

*Inspiring innovation  
Inspirer l'innovation*

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# Partnering for Innovation

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# Why Mitacs?

- ➔ National research network
- ➔ 17 years in operation
- ➔ 16,000+ research projects
- ➔ 65+ academic partners



# Mitacs by the Numbers



**\$113M**  
PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTMENT



**16000+**  
INNOVATIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS



**3100+**  
INDUSTRY PARTNERS



**40+**  
RESEARCH ORGANIZATION PARTNERS



**29000+**  
STUDENTS CAREER-READY



**2900+**  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT  
RESEARCH INTERNSHIPS



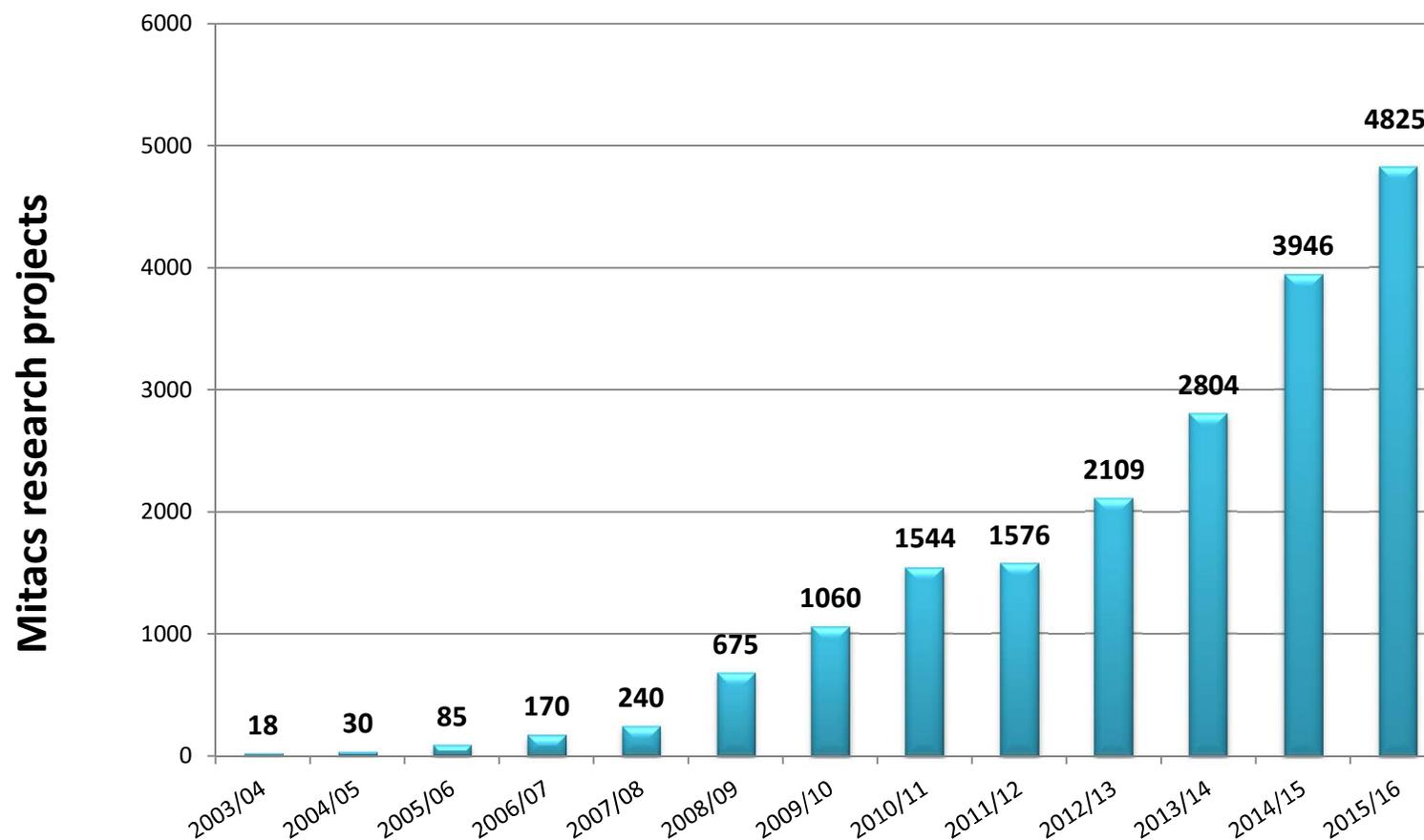
**65+**  
UNIVERSITY PARTNERS



**1300+**  
PROFESSIONAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Why Mitacs?

# Program growth



# The Mitacs network



- ✓ Computer science
- ✓ Engineering
- ✓ Anthropology
- ✓ Economics
- ✓ Chemistry
- ✓ Geography
- ✓ Health sciences
- ✓ Genetics
- ✓ Social work
- ✓ Forestry
- ✓ History
- ✓ Languages & linguistics
- ✓ Mathematics
- ✓ Business
- ✓ Education
- ✓ Interactive arts
- ✓ Psychology
- ✓ And more...

- **Small & medium business**
- **Large business**
- **Not-for-profit organizations**

# Mitacs program goals

- ➔ Support flexible, collaborative research projects
- ➔ Attract new funding
- ➔ Maintain high-quality research
- ➔ Support all disciplines
- ➔ Support international research collaborations in Canada and abroad
- ➔ Train graduates and postdocs for their careers



# Building research collaborations

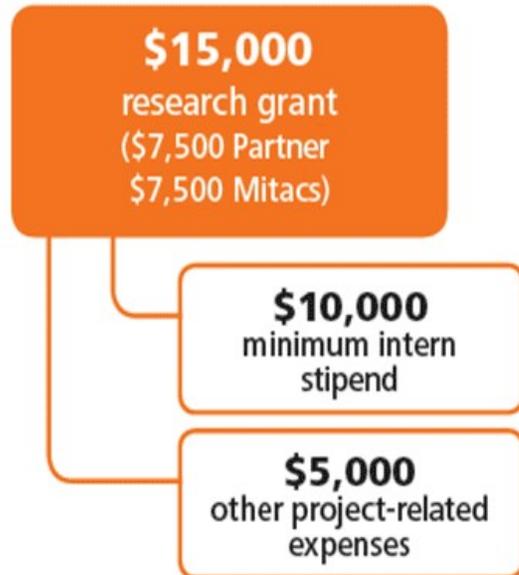


- ➔ Small and large-scale, multidisciplinary projects defined by industry or non-profit partner
- ➔ From \$15,000 to \$2M+ in funding
- ➔ Supports grad students and postdocs in all disciplines
- ➔ Non-competitive: apply any time
- ➔ Peer reviewed; quick turnaround

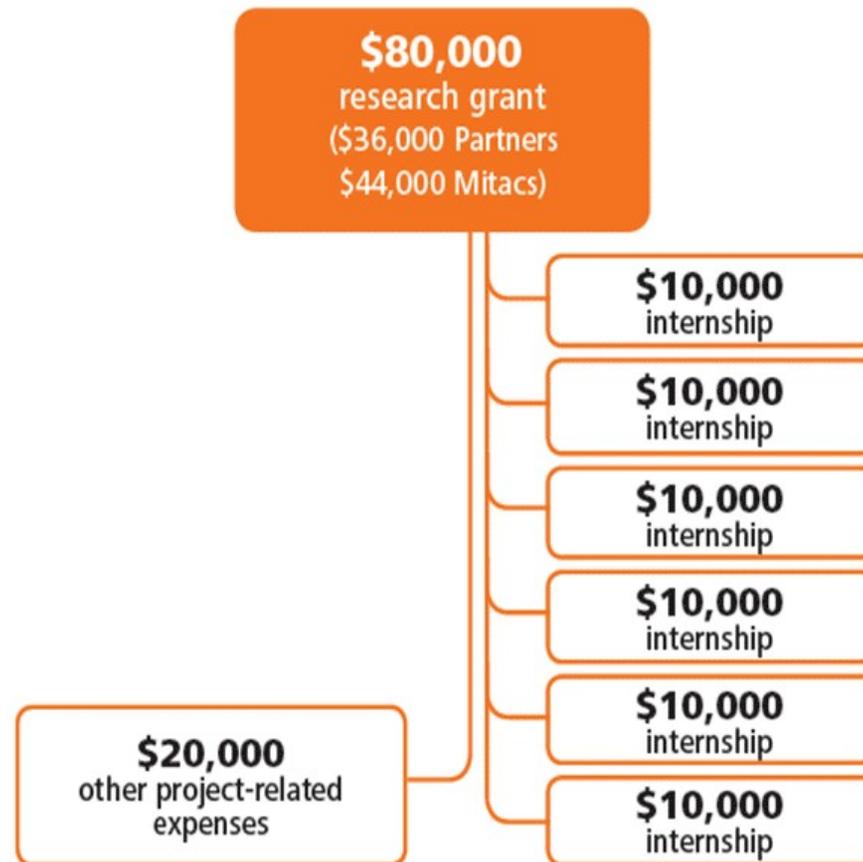


# Funding Model

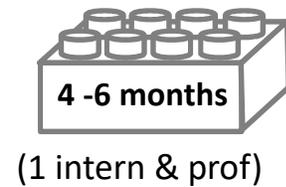
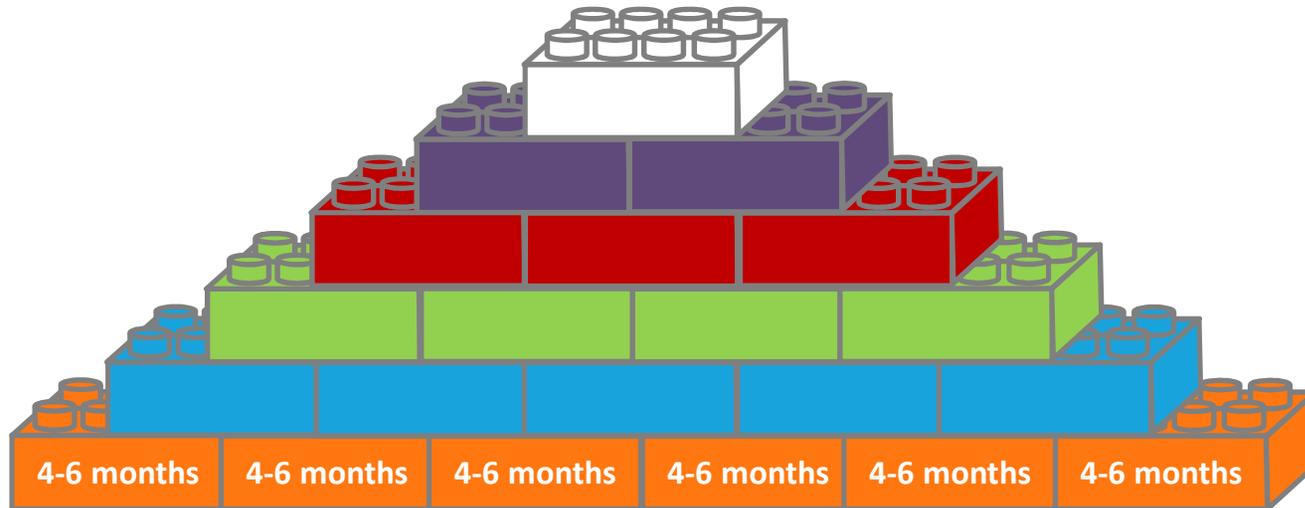
## Standard



## Cluster: 6 or > internships & 3 or > interns



# Scalability: build large-scale projects



- ➔ Can build bigger projects from simple 4-6 month units
- ➔ Matching starts at 1:1; stronger Mitacs leveraging available with bigger projects
- ➔ Projects can be multi-disciplinary (and multi-partner)

## Partners

- ➔ Business with facilities operating in Canada
- ➔ For-profit and crown corporations
- ➔ Domestic or foreign-owned
- ➔ Utility providers, NGOs
- ➔ Eligible not-for-profits
  - Projects must demonstrate economic or productivity orientation
  - must be incorporated as a not-for-profit organization



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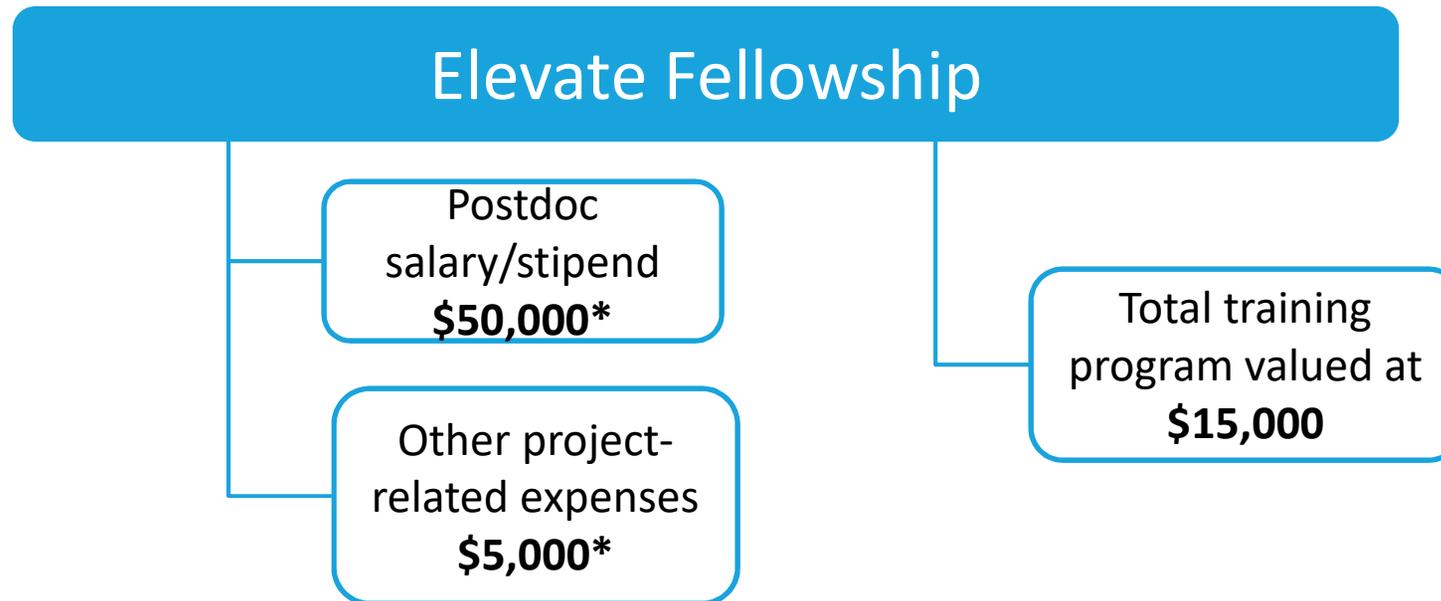
# Creating R&D leaders



- ➔ Postdocs translate research into long-term business value for the partner
- ➔ Professional management training
- ➔ Build a research leader for your lab
- ➔ Two-year fellowship for postdoctoral fellows
- ➔ Research collaboration with for-profit or not-for-profit sector partner
- ➔ Open to any discipline
- ➔ Competitive applications



# Elevate Annual Funding Cycle



## Annual Contributions\*

- \$30,000 Partner
- \$25,000 Mitacs (+\$7,500 value in training)

*\*per year over two years*

# International opportunities



- ➔ Research collaborations for senior undergraduate and graduate students in Canada and abroad
- ➔ Bringing the world's brightest students to Canada
- ➔ Overseas research opportunities for students in Canada in academia or industry



# Two-way research mobility

Research Internship,  
Graduate Fellowship,  
Research Award



Research Award,  
Partnership Award



# Globalink Partnership Award



- ➔ Research collaborations between international companies and grad students, faculty at Canadian universities
- ➔ 16 – 24 weeks, 75% abroad, 25% - home university
- ➔ All disciplines, no application deadlines
- ➔ Any country except USA



# Globalink Research Award



*Call is now open!*

- ➔ Bilateral research collaborations for senior undergraduate and graduate students with universities abroad
- ➔ International collaborations
- ➔ Opportunities with Mitacs partner countries
- ➔ 12 – 24 weeks
- ➔ Minimum 6K in funding



# Globalink Research Award

- ➔ Students must apply to Mitacs by November 8, 2017 | Results announced in March 2018
- ➔ 12-24 week research projects overseas
- ➔ Projects must begin within 1 year of the award letter being issued

TRAVEL ABROAD	
Degree Level	Senior Undergraduate & Graduate
Citizenship	Canadian citizens, permanent residents and international students
Funding	\$6,000-\$7,000 CAD
Destinations	Brazil, China, France, India, Israel, Korea, Mexico, Tunisia

## Pilot: Canadian Science Policy Fellowship

- ➔ Collaboration between Canadian universities and public sector
- ➔ Fosters evidence-based policy-making within federal and provincial governments
- ➔ Open to faculty members or postdocs at Canadian universities



- ➔ 12 month project, \$65K - \$75K in funding

## Our Funding Partners



Western Economic  
Diversification Canada

Diversification de l'économie  
de l'Ouest Canada



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