**DIRECTOR’S INNOVATION AWARD 2016**

Please complete this form and submit electronically. Your application should also include the following:

1. One page Research Proposal (complete separately and attach to application)
2. One Page Research Training Environment Statement that outlines student’s role in project, highlights resources and programs that will be made available to the student, including funding information (complete separately and attach to application)

Terms of reference for the Award are included at the end of this application form.

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

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CITIZENSHIP: Choose an item.

**PROJECT INFORMATION**

PROJECT TITLE: **Development of Surgical Instruments for Endoscopic Ear Surgery**

**SUPERVISORY INFORMATION**

**CO-SUPERVISOR #1** **CO-SUPERVISOR #2**

NAME: Dr. Adrian Lewis James NAME: Dr. Jan Andrysek

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**Terms of Reference**

To help initiate new collaborative research programs, IBBME has established the Director’s Innovation Award. This award will support IBBME direct-entry graduate students who are working on a new project under the co-supervision of two faculty members who have not substantially collaborated previously.

IBBME will award up to five (5) $15K awards per academic year. These awards are to be applied to the first-year stipend of an IBBME graduate student.

* At least one of the faculty members must be IBBME-affiliated, either core- or cross-appointed.
* Proposals evaluated on scientific merit and quality of training experience.
* Priority given to new and genuine collaborations, and new projects that cross IBBME research themes.
* Preference will be given to those students who are PhD-direct entry students.
* Students who hold external scholarships (NSERC, CIHR, OGS, QE-II) are not eligible to apply.
* IBBME Director’s Innovation Award holders remain eligible for IBBME departmental fellowships.
* Applications for the Director’s Innovation Award are due on June 27th and will be adjudicated by the IBBME Director and Associate Directors - Research and Graduate Studies.

**Renewal of Director’s Innovation Award**

The IBBME Director’s Innovation Award holders are eligible for a one-year renewal of their award valued at $10K.

The terms of the renewal are as follows:

* The award will be given in two $5K installments (September, May).
  + If the award holder is currently a Master’s student, the second installment payment will be contingent upon successful bypass into the PhD program.
  + If the award holder is a direct-entry PhD student, the second installment payment will be contingent upon a successful qualifier exam.
* The supervisor(s) of record must confirm that applications for competitive external funding have been submitted, or will be submitted during the renewal period.
* The award holder must provide a one-page summary of their research progress and activity during the period of the award.
* Applications for renewal of the Director’s Innovation Award are due August 1st and will be adjudicated by the IBBME Director and Associate Directors - Research and Graduate Studies.

Revised: May 26, 2015