reviewers find out more about the member’s research interests and achievements.
- Team member publications: For each of the up to ten team members, cite up to five of their publications, of which at least three must have been published in 2010 or later. “Publications” means any type of document or medium, print or electronic, which best illustrates the member’s relevant research experience, expertise and achievement. Ideally, these describe paradigm-shifting ideas and findings, or

examples of effective application and knowledge translation of research findings, and demonstrate the applicant's ability to contribute to the proposed research project. Each item should be annotated with a brief reason for its selection. Include the DOI, URL or PMID of publications where applicable so that reviewers can access them.

- CVs should **not** be attached to the LOI.

3) Impact:

Provide a **description** of the anticipated collective impact of the PSG on the research of the user group, including the potential for intersectoral and international collaboration, and on Canada's capabilities in neuroscience research. Emphasize the added value of the PSG in improving the platform's accessibility, performance, and reach into the neuroscience research community. (Maximum 500 words)

4) Budget:

- For each grant year, provide the total amount of requested grant funding in the budget table.
- Provide an outline budget for the full period of funding, listing the major line items as described under "Eligible Costs", above, supplemented by a brief statement explaining how this expenditure will support the intended operation of the platform. (Maximum 600 words)

5) Attachments:

- Figures and references (maximum 1 pages).
- Lists of >10 Users or Associate Users (if applicable)
- Support letters from potential Sponsors (voluntary, no limit to number) LOIs do not have to be accompanied by a funding commitment from Sponsors, but a letter of support from a sponsor potentially interested in supporting the project, explaining why the project is important to the sponsor may influence the LOI Selection Committee's assessment of the significance of the proposal, the likely uptake of the research results, and the overall impact of the project.

6) Optional information:

- Provide names and contact information for up to three individuals not in conflict who would be competent to evaluate the application;
- Individuals to whom the application should **not** be sent for review. Reviewers will be selected by Brain Canada, taking these suggestions into account.

7) Certification and Signatures:

The Lead User must click "I Agree" box to certify the following agreement: "I certify that all members of the user group have agreed to their inclusion in this application, and allow me to represent them throughout the application process. I also certify that all members of the

user group permit Brain Canada to circulate this application to third parties, under a confidentiality agreement, for the purpose of securing matched funding.”

Full Application Components:

A. Sponsors

- Sponsors must provide the Lead User, well before the application deadline, with official letters of commitment that specify the title of the application(s) that will be supported, and the amount and duration of funding that the sponsor commits to provide to Brain Canada.
- The aggregate commitment from all Sponsors must be 50% of the total funding requested in the application(s).
- It is understood that this commitment is contingent on the application being recommended for funding, and the availability of matching Brain Canada funds, which will be allocated to applications in order of merit.
- Some sponsors may intend to use the application process to help them select the most meritorious applications that they will actually fund. For example, a university may commit to funding the two most-highly rated and fundable applications from among the three submitted by applicants from that university. This is permissible, so long as this additional contingency is clearly stated in the letter of commitment that accompanies all the applications to which it applies. The commitment must still be to fund 50% of the requested funding for the individual projects, if selected. It is important that the applicants understand that this additional contingency, essentially an inter-sponsor competition, applies to their application.
- If these contingencies are met, the Sponsor(s) will be required to sign a formal Sponsorship Agreement consistent with the terms of the letter of commitment, and with Brain Canada’s Funding Terms.
- Lead Users must forward the Sponsor letters with the full application. These will be reviewed on receipt to ensure the amounts committed are sufficient, and if not, the application will be withdrawn.

B. Team Leaders

Full applications are due on or before 16:00 EST on April 24, 2015.

Applications must be submitted using Brain Canada’s electronic grant management system (https://braincanada.smartsimple.ca/s_Login.jsp). The system will be made available to invited research teams following a successful LOI decision notification.

The details for submitting a full application will be provided to the Team Leaders of the successful LOIs following the LOI review process. A full application will require a more detailed and well-developed rationale for support of the platform, including the innovative approaches and impacts of the research that will make use of it, and explanation of the current and future sources of support for the platform.

Application Format:

It is the sole responsibility of the applicants to ensure their application is properly formatted, complete, and received before the deadline. For any attached documents, font type Arial and size 11 or higher should be used. Applications received in any other format, exceeding the page limits, incomplete, or late, will be rejected. Brain Canada will acknowledge receipt of applications by email within one working day.

Material extraneous to that requested above will be removed before the application is sent for review.

Review and Decision Process

Brain Canada will recruit a PSG Selection Committee, which will be composed of experts, from within and outside Canada with a broad range of expertise and training who will be recruited according to the topics of the PSG applications and are not in conflict with the applications.

Letter of Intent

In anticipation of an important number of applications, and not wishing to waste the time of those involved in uncompetitive proposals, there will be a short LOI stage to identify those applications that are the most likely to be competitive.

LOIs will be reviewed by two members of the LOI Selection Committee composed of Canadian and International members, who are not applicants. The Committee will be recruited by Brain Canada, which welcomes suggestions from Sponsors about its membership. At the discretion of the Chair of the Committee, certain LOIs may also be sent to other expert reviewers to obtain an additional opinion. Depending on the type and number of application received, Brain Canada may recruit sub-committees of the Selection Committee with specialized expertise in particular areas or approaches to research, so that LOIs are appropriately reviewed against the prevailing and relevant standards of excellence in their field.

The Selection Committee will recommend which applicants should be invited to submit their LOI proposals as full applications. It may also recommend that applicants consider collaborating and consolidating their proposals.

All LOI applicants will receive anonymized reviewers' comments, but if considered uncompetitive by all reviewers, certain LOIs will not be discussed in detail at the meeting of the Selection Committee and will not receive notes of the Committee discussion. Brain Canada will not entertain appeals against the assessment of the Selection Committee.

Full Application

Only those invited by Brain Canada following LOI review will be able to submit full applications. These will be reviewed by at least two expert reviewers, and by two members of the Selection Committee.

Brain Canada will invite applicants to provide suggestions for the membership of the Selection Committee, and for the selection of the expert reviewers who will provide the Selection

Committee with expert advice on specific applications.

The Selection Committee will provide a merit score for each full application, and recommend to Brain Canada those applications that have received a sufficiently high merit score to deserve funding.

Applicants will receive written comments from the expert reviewers and the Selection Committee, but if considered uncompetitive by all reviewers, certain applications will not be discussed in detail at the meeting of the Selection Committee and will not receive notes of the Committee discussion. Brain Canada will not entertain appeals against the assessment of the Selection Committee.

The membership of all committees involved in the adjudication of this funding opportunity will be posted on the Brain Canada website after the results are published.

Allocation of funding

Only applications judged to exceed the high standard of excellence set by the Selection Committee will be funded. The Board will determine the total Brain Canada contribution to the competition and this will be allocated to applications in descending order of merit, until the dedicated funds are exhausted or all recommended applications are funded. Successful applicants will be notified that their proposals have been conditionally approved, and informed of any conditions that must be met before funding can be released. Brain Canada, in consultation with Partners, may require that certain applications are combined before they are funded.

Due diligence

In order to reduce the burden on applicants, Brain Canada may require documentation (e.g. service contracts, or repair/upgrade estimates, ethics approval where relevant) only from those applicants whose PSG proposals have been conditionally approved. Where the platform involves the management of personal information or material derived from or to be used in human studies, the applicants will be required to provide copies of appropriate institutional ethical, confidentiality and other approvals as necessary before funds are released. The required documents must be received and other conditions resolved within a reasonable period specified by Brain Canada, before funds can be released to the institution of the Lead User. In case of distributed platforms, the lead user is responsible for distributing funds to the other directors of the other cost centers, through their institutions.

Confidentiality and Ownership

Brain Canada will keep all materials submitted to it for this funding opportunity confidential, and will take reasonable steps to keep these materials confidential, and divulge them only to reviewers, Selection Committee members and observers, who have signed confidentiality agreements. Funded applications will be retained for comparison of intended and actual outcomes, as part of the final evaluation of the Canada Brain Research Fund.

Brain Canada does not claim ownership of intellectual property (I.P.) arising from research it funds, and expects that its funds will be used to create I.P. that is developed and commercialized according to the policies of the research institutions in which the research is performed. User Group Members must resolve I.P. ownership issues with funding partners before submitting an application. Where the Partner is a for-profit entity, Brain Canada must be consulted to determine if the I.P. arrangements are acceptable, and this will be a component of the Partnership agreement.

Reporting, Communications, and Evaluation

As a condition of continued annual funding of PSGs, Brain Canada requires a brief yearly narrative and financial progress report from the lead users, outlining how PSG funds were used and what impacts were realized, as well as difficulties encountered and steps taken to overcome them. Progress reports will be reviewed by Brain Canada and Partners, with continued funding based upon a satisfactory review. Details of the reporting process will be provided to successful lead users.

Additionally, an End of Grant report will be required from all funded teams. Ten percent of the final year's funding will be withheld by Brain Canada and released on receipt of a satisfactory end-of-grant report that describes the overall impacts of the PSG grant.

In order to demonstrate to Canadians the ongoing value of the Canada Brain Research Fund, acknowledgment of Brain Canada and Partner funding must accompany all publication, release or presentation of research results obtained using platforms supported by Brain Canada. User team members must contact Brain Canada in advance of the publication, release or public presentation of significant research results obtained through the use of platforms supported by a Brain Canada PSG, so that a press release or other publicity can be prepared. Embargoes will be strictly respected. Brain Canada will advise Partners of impending significant publication.

For further Information

For any other information or questions:

- About the PSG competition and application process, please contact programs@braincanada.ca
- About Brain Canada and the Canada Brain Research Fund: go to <http://braincanada.ca/>