



CANADIAN RESPIRATORY CLINICAL RESEARCH CONSORTIUM
CONSORTIUM CANADIEN DE RECHERCHE CLINIQUE EN PNEUMOLOGIE

ANNUAL MEETING
April 23, 2009

The Canadian Respiratory Clinical Research Consortium (CRCRC) is an organization of Canadian academic respiratory physicians and health care professionals with a special interest in respiratory clinical research. The Consortium is a not for profit organization. Information about the CRCRC can be found on the web at www.crcrc.ca.

Our goal is to facilitate exchange of progress of ongoing clinical research projects and to help Canadian respiratory researchers bring their clinical research projects to fruition. This involves helping Canadian clinical researchers develop their research projects with respect to designing the question, writing the grant, getting funding, and implementing the protocol.

We hold an annual national conference each year. This year's national CRCRC meeting will be held in Toronto at the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel on Thursday April 23. Our meeting will take place from 0730-13:00. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. This year's CRCRC meeting will immediately precede the annual Canadian Respiratory Conference meeting scheduled in Toronto which will be held from April 24-25.

This conference will be of special interest to Respiriologists, Respiratory Therapists, Physical Therapists, Nurses, Clinical Fellows, Postdoctoral Fellows, PhD students, and Graduate students working in respiratory public health/epidemiology.

We would encourage investigators to submit their respiratory clinical research protocols to the CRCRC. The investigator can then present his/her protocol at the CRCRC annual meeting. The CRCRC will provide objective, constructive review of all submitted protocols. Those protocols that are endorsed by the CRCRC can be subsequently implemented by the investigator through our Canada-wide network of clinical researchers.

Potential investigators are also encouraged to submit pilot studies for presentation and review at the meeting.

As part of the initiative to encourage participation in the process we are able to offer travel stipends to young faculty and researcher trainees who wish to present their research protocols or pilot studies at the CRCRC meeting. We will pay travel and accommodation costs (2 nights) for speakers who present their research protocols at our annual meeting.

If you are interested in attending our annual meeting on April 23 please email the CRCRC coordinator: Leslie Goulding at lgoulding@ohri.ca. There is no charge for registering for the meeting.

If you would like to present your research protocol or pilot study to the CRCRC at the annual meeting on April 23 then please email Dr. Aaron (saaron@ohri.ca) and include a copy of your protocol or a 1-2 page structured abstract. All protocols will be kept confidential.

We thank you for your interest in furthering clinical respiratory research in Canada.

Sincerely,

Shawn Aaron