

Genomic Applications Partnership Program (GAPP) - Round 9

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For More Information

More information can be found here: [GAPP Program Overview](#) [1]

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Description

The Genomic Applications Partnership Program (GAPP) funds downstream research and development (R&D) projects that promote the commercialization and translation of genomics-derived technologies which address real world opportunities and challenges identified by industry, government, not-for-profits and other “Receptors” of genomics knowledge and tools.

The program provides a unique opportunity for Receptor organizations to collaborate with an ‘omics researcher, and to leverage their R&D investments with public funding.

This competition will support small-scale proof-of-concept/pilot projects through to large-scale projects. Projects should not be in discovery phase.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the GAPP, a project must:

- Develop and apply a genomics-derived tool, product or process to an opportunity or challenge defined by the Receptor(s);
- Focus on late stage R&D that will position the innovation for near-term implementation / commercialization;

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- Be co-led by an academic and a Receptor organization in partnership, with active and necessary roles for both; and
- Demonstrate the potential to generate significant social and/or economic benefits for Canada.

Maximum Project Value

\$300,000 to \$6 million. The structure of the funding plan is as follows: 1/3 investment from Genome Canada, 1/3 provided by the User partner (cash or in-kind) and 1/3 of other co-funding.

Indirect Costs

0% for funding requested from Genome Canada; indirect costs may apply to Receptor (i.e. industry) collaborator(s)

Project Duration

One to three years. Shorter or longer terms will be considered only if strong rationale is provided.

Special Notes

Important Documents:

- [Investment Strategy and Guidelines](#) [3]
- [GAPP Financial Guide](#) [4]

Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

Type	Date	Notes
External Deadline	Monday, May 15, 2017 - 9:00am	Draft Expression of Interest (EOI) to Ontario Genomics (the draft EOI does NOT need to be submitted to the Office of Research): May 15, 2017
		Final Expression of Interest (EOI) to Genome Canada: TBD*

*Please submit a signed OR-5

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		form and the Final Expression of Interest to the Office of Research two weeks prior to the external deadline to Genome Canada. If invited to the full application stage, please submit a copy of the final application to research.services@uoguelph.ca [5] at least two weeks prior to the Ontario Genomics final full application deadline.
		Supplementary deadlines will be provided by Ontario Genomics.

How to Apply

There is a three-stage gated application process for this program:

1. Expression of Interest (EOI)
2. Project pitch
3. Supplementary proposal

At each of the above stages, applicants will be part of a due diligence review process where a panel of industry experts and entrepreneurs provide feedback to help teams navigate the application and increase their competitiveness. These reviews are mandatory for all Ontario projects.

Applicants should anticipate the following phases in the application process:

- Submission of draft EOI to Ontario Genomics.
- Face-to-face business pitch to due diligence review panel ([see panel members](#) [6]).
- Development of final EOI through active collaboration with Ontario Genomics.
- Submission of EOI to Genome Canada.
- Teams invited to Project Pitch stage: Perform practice pitch with Ontario Genomics before official pitch to Genome Canada.
- Teams invited to Supplementary Proposal stage: Submit draft applications to Ontario Genomics for panel review before submission to Genome Canada.

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For copies of the current forms, or to submit an EOI, please contact Shobha Ramsubir at sramsubir@OntarioGenomics.ca [7]

Information For Co-applicants

If you need to meet a deadline set by the lead institution for this opportunity, please ensure that you provide the Office of Research with at least five days in advance of the lead institution's deadline to review the application, or your proposed component of the project. Please be in touch with the Office of Research (contact information below) ahead of the deadline if it looks like it will be difficult for you to submit all the required documentation on time (i.e. budget, proposal, OR-5 Form).

For Questions, please contact

For questions on the GAPP program, please contact [Shobha Ramsubir](#) [8], Senior Manager, Business Development & Research at sramsubir@OntarioGenomics.ca [7]

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Links

[1] <http://www.ontariogenomics.ca/funding-opportunities/open-competitions/genomic-applications-partnership-program-gapp/>

[2] <mailto:sramsubir@ontariogenomics.ca>

[3] <https://www.genomecanada.ca/sites/default/files/pdf/en/gc-gappinvestmentstrategyandguidelines.pdf>

[4] http://www.ontariogenomics.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/1/2015/09/2014-GAPP_FinancialGuide.pdf

[5] <mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca>

[6] <http://www.ontariogenomics.ca/funding-opportunities/open-competitions/genomic-applications-partnership-program-gapp/gapp-due-diligence-committee/>

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