**Call for Invited Speaker Trainee Self-nominations for the *Imagine Lecture***

Inspired by our patient and caregiver community who ask “what if there is another way” for patient care, we are hosting the ***Trainee Imagine Lecture***. The Imagine Lecture will be part of the Summit for Cancer Immunotherapy (Summit4CI) taking place April 6th – 8th, 2025 in Toronto, Ontario.

The goal of the Imagine Lecture is to showcase a Trainee who has taken a patient-focused approach to their research in hopes of ultimately improving on the quality of life of cancer patients. Guided by a senior Network clinician and/or scientist, the successful candidate will develop and present a lecture that speaks to their experience with patients, focusing their talk on a topic that is relevant and accessible to all delegates. This lecture will highlight the impact that patient or caregiver engagement has had on the trainee’s current or future research or professional activities and will touch on the perceived impact the engagement has had on the patient or caregiver.

**Award**

The recipient of the Imagine Lecture Award will be reimbursed for travel, meals and accommodations (as per the BioCanRx Travel Policy) and will have their Summit4CI registration fee covered. Additionally, the recipient will receive a monetary gift presented by the Chair of the Cancer Community Partnership at Summit4CI. The runner-up will also receive a monetary gift presented at Summit4CI.

**Eligibility**

To be eligible for this award, you must be an undergraduate or graduate student, medical student or resident or postdoctoral fellow.

**Selection Criteria**

Nominations will be adjudicated based on the following criteria:

* Quality, novelty and suitability of the proposed presentation
* Alignment of the nominee’s experience and the proposed presentation
* Fit with the BioCanRx mandate

**Application Procedure**

Fill out the application form below with the required documentation and send your application package to [jjonkhans@biocanrx.com](mailto:jjonkhans@biocanrx.com) by November 8th, 2024.

List of Required Documentation:

☐ Completed Application, Questions A, B and C

☐ Curriculum Vitae, Item D

**Application for the Imagine Lecture**

Complete all sections below; return to [jjonkhans@biocanrx.com](mailto:jjonkhans@biocanrx.com) by November 8th, 2024 by 11:59 PT.

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| **Candidate Information** | | | |
| Title: | Surname: | | Given Names: |
| Position & Year of Study (i.e. MSc Student, PhD Student, Post-Doc, Research Associate, Undergrad/Co-op or Technical staff): | | Institution name: | |
| Phone number: | | Email address: | |
| Citizenship:  Canadian (including Permanent Resident)  Foreign | | | |
| \*\* Gender:  Woman  Man  Non-binary, Genderfluid, and/or Two-Spirit  Prefer not to answer | | | |
| \*\* Do you identify as Indigenous, that is First Nation, Métis, or Inuk (Inuit)?  Yes  No  I prefer not to answer | | | |
| \*\* Do you identify as a member of a racialized community?  Yes  No  I prefer to not answer | | | |
| \*\* Do you identify as a person with a visible or invisible disability?  Yes  No  I prefer to not answer | | | |
| *\*\* BioCanRx is an advocate for equity and is committed to ensuring representation in its community. We welcome applications from members of racialized communities, women, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, and persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities. BioCanRx seeks to maintain its commitment to excellence and recognizes that increasing the diversity of its network supports this objective. These questions are not tied to award decisions; they are a tool that will allow BioCanRx to monitor the equity performance of its programs.* | | | |
| **Supervisor Information** | | | |
| Title: | Surname: | | Given Names: |
| Phone Number: | | Email address: | |

1. **Please provide a description of the patient engagement activities/involvement you have had during your training.** Where applicable, please be sure to note the impact of this engagement on you, your training, and/or the patient/patient community (250 word max).
2. **Please provide an overview of your proposed presentation (250 word max) if selected.** Note that the presentation time slot is 15 min (10 talk + 5 Q&A). In your overview, please include a working title.
   * Topics can include, but are not limited to:
     + How your patient/caregiver engagement experience has impacted your current research
     + How you expect your patient engagement experience to impact your future career and professional aspirations
     + Your perspective of how your patient/caregiver engagement experience has impacted the patient/caregiver

1. In 100 words or less, please outline what you hope the audience will take away from your talk. As a reminder the audience at the Summit4CI is made up of researchers, clinicians, trainees, technical staff, patient partners, industry, and government representatives.
2. **Provide your CV as a separate document;** be sure to highlight your patient and caregiver engagement experience.