



JDRF Canada-Mitacs Postdoctoral Fellowship Program

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JDRF Canada and Mitacs are pleased to announce the launch of the [The JDRF Canada-Mitacs Postdoctoral Fellowship Program in Type 1 Diabetes](#). Fellowships will support postdoctoral scholars affiliated with academic institutions to conduct promising research with industry partners that are driving new therapies for type 1 diabetes (T1D) towards the clinic. Fellows will share their time between academic institutions and eligible industry partner organizations.

Important Dates:

Letter of Intent application deadline: March 24, 2023

Applicants notified of outcome of stage 1 review: May 1, 2023

Stage 2 application deadline: June 9, 2023

Notice of decision: anticipated August/September 2023

Funding start date: Fall 2023 — start no earlier than September 4, 2023, no later than December 1, 2023 (extensions may be possible in certain circumstances)

Program Objectives:

1. Provide support for talented scientists at an early stage of their career to gain experience in an industry environment focused on T1D research & development, in any area relevant to [JDRF's global research strategy](#);
2. Expand and retain talent in the T1D research field in Canada;

3. Foster academic-industry collaborations that will drive new advancements to the T1D community.

Research Areas of Interest in T1D:

1. Cell replacement therapies: research relevant to the development of safe and effective cell replacement therapies for people with T1D.
2. Disease-modifying therapies: research into approaches to prevent, slow progression of, or cure T1D by targeting the autoimmune response, beta cells, or both.
3. Improving lives: research that aims to improve the quality of life for people living with T1D, which could include research into:
 - new or improved drugs to manage glycemia in T1D;
 - prevention or treatment of short- or long-term complications of T1D; or
 - improvements in devices used in diabetes management.

Four awards are available through the 2023 Request for Applications.

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