**OIRM - Versant Venture Pitch Day Application 2018**

**Event Date: November 1, 2018 from 1pm-5pm**

**Location: MaRS Discovery District, Toronto**

OIRM is happy to partner with Versant Ventures to host a Pitch Day where investigators will have the opportunity to present their research to members of the Versant team and start building a relationship around promising technologies.

Versant Ventures is a leading healthcare investment firm committed to helping exceptional entrepreneurs build the next generation of great companies. The firm invests across the healthcare sector and at all stages of company development, with an *emphasis on the discovery and development of novel therapeutics*, including cell and gene therapy or novel small molecules that stimulate endogenous repair. Versant also has an interest in enabling or platform technologies. This includes but is not limited to indications for:

* Oncology
* Immunotherapy
* Inflammation and fibrosis
* Rare diseases
* Ophthalmology
* Cell and gene therapy
* CRISPR technologies

Those eligible to participate in this program include investigators from:

* OIRM
* Medicine by Design
* Stem Cell Network

Applications must be submitting by the principle investigator, other team members (investigators only) are permitted to present alongside network investigators where applicable.

**Apply by September 28, 2018** to be considered for an opportunity to present.

Selected applicants will be notified with next steps and to book an individual meeting time. We ask applicants to hold this date and time, as confirmation of meeting times will only be sent one-week prior to this date. All presentations will take place in person in Toronto, selected applicants will be responsible for covering their own transportations costs (if this is an issue, please contact Jodi). Presentations should be 10-15 mins in length and use a non-confidential Power Point deck, additional presentations details will be provided to selected applicants.

Pitch sessions will be closed and neither social media nor photography will be allowed during this time.

Applications should be sent to jodi.garner@oirm.ca.

**OIRM-Versant Ventures Pitch Application**

Do you think you may have a technology of interest but aren’t sure if it’s too soon to apply? Apply! Versant is open to technologies that are still in early stages and could provide relevant feedback as to the next best steps.

Investigators name:

Institution:

Project title:

Collaborators and co-presenters (if applicable):

What network are you associated with, please selected all applicable networks.

 OIRM SCN MbD

Please answer the following questions:

1. At present, where do you see this technology?

 Discovery Translational Pre-clinical Clinical

1. Do you think you have an identified product?

 Yes No Not sure

1. Does the project have a potential disease application? If so, please indicate.

 Yes No

 Disease application:

1. Provide a 1-page summary of your technology.