



DAIRY CATTLE GENETICS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (DAIRYGEN) of Canadian Dairy Network

CALL FOR LETTER OF INTENT OR FULL APPLICATION

1. In 2011, a new process for research proposals submission to DairyGen has been established. For any of the three annual submissions dates, researchers will have the choice to submit either a LOI (and potentially after a full proposal) or directly a full proposal. (Please note that the project title and the total budget should remain the same for the Letter of Intent and the Funding Application, otherwise the Funding Application may be rejected unless sufficient and valid justification is provided for the changes.)
2. Refer to the DairyGen Research Funding Program [Guidelines for Grant Application](#) for specific research priorities and details of the application process.
3. Letters of Intent and/or full applications are due no later than **January 15th, May 15th and September 15th** of each year and it is possible for the same researcher to submit more than one, if desired.
4. The most common granting period is two years but longer-term proposals that meet high research priorities of the DairyGen Council of Canadian Dairy Network are also considered. (Annual progress reports must be submitted on each anniversary of the project start date before payment for the subsequent year is approved.)
5. The mandate of the DairyGen Council of Canadian Dairy Network concentrates on research related to dairy cattle genetic improvement. It is essential for researchers who submit a Letter of Intent or full application to decide whether their project really fits the mandate of DairyGen since chances of approval are poor for proposals that do not correspond with the committee's mandate. DairyGen's mandate is further described in the Research Priorities section of the Guidelines for Grant Application.
6. **The DairyGen Council of Canadian Dairy Network strongly encourages electronic submission** of all Letters of Intent and Funding Applications, to be e-mailed to the DairyGen Secretary, Émie Désilets (Emie.Desilets@dfc-plc.ca) with a copy to the CDN R&D Coordinator, Dr. Filippo Miglior (Miglior@cdn.ca). In all cases, use an 11- or 12-point Arial or Times New Roman font with margins of one inch (2.5 cm) on each side. The Letter of Intent **must not** surpass 6 pages including the cover page and the submission form is available as a fillable pdf file on CDN website. Full Application must be submitted using NSERC forms. Direct links to these forms are available via NSERC's web site, the DairyGen link on the CDN web site (www.cdn.ca) or by contacting Dr. Filippo Miglior at CDN.
7. Upon confirmation of conditional support from DairyGen, researcher will be responsible to submit his proposal to NSERC for matching funds as soon as possible within a maximum period

of 90 days.