

BHCRI Membership Guidelines

The Beatrice Hunter Cancer Research Institute (BHCRI) is an Atlantic Canadian organization that brings together a multidisciplinary and diverse network of cancer researchers. BHCRI serves as a collective voice for cancer research in the region and provides a mechanism to foster collaboration, advance research excellence, and advocate on behalf of the Atlantic Canadian cancer research community.

BHCRI membership includes academics, clinician scientists, industry specialists, trainees, and early career investigators engaged in all areas of cancer research, spanning the four pillars of health research as defined by CIHR: biomedical, clinical, health systems and services, and population health. Through its membership, BHCRI works to connect cancer researchers across institutions and disciplines to strengthen collaboration and research impact.

Joining and acknowledging BHCRI membership supports the Institute's ability to advocate regionally and nationally, attract funding and attention to Atlantic Canada, and sustain programs that benefit members, trainees, and early career investigators.

Benefits of Membership

Membership benefits align with the objectives and priorities outlined in [*BHCRI's Strategic Plan*](#).

Networking & Collaboration

Participation in a broad, multidisciplinary network of cancer researchers across Atlantic Canada.

Opportunities to collaborate with researchers at various career stages and across research disciplines.

Access to forums and activities that facilitate collaboration, including seminars, workshops, conferences, Integrated Learning Sessions (ILS), and Work in Progress (WIP) sessions.

Research Excellence

Support for collaborative and innovative cancer research with the potential for high-impact outcomes.

Opportunities to engage in research initiatives aligned with national priorities and funding trends.

Seed funding and collaborative opportunities to advance new and emerging research ideas.

Training & Support

Access to BHCRI's Cancer Research Training Program (CRTP), a comprehensive program supporting cancer research trainees across the Atlantic region.

Opportunities for students and early career investigators to receive funding, peer review, mentorship, and collaboration support.

Engagement in training and professional development activities designed to support career growth.

Communication & Promotion

Increased visibility of member research through BHCRI communications and promotional activities.

Opportunities to contribute to and benefit from internal communications that raise awareness of ongoing research and collaboration opportunities within the membership.

Support in communicating the impact of Atlantic Canadian cancer research to external stakeholders and the broader community.

Engagement & Sustainability

Opportunities to participate in committees and initiatives that shape BHCRI programs, policies, and priorities.

Contribution to the long-term sustainability of BHCRI through collective engagement and acknowledgment of membership.

Support for BHCRI's efforts to secure funding, build partnerships, and maintain a strong regional presence.

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI)

In addition to these five strategic pillars, BHCRI recognizes the fundamental importance of fostering an institute that promotes equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI). As part of this strategic plan and its implementation, BHCRI is committed to applying an EDI lens across all strategic objectives to ensure that policies, programs, and partnerships are inclusive, equitable, and reflective of the diverse communities we serve.

Land Acknowledgment

BHCRI is located in the ancestral, unceded and traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq, Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet), Passamaquoddy, Beothuk, Inuit, and Innu peoples. These lands are now known as New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. These lands enable us to build meaningful connections across institutions and communities in Atlantic Canada, in pursuit of a stronger, more unified cancer research network. We are all Treaty people.

Membership applications will be evaluated by the BHCRI Operations committee with oversight from the Management Advisory Committee (MAC). There are multiple categories of membership:

Membership Categories and Fees

Please review the current membership categories, eligibility criteria, and annual fees on the [BHCRI website](#) prior to completing this application. Membership renewals occur annually and are aligned with the timing of the BHCRI Annual Conference.

Membership eligibility is assessed based on criteria appropriate to the applicant's membership category and professional role. Members are expected to remain in good standing by fulfilling their commitments to BHCRI and by demonstrating professional conduct and ethical standards in the workplace.

All members will automatically receive BHCRI's regular newsletter to stay informed about Institute news, programs, and member activities. BHCRI members will have a research profile on the BHCRI website and may be called upon to serve as subject-matter experts, as appropriate.

Supporting BHCRI as a Member

Members are encouraged to actively support BHCRI by acknowledging their affiliation with the Institute. This includes listing BHCRI membership in email signatures, personal or institutional websites, and curricula vitae, as well as including BHCRI affiliation in cancer-related publications, regardless of whether the work resulted from BHCRI funding.

Members are also expected to keep their BHCRI profile current, contribute to BHCRI committees and events when possible, and include BHCRI affiliation in biographical information when presenting at local, national, or international events. Members are encouraged to support trainees by participating in Cancer Research Training Program (CRTP) activities when feasible.

Active member engagement strengthens the network of cancer researchers across Atlantic Canada.



BHCRI MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

CATEGORY OF MEMBERSHIP

SENIOR SCIENTIST

SCIENTIST

AFFILIATE MEMBER

APPLICANT INFORMATION

TITLE

SURNAME

GIVEN NAME(S)

MAILING ADDRESS

DEPARTMENT

INSTITUTE/ORGANIZATION

COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS

ACADEMIC DEGREES

CROSS/JOINT APPOINTMENTS

AREAS OF EXPERTISE (WILL BE USED TO POPULATE SEARCHABLE EXPERTS DATABASE)

KEY WORDS (PLEASE LIST UP TO FIVE KEYWORDS – WILL BE USED TO POPULATE SEARCHABLE EXPERTS DATABASE)

PRIMARY CANCER(S): PLEASE INDICATE THE TYPE OF CANCER(S) YOUR RESEARCH TARGETS (I.E. BREAST, BREAST CANCER THERAPY, PROSTATE, OVARIAN, ALL TYPES)

PROVIDE A BRIEF 1-2 PAGE (MAX) DESCRIPTION OF YOUR CANCER RESEARCH PROGRAM.

RESEARCH CLASSIFICATION (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

FUNDAMENTAL

CLINICAL

POPULATION

BEHAVIORAL

STATEMENT AND SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

I HEREBY APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE BEATRICE HUNTER CANCER RESEARCH INSTITUTE. I HAVE READ THE GUIDELINES AND UNDERSTAND THE PRIVILEGES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THIS CATEGORY OF MEMBERSHIP. BY TYPING MY NAME BELOW, I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION STATED ABOVE IS TRUE.

DATE:

SIGNATURE:

ENCLOSURES

- CURRENT C.V. INCLUDING LIST OF PUBLICATIONS OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF RESEARCH ACTIVITY FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS
- EVIDENCE OF RECENT PEER-REVIEWED OPERATIONAL FUNDING SUPPORT (IF APPLICABLE)
- SUPERVISOR OR ADVISOR LETTER OF REFERENCE FOR STUDENT APPLICATIONS
- TWO PAGE DESCRIPTION OF CANCER RESEARCH PROGRAM
- PLEASE SEND ELECTRONIC COPY OF DOCUMENTS AS A SINGLE PDF FILE IN ORDER (APPLICATION, LETTER, AND CV TO: admin@bhcri.ca)