

CSIM New Investigator Award 2026

Terms of Reference

The New Investigator Award is offered by the Canadian Society of Internal Medicine in recognition of excellence in the field of general internal medicine research by a new investigator.

ELIGIBILITY

- Is a Full Member of the Canadian Society of Internal Medicine (in good standing with dues paid).
- Is certified by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and licensed to practice in Canada.
- Has completed a 5-year GIM specialty training pathway or completed 4 years of training and works primarily in GIM (e.g. their primary clinical appointment is in GIM).
- Has held full-time faculty appointment in Canada for a period of up to 7 years (cumulative, excluding leaves of absence) at the competition deadline (e.g. faculty appointment that provides eligibility to apply for grants and/or supervise trainees).
- Has not previously [been a recipient](#) of the New Investigator Award.

CRITERIA

- Productivity in research (e.g. publications and grants).
- Initiation and early development of a promising thematic program of research in general internal medicine.
- Impact or potential impact of research.
- Relevance to GIM in Canada.

AWARD

The recipient must present a lecture relevant to the target audience (IM/GIM physicians) relating to their research area during the CSIM Annual Meeting 2026, October 21-23 in Montreal, QC. The recipient will receive:

- A plaque.
- Complimentary registration to the 2026 CSIM Annual Meeting, and reimbursement of economy-fare travel and hotel accommodation (up to two nights standard room & taxes at the host hotel).
- A \$1,250 cash prize. *Social Insurance Number required for tax purposes by the Canada Revenue Agency.*

The recipient will be:

- Invited to judge an Annual Meeting event such as oral or poster presentations.
- Encouraged to submit their work to the [Canadian Journal of General Internal Medicine](#).
- Announced via the CSIM's website, social media, e-newsletter, and/or the CJGIM.
- Invited to join the CSIM Research/QI Committee.

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. The candidate's current curriculum vitae.
2. Two letters of support outlining the candidate's research accomplishments and the significance of the candidate's contributions to the field of general internal medicine. If a major part of the candidate's research has been done as a group, the candidate's role in the work should be specified.
3. A personal reflection from the nominee on the impact or potential impact and pertinence of their research to GIM and how their research portfolio fits within the subspecialty of GIM (up to 300 words).
4. Summary (up to two pages) highlighting up to five of the candidate's most important papers, especially those pertaining to the areas which define the GIM subspecialty (include reprints of any articles which are not open access).

DEADLINE: April 15, 2026
Email applications to info@csim.ca

(Email each document as separate PDFs with clear file names (e.g., CV_John_Smith_NIA.pdf))

NOTE: Please advise the CSIM office promptly if you do not receive a Notice of Receipt of Application within 72 hours of your submission. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the submission is received and late or missing submissions will not be accepted. Failure to comply with the application process and submitting incomplete applications may result in rejected applications.