



What's out there?

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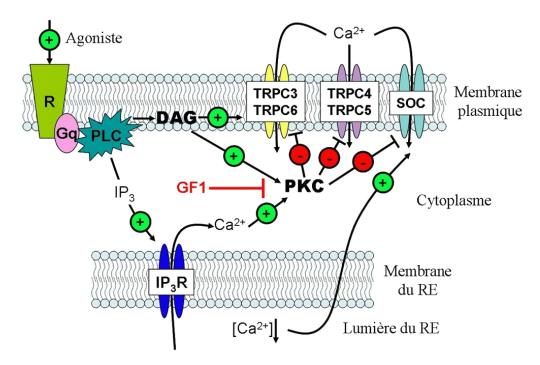
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My background - academic

- BSc biochemistry 2003
- MSc phamacology 2005
- PhD pharmacology 2010





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My first job

Radiosafety officer at Université de Sherbrooke (mat leave)

Then

Biosafety officer at Université de Sherbrooke (sabbatical)





And then Mitacs!

- Joined in December 2012
- As specialist on 1-year contract
- Got renewed/promoted
- Very happy!
- I got the job because
 - PhD
 - OTHER SKILLS!!



Training & employment in life sciences

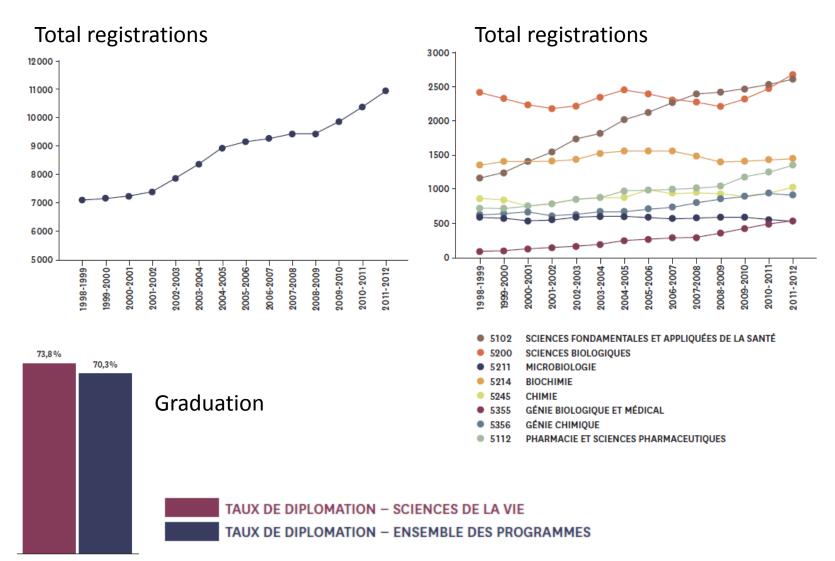
Emploi Québec published a report

(http://www.emploi-metropole.org/publications/CEM Formation-Sciences-vie.pdf)

- For Montreal area
- For major sectors : IT, aerospace & life sciences
 - Drug and pharma products manufacturing
 - Medical devices manufacturing
 - Distributor of pharmaceuticals
 - Research and scientific development
 - Diagnostic analysis and medical labs
 - (chemists, biologists, chem eng., MD, veterinarians, pharmacists, program agents, salespersons, technicians)

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From the report – training offer



FORMATION UNIVERSITAIRE

From the report – training-job ratio

BIOLOGISTES ET AUTRES SCIENTIFIQUES (2121)

DISCIPLINE UNIVERSITAIRE	DÉBUTANTS VISÉS	DÉBUTANTS RÉELS	ÉCART (NOMBRE)	RATIO D'ADÉQUA- TION	DIAGNOSTIC
5214 – Biochimie	7	36	29	515 %	Surplus important
5355 – Génie biologique et biomédical	2	13	11	679 %	s.o.
5102 – Sciences fondamentales et appliquées de la santé	6	31	25	522 %	Surplus important
5211 – Microbiologie	5	28	23	593 %	Surplus important
5200 – Sciences biologiques	21	87	67	423 %	Surplus important
5112 – Pharmacie et sciences pharmaceutiques	2	2	-1	70 %	s.o.
Total universitaire	43	197	155	464 %	Surplus important

AGENTS DE PROGRAMMES, RECHERCHISTES ET EXPERTS-CONSEILS EN POLITIQUES DE LA SANTÉ (4165)

PROGRAMME D'ÉTUDES	DÉBUTANTS VISÉS	DÉBUTANTS RÉELS		RATIO D'ADÉQUA- TION	DIAGNOSTIC
5102 – Sciences fondamentales et appliquées de la santé	19	44	25	234 %	Surplus important

From the report – what does the market want?

Competencies sought for when hiring

- 🛸 Experience
- Project management competencies
- GLP and quality systems
- Technical capabilities (methods, protocols...)
- Knowledge of a subject

From the report – conclusions

- There's a quantitative surplus of university graduate
- The problems in the life sciences job market did not affect the registrations
- There's a risk of brain drain in QC
- There's a demand for specialization
- Growing demand for multidisciplinarians



Why Mitacs?

- National research network
- 15 years in operation
- Over 10,000 research projects
- 60+ academic partners



Mitacs program goals

- Support flexible, consultative research projects
- Attract private sector funding
- Maintain high quality research
- Support all disciplines
- Attract international students to Canada
- Train graduates and postdocs for their careers





Annual snapshot - 2013

















Professional development - Accelerate

- Through experiential training
- Applied R&D projects
- Contact with a company's day-to-day operations

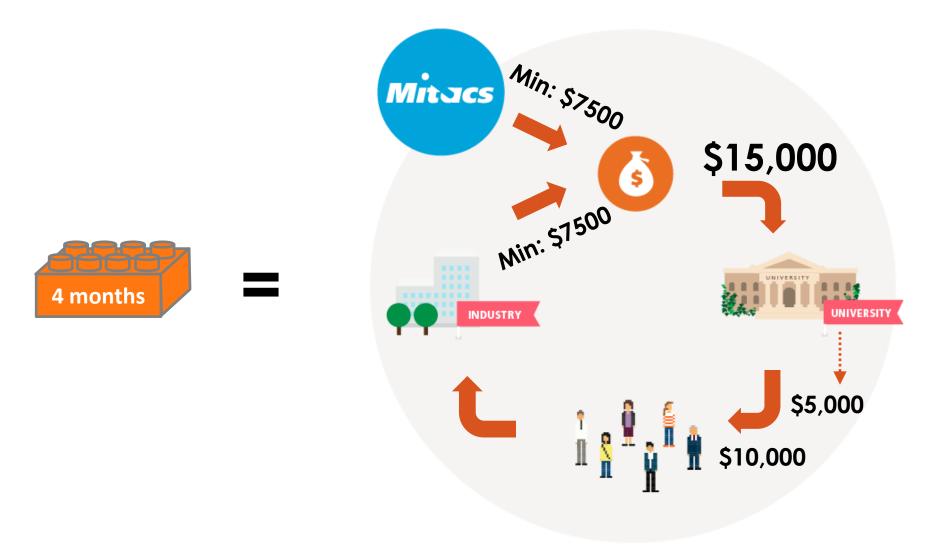


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Mitacs Accelerate Funding cycle



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Past projects in life sciences

For 2013-2014 fiscal year (12 months)

When choosing Biotechnology, Health and related sciences, Life Sciences, Health care and Pharmaceuticals sectors

898 internship segments were submitted (129 in QC, 413 in ON)
686 with industries directly in life sciences sectors

➤Total value of all projects : \$15,522,968 (over \$13.3M to students)

Mitacs Accelerate and Elevate

Past projects in life sciences

Absciex ACCUCAPS Industries Ltd Adept Diagnostics Adiga Life Sciences Advanced Theranostics Airmax environnement inc Allergan Inc Anandia Therapeutics Anatis Bioprotection Inc. Archeoptix Inc Association des employeurs maritimes Atlantic Assisted Reproductive Therapies Axcelon Biopolymers Corp Baxter Corporation Canada BC Cancer Agency **BC** Children's Hospital Bertech Pharma Ltd BEworks BioMark Technologies Inc (Richmond, BC) Bionik Laboratories Inc Bioriginal Food and Science Corp BioVectra Inc Brunel Canada Canada FASD Research Network Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology Cardiome Pharma Corp CellAegis Devices Inc

Center for Drug Research and Development Chelation Partners Inc. Circle Cardiovascular Imaging Inc

CitoxLAB Class 1 Inc. Cryostasis Ltd Curatio Cyclica Inc Eastgate Pharmaceuticals Élisabeth Bruyère Research Institute Endoceutics Exciton Technologies Inc Fenwick Leadership Explorations **Fio Corporation** GE Healthcare (London, ON) GE Healthcare (Milwaukee, WI) Geneyouin GPS to GO Hammock Therapeutics Inc HAS Motion Health Technology Connex Heart Force Medical Inc HP Fitness Huron Technologies International Inc Indanio Bioscience Indel Therapeutics Interaxon inVentiv Health iProgen Kalgene Pharmaceuticals Inc LionsGate Technologies Manjog Enterprises Limited Medtrode

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Professional development - Step

Through workshops

Offered to graduate students and PDF

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Step trains graduate students and postdoctoral fellows in essential interpersonal, project management and entrepreneurial skills required for them to succeed in their future career.





Workshops offered

- Foundations of project management I and II
- Business etiquette
- Networking skills
- Communication skills
- Presentation skills
- Based on a reevaluation of the current literature by OECD, CAGS, american associations
- Interviews with industry stakeholders
- Consultation with Mitacs Research Council



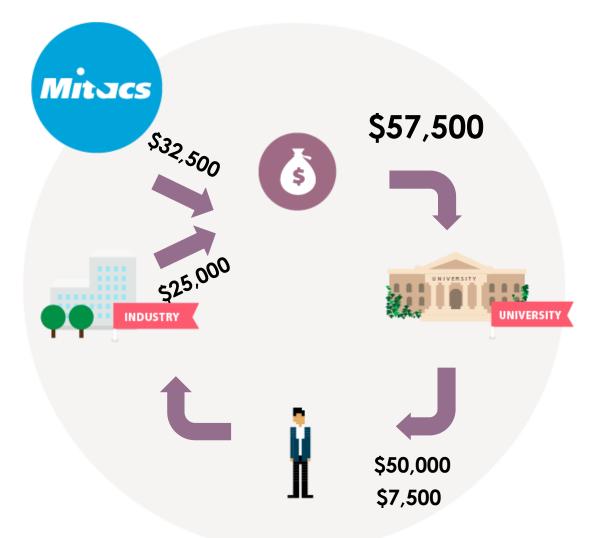
Professional development - Elevate

- Through both experiential and formal training
- Offered to postdoctoral fellows
- Aims at developing the next generation of R&D managers





Mitacs Elevate Annual Funding cycle





Globalink, Converge

Globalink (India, China, Brazil, Mexico, Turkey, Vietnam)

 Research internships : 12 weeks internships offered to top international undergrad

Profs may now submit their projects for summer 2015

- Research awards : up to \$5,000 award for research done with academic international collaborator for 3 to 6 months
- Partnership awards : \$15,000 for a collaborative research project done with international company
- Converge : link MNE with SME and universities
 - Atlas Electronik, Raytheon

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