



Office of Research and Innovation

Grant Funding and Program Support for Research Partnerships

Agency

Natural Sciences & Engineering Research Council of Canada



Ontario Centre of Innovation



Mitacs



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| Description | NSERC is a Canadian federal agency that encourages post-secondary researchers to collaborate with industry to generate new knowledge and accelerate the application of research results for the benefit of all Canadians. | OCI is a not-for-profit organization, Provincial agency, that delivers research programs that accelerate the development, commercialization and adoption of emerging technologies to drive job creation and economic impact in Ontario. | Mitacs is a national, independent, not-for-profit organization, funded federally and provincially, that supports research & innovation and collaboration between academia and industry. |
| Main program and Project type | Alliance - Natural science or engineering projects that address an unmet industry-specific or societal need in Canada | Voucher for Innovation and Productivity (VIP) – projects that leverage unique post-secondary resources to meet industry innovation and commercialization needs in Ontario | Accelerate - internships for small- and large-scale projects with the goal of developing HQP and fostering growth and innovation |
| Company eligibility | Min 1 partner must be incorporated for-profit, not-for-profit, public in Canada, for 2 years, with 5 full-time employees | Incorporated for-profit in Ontario for 2 years, with 5 full-time employees | Incorporated for-profit and not-for-profit, Crown corporations, municipalities, hospitals in Canada; international for-profit |
| Other partnership Programs | Alliance – option 1 and 2, VIP-Alliance Joint Program, Accelerate-Alliance Joint Program | VIP-Alliance Joint Program Autonomous Vehicle Innovation Network (AVIN), ENQCOR 5G, Next Generation Network | Accelerate, Elevate, Business Strategy Internship, Accelerate-Alliance Joint Program |
| Decision time | 4-16 weeks depending on size of project | 6-8 weeks | 6-8 weeks |
| Website link | https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innover/alliance-alliance/ | https://www.oc-innovation.ca/programs/ | www.mitacs.ca/en/programs |

Other information

All Programs have open rolling submission deadlines. Contact our Research Coordinators to learn more.
Combination programs also exist amongst the three agencies, see the next page for more details.







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| Access to funding opportunities | Contract and research agreement negotiation | Grant administration and point of contact |
| Tech transfer and IP management | Hub for information and expertise | Application support and advice |

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| Agency and Program | Duration | Matching Available (Industry : Agency) | Industry Cash* & In-kind | Agency Contribution | Total Project Size |
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|  Alliance Option 1 | 1-5 years | 1:2 SME or multi-sector partners | \$10,000 - \$500,000 cash annually, plus in-kind | \$20,000 - \$1M annually | \$30,000 - \$1.5M annually |
| | | 1:1 Large companies (>500 FTE) | \$20,000 - \$1M cash annually, plus in-kind | \$20,000 - \$1M annually | \$40,000 - \$2M annually |
|  Alliance Option 2 | 1-5 years | NSERC covers up to 100% of the costs | No cash minimum plus in-kind | \$30,001 - \$300,000 annually | \$30,001 - \$300,000 annually |
| | | NSERC covers up to 90% of the costs | Minimum 10% of project costs plus in-kind | \$30,001 - \$300,000 annually | \$33,000 - \$330,000 annually |
|  VIP | 6-24 months | 1:1 | \$10,000 - \$75,000 cash plus \$10,000 - \$75,000 spent at the company (in-kind) | \$20,000 - \$150,000 cash annually | \$30,000 - \$225,000 cash annually + cash spent at company |
|  Accelerate | unlimited | 1:1 | \$7,500 per unit (or \$5,000 per unit if just salary stipend) | \$7,500 per unit | \$15,000 minimum (\$10,000 salary, \$5,000 project costs) |
| | | 1:1.22 for cluster (minimum 6 units for at least 3 interns) | \$6,000 per unit | \$7,333 per unit | \$13,333 x 6 minimum (\$10,000 salary, \$3,333 project costs) |
|  Alliance + VIP | 1 year | 1:1+1 | \$15,000 cash plus \$15,000 spent at company (in-kind) | NSERC - \$30,000 OCE - \$30,000 | \$75,000 cash + \$15,000 cash spent at company |
|  Alliance + Accelerate | 1-5 years | 1:2+1 SME or multi-sector partners | <i>Same as Alliance Option 1</i> \$10,000 - \$500,000 cash annually, plus in-kind | NSERC will match 1:2 or 1:1 PLUS Mitacs will match the same industry dollar | \$37,500 - \$2M annually |
| | | 1:1+1 Large companies (>500 FTE) | \$20,000 - \$1M cash annually, plus in-kind | 1:1 in \$7,500 or 1:1.22 in \$7,333 increments | \$50,000 - \$3M annually |

*Note: Industry cash contributions may be subject to additional indirect costs (institutional overhead or HST) depending on the program, please discuss with Research Coordinators