



Interactive Networking Tool for Research (INtR)

Goal

The main objective of the **Interactive Networking Tool for Research (INtR)** is to catalyze collaborative research within the CMDO Network and make its researchers more competitive.

Overall operation of the INtR (*see below about creating a Profile and a Support Request*) :

Having the areas of expertise for each of the "researchers" available (ex. keywords, expertise), the coordinator responds to queries received via the online [Support requests](#) system and interacts directly with the *researcher* to find answers to his requests / needs. Searches are conducted by the coordinator within the profile registry, but also throughout all the contacts included in the network.

The term "*researcher*" is used in its broader sense, and represents all categories of applicants: **researchers, physicians, students, postdoctoral fellows, residents, research professionals, nurses, etc.** - *We are all researchers at heart.*

This service is free, open to CMDO researchers and any researcher outside the network interested in interacting with CMDO members.

Examples of requests (which will be prioritized):

- **Support in seeking scientific information to develop project ideas:**
 - Identify / locate (provincially and internationally):
 - expertise / know-how;
 - platforms;
 - animal models;
 - apparatus;
 - specialized services;
 - data or tissue banks;
 - etc.
- **Get new collaborations** (inter-theme, inter-sectoral, etc.).

Any support request, regardless of the subject but in connection with the CMDO, is welcome and will be analyzed.

Thus, a major benefit to our operating system is that it is a dynamic interaction between the "researcher / applicant" and the coordinator; the system is not left to itself.

This networking tool will be publicized outside the network and to researchers outside-Québec to maximize the [Researcher profile](#) database and generate a multitude of contact points within the province and abroad (*French version is available*).

Let us know your skills / expertise to increase our network connections and contact us to accelerate the identification of required expertise, equipment (eg. a platform), etc. - See below to proceed.

Creating a database - Researcher profiles :

Upon enrollment to the CMDO Network, a researcher profile is created for all REGULAR researchers.

We now invite any CMDO Network member or non-member (researchers, physicians, students, postdoctoral fellows, residents, research professionals, nurses, etc.) with expertise that could be relevant in one way or another to the research area of cardiometabolic health, diabetes and obesity (CMDO) to create a researcher profile at the following web link: <http://www.rrcmdo.ca/en/intr/>.

This researcher profile is basic (ex. keywords and specific expertise) and is not public. The network coordinator is the exclusive administrator of this profile database. Some level of confidentiality is essential and advocated, while keeping in mind that we must make contact with other research teams from within or without the CMDO.

Criteria to Support requests

Anyone can make a support request via this tool but only requests made in order to interact / collaborate with members of the CMDO Network will be considered. All other requests will be denied.

Requests will be ranked and executed according to priorities established by the coordinator (ex. Member or not of the network? Urgency of demand?).

The system is there in order to receive support requests via the web (<http://www.rrcmdo.ca/en/intr/>).

Any request, whether related closely or not to the network's research themes, cardiometabolic health, diabetes, and obesity, can be tackled whether at the **fundamental, clinical, or epidemiological level or in connection with the Quebec health system.**

INtR web site - <http://www.rrcmdo.ca/en/intr/>

This informative website is public (*there is a button (Outil RIR | INtR) on the CMDO Network home page website, <http://www.rrcmdo.ca/en/>*), but does not give access to the Profil database (which is not public). Support requests must be processed via the website.

Web link to [Create / Enhance your Researcher profile](#)

Web link to a [Support Request](#)

« Chance favors the prepared mind »

For further information, please contact: lucien.junior.bergeron@rrcmdo.ca

Researcher profile form content - Create / Enhance your research profile

RECORDED INFORMATION IN THIS PROFILE WILL NOT BE PUBLIC, BUT WILL HELP POWER DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER RESEARCHERS / ENTITIES (LOCAL OR OTHERWISE).

Any CMDO Network member or non-member (researchers, physicians, students, postdoctoral fellows, residents, research professionals, nurses, etc.) with expertise that could be relevant in one way or another to the fields of cardiometabolic health, diabetes, and obesity (CMDO) is invited to create a [Researcher profile](#).

No question in the researcher profile is mandatory (except your name and email). You can send us the specific information you choose without having to answer all questions.

- CMDO Network member?
- Last name, First name?
- Your title (ex. M.D., Ph.D.) and / or current study level (eg. Masters student)?
- Affiliation?
- Email?
- Contact phone # ?
- Type(s) of research (basic, clinical, epidemiological, or health system)? Animal or human models? (More than one choice possible)
- Selected publications (max. 5 citations)?
- Laboratory website or personal Web pages?
- Keywords for your skills, your research areas of expertise (*what you can bring to other teams? (Specific expertise, Specialized Technical / Equipment; Possible Testing / measurements and in what specific conditions; Software; Animal models ; Special / Rare products; Participants recruitment services; Etc.)* (max. 3000 characters including spaces).
- Short summary of your research topic and / or your expertise? (max. 3,000 characters including spaces)
- Any relevant information with the objective of building the collaborative capacity? (Max. 3,000 characters including spaces)

Support requests form content

1. Complete the online form ([Support request](#)) being as precise and concise as possible!
2. If needed, we will complete / finalize it together in a short meeting / telephone discussion. During this discussion we can develop / clarify / explain more precisely the various information / requests included in this document.
3. It is not mandatory to have a completed researcher profile to submit a support request.

«Where there is a will there is a way»

The requested information :

- CMDO Network member?
- Last name, First name?
- Your title (ex. M.D., Ph.D.) and / or current study level (eg. Masters student)?
- Affiliation?
- Email?
- Contact Phone #?
- **What are your innovation/collaboration needs? What could other teams bring you? Critical information required to start the project? (Expertise, New inter-sectoral collaborations, Access to a platform, Protocols / Methods, etc... - indicate priorities to organize information search (max. 3000 characters including spaces):**
 - 1)
 - 2)
 - etc.