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NEW RESEARCH TRAINEES SPAN THE PROVINCE

Provincial funding for research has enabled the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research to fund a record 170 candidates for Research Trainee Awards. These trainees, now beginning their careers in health research, come from many locations, including areas across the province, and represent a wide range on interests and areas of specialization.

A cross-section of research trainees, their areas of specialization, research location and contact information is provided below for media interviews. A complete list of Research Trainee Award recipients is available on the Michael Smith Foundation website at www.msfhr.org/ by following the links to the Research Trainee Program.

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