

2025 Lori Baker Award in Breast Cancer Research

Funding Opportunity

The Arnie Charbonneau Cancer Institute invites applications for research projects focused on breast cancer. Funded by the Lori Baker Fund through the Calgary Health Trust, this opportunity will support research into the causes and treatment of breast cancer.

Applications focused on translational, clinical, health services, and/or population health research with a clear focus on breast cancer are welcome.

Funds Available & Application Deadline

Total funds available for the competition: **\$60,128**

Number of Awards: 1 award

Application Deadline: **4pm on Tuesday, September 30, 2025**

Funding Decision (anticipated): **November 1, 2025**

Submit applications to charbonneau@ucalgary.ca

Application Guidelines

- Principal Applicant must hold an academic appointment (including adjunct) at the University of Calgary or at Alberta Health Services.
- Members of the Arnie Charbonneau Cancer Institute are eligible to apply.
 - If you are not yet a member of the Arnie Charbonneau Cancer Institute, you may apply for membership at the same time you submit this application.
- One award will be available from the available funding.
- If you currently hold an internal award administered by the Charbonneau Cancer Institute, you are not eligible to apply until the award is spent or a final report has been submitted to the institute.
- Funds will be awarded based on feasibility (timeline, research environment, resources, and expertise), scientific merit of the research, significance and impact of the proposed project, and alignment with the funding call as described above.
- Patient and/or care-giver involvement in the development of the study is encouraged, where appropriate.
- Funds must be non-overlapping and can be used for:
 - Salary support for research staff, graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, trainees, patient partners
 - Research support for consumables, equipment, services, software, clinical/administrative data access, data storage, and other relevant research costs
 - Conference registration of travel, costs to bring visiting scientists and other researchers to Calgary
 - Capital equipment, administrative costs, including faculty or staff professional development expenses related directly to the project.
 - Funds must be used within 24 months.

- Awards will be determined based on the project's innovation, scientific merit, feasibility (including applicant/team), potential impact, patient involvement and/or consultation, and relevance to breast cancer. As part of the review, a patient advisor may be invited to provide feedback, which will be considered by the review panel during the adjudication process.
- **Application documents:**
 - Cover sheet (use attached form).
 - Lay summary (no more than 500 words) describing the rationale, approach, and impact of your study.
 - Statement of impact/significance (no more than 250 words)
 - Proposal (2 pages maximum): background/rationale, experimental design/methods, and significance.
 - Figures (1 page maximum) may be attached if desired.
 - References (1 page maximum).
 - Itemized budget with justification, including any current or leveraged funding (1 page maximum).
 - Abridged CV (2 pages) for the principal applicant only, highlighting publications, current and pending (applied for) funding, and any accomplishments relevant to the application.

Responsibilities of Recipients

The recipient(s) of funding from the Lori Baker Award in Breast Cancer Research will be responsible for providing a report on the use of funds provided by the award and acknowledging the award as appropriate in publications and presentations. The Project Lead will be responsible for managing expenditures in accordance with the approved budget and reporting on an annual basis project expenditures and outcomes.

APPLICANT DETAILS	
Title of Proposal:	
Principal Applicant	Name: Email address: Phone number:
Co-Applicant (if applicable)	Name: Email address: Phone number:
Other Members (if applicable)	Name:
	Email address:
	Name:
	Email address:
	Name:
	Email address:
	Name:
	Email address:

SIGNATURES	
PRINCIPAL APPLICANT SIGNATURE:	
CO-APPLICANT SIGNATURE (IF APPLICABLE):	
DATE OF SUBMISSION: (dd/mm/yyyy)	

PROPOSED RESEARCH
<p>Append the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lay summary (no more than 500 words) describing the rationale, approach, and impact of your study. 2. Statement of impact/significance (no more than 250 words) 3. Proposal (2 pages maximum using 12-point font and 1-inch margins; single spacing is okay), which should include background, scientific rationale, experimental design/methods, and potential impact and outcomes. 4. ONE PAGE of Budget plus Budget Justification. Also note any current funding or leveraging for this work. 5. ONE PAGE of figures and ONE PAGE of references may be appended.