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Message from the Executive Committee....



We sure hope everyone has had some vacation over the summer months because it looks like the CRRN is going to have a very busy fall. The majority of platform leaders have finalized contracts with the Ottawa Hospital Research Institute and have received their funding for year 1. Therefore, the executive and scientific steering committee will be expecting progress and possibly results from some of these projects in the next few months.

As well, the education committee will be very busy reviewing applications for all the training awards.

Just a reminder that we will be sending out information in September for the CRRN pilot project funding that we discussed at our last conference call. Our plan is to fund 5 or 6 pilot projects at \$50,000 each. The successful applicants will be asked to present their project at the CRRN Investigator Meeting being held in Ottawa on January 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015.



# CRRN NEWS

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### Scientific Steering Committee Members:

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## COMING SOON!

Information and Applications for CRRN Pilot Projects

### CRRN Conference Call Information:

Next conference call is Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 pm EDT.

Phone in number is:1-855-219-6965

Access code is: 457582511



On August 26th, 2014 representatives of

CRRN's Biomarker and Cohort Platforms met with their US counterparts in efforts to develop collaborative Canadian/US projects involving biomarker discovery. We are hoping that this effort will accelerate opportunities for CRRN to develop cross-border research collaborations with US-based networks.

CIHR will be announcing a SPOR grant opportunity in the areas of chronic disease and CRRN may be wellpositioned to apply. We will be meeting with ICRH Directors to begin preparatory work on the SPOR LOI. Stay tuned for more info....

### **Training Program Update:**

**ERLI** awards:

11 of 14 applicants received letters of support from the CRRN confirming that that their projects align with the goals of the network. These 11 applicants can now apply for the ERLI awards. Application Deadline is September 15, 2014.

Studentship and Fellowship awards: Application deadline is September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 and these will be announced in October 2014.