

## Inaugural NMIN Scientific Meeting 13-14 September

NMIN will gather its pan-Canadian research teams and other stakeholders for its first Scientific Meeting on September 13-14, 2019, in the Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre in Vancouver BC.

This event will feature:

- the science behind NMIN's research & innovation investment priorities: targeted drug delivery, gene therapy & diagnostics;
- overviews of NMIN's NanoCore & PharmaCore national core facilities;
- industry partners will share their research priorities & future hiring plans vis-à-vis nanomedicine R&D innovations in Canada;
- workshops on lessons learned from start-up company survivors in the Nanomedicine field & how to protect intellectual property to optimize long-term commercial opportunities; and
- a networking reception & dinner.

Day 1 of the event will be open to all those interested in the NMIN Network.

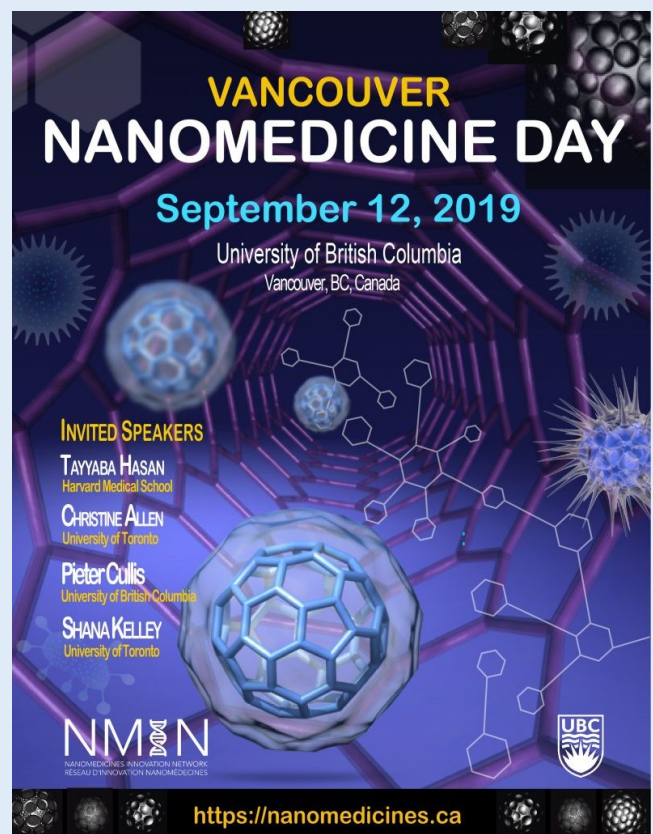
Day 2 will be open only to NMIN researchers, their teams, & NMIN Board & Committee members.

Event details & a registration portal are available on the [NMIN website](https://nanomedicines.ca).

**Please register by September 4, 2019.**

## Vancouver Nanomedicine Day 2019 12 September

NMIN is jointly hosting, together with UBC, Vancouver Nanomedicines Day 2019, a world-class symposium expected to attract some 300 renowned experts from across the nanomedicines field.



The event will feature keynote speakers including Dr. Christine Allen (University of Toronto); Dr. Pieter Cullis (The University of British Columbia); Dr. Tayyaba Hasan (Harvard Medical School); and Dr. Shana Kelley (University of Toronto).

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The event program also includes panel discussions, a poster competition (with cash prizes for the top three posters), and a gala dinner and awards celebration during an evening harbour cruise on the Magic Spirit yacht out of Coal Harbour .

### **Abstracts for oral presentations and posters are now being accepted for this event.**

We encourage researchers to write a short abstract about their work in the field of nanomedicine and to submit it, as a single-page PDF, before the deadline of Monday, August 12, 2019. For details and to submit an abstract, visit the [event webpage](#).

### **Registration to Vancouver Nanomedicine Day 2019 is free.**

However, your advance registration is required for planning purposes. Please [register online](#) by September 4, 2019.

### **Sponsors are being sought for this event.**

If you would like to suggest a potential sponsor, please contact NMIN's Executive Director, Dr. Diana Royce, at: [info@nanomedicines.ca](mailto:info@nanomedicines.ca)

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## NMIN's Emerging Research Program: An Update

NMIN issued its first invitational call for funding applications on April 15, 2019. In response, 22 researchers submitted 28 preliminary project plans. Applicants convened with NMIN Research Leaders at a *Research Strengthening Workshop* in Vancouver on May 7-8, 2019. At this workshop, researchers jointly evaluated and evolved their plans in advance of the June 10 application deadline.

Twenty-one proposals were submitted. Each underwent an initial screening by Research Leaders on June 21, and were reviewed by experts in three separate stages: strategic alignment; scientific excellence; and HQP/EDI, KTEE, Network, Partnerships and Budgets. The results will be considered by NMIN's Research Management Committee (RMC) on July 17, after which there will be a "lightning round" of formative feedback and project strengthening to ensure projects are fully aligned with NMIN's strategic priorities for investment.

The RMC's funding recommendations, together with the final applications, will then be reviewed for approval by NMIN's Board of Directors on August 21, 2019. Funding decisions will be communicated to applicants soon thereafter, with the release of funds anticipated in September 2019.

Based on the strengths and gaps of the resulting research program, NMIN will issue a second, strategically focused call for funding applications sometime in 2020.

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