**Dr. Arthur Axelrad Summer Studentship Award**

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| **Overview** |
| **Value of Award** | $1000 |
| **Availability** | Annually |

The Office of Research Trainees (ORT) is pleased to announce **The Dr. Arthur Axelrad Summer Student Award**. This program is funded by generous contributions made in the memory of Dr. Axelrad. For over fifty years, Dr. Axelrad was a Senior Scientist committed to the fight against cancer. He was one of the founding members of the Ontario Cancer Institute, now the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre and was also a member of several academic Departments at the University of Toronto, including Medical Biophysics. He was recognized for his outstanding contributions with the title of University Professor, the highest honour awarded to a faculty member. In addition, Dr. Axelrad was presented with the Thomas W. Eadie Medal for his invention of a cell cloning method and he was a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada. Dr. Axelrad will also be remembered as an influential mentor and educator.

**Objectives**

The purpose of the Arthur Axelrad Summer StudentshipAward is to annually recognize and reward an outstanding undergraduate student for their research achievements in the area of cancer. Funds will be directly transferred to the student.

**Value and Duration:**

The Arthur Axelrad Summer Studentship is for $1000.00 and will be awarded in the area of cancer research. The winner will be featured in the ORT Times Newsletter.

**Eligibility**

1. Students must be currently registered in an undergraduate program at a university within Canada.
2. All students must be in good academic standing and must have a minimum cumulative GPA of at least a B+ (>75%).
3. The student’s summer student supervisor must hold a primary appointment as a Senior Scientist or Scientist at the University Health Network’s Princess Margaret Cancer Centre and have at least 75% protected time dedicated to research. They must also hold an academic appointment in the Department of Medical Biophysics at the University of Toronto.
4. The student must present the results of their summer research project at the Medical Biophysics Summer Student Poster Day.

**Evaluation and Adjudication**

Each poster presentation will be evaluated by at least two judges from within Medical Biophysics Department based on the following criteria:

* Background knowledge
* Novelty and impact of results
* How well the data is presented
* Student’s ability to answer questions relating to work

**Award Administration**

The student with the winning poster, as deemed so by the adjudication judges, will receive the prize. The ORT will transfer the funds through Research Financial Services to be deposited into the student’s bank account. No part of the award funds will be used for UHN administrative purposes.