I've learned lab and project management skills that were never part of my formal academic training. I learned how to communicate better with industrial partners and to plan out larger-scale projects that I wouldn’t be able to accomplish alone in a purely academic setting. Thanks to these skills I learned in the Elevate program, I’m starting to coordinate large multidisciplinary projects involving clinicians, academics, and industrial partners – and that’s exactly where I wanted to be.

Dr. Peter Bevan, Mitacs Elevate fellow

Elevate is a one-of-a-kind program. Not only does it support scientific research, but personal and professional development is emphasized. Attending business and entrepreneurship workshops and seminars throughout my fellowship allowed me to see beyond the technical realm and grow my network, tenfold.

Dr. Aydin Nabovati, Mitacs Elevate fellow

Mitacs Elevate offers postdoctoral fellows a 2-year professional development plan and collaborative research project, building capacity for the next generation of R&D management leaders.

The program provides fellows with career-ready skills in areas such as project management, entrepreneurship and presentation skills, while applying both their expertise and professional skill set in the real-world environment of a Canadian partner organization through a 2-year research project.

This engagement with organizations also provides Elevate fellows with the opportunity to work on an industrially relevant research challenge and gain valuable research leadership experience.
**HOW IT WORKS**

Mitacs Elevate provides an intensive level of support at every stage, including assistance with submissions, feedback on draft applications, assistance in identifying and approaching suitable potential partner organizations and ongoing skills development tailored to recent PhD graduates.

The program’s professional development component is customized for each postdoctoral fellow.

Fellows receive a competitive stipend of at least $50,000 per year.

The networking and training component provides postdoctoral fellows with the opportunity to connect with peers in their cohort, as well as industry and non-academic partner representatives, potential employers and workshop facilitators.

Applications are peer-reviewed to ensure that projects are academically and industrially relevant and are evaluated in a competitive call for proposals.

Mitacs maintains frequent contact with fellows to ensure research projects and professional development activities are on track.

Opportunities for publication as well as collaboration with the partner organization beyond the 2-year period.

**MITACS ELEVATE BENEFITS**

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