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Montréal, QC



HQP Travel Support Awards Selection Committee  
Canadian Applied and Industrial Mathematics Society

**RE: Application for HQP Travel Support (Suzan Farhang-Sardroodi)**

Dear Members of the Selection Committee,

I would like to enthusiastically support Dr. Suzan Farhang-Sardroodi's application for an HQP Travel Support Award to attend the 2024 CAIMS Annual Meeting in Kingston, Ontario. Suzan is a former postdoc in my lab at the Sainte-Justine University Hospital Azrieli Research Centre and the Université de Montréal, together with Drs. Stéphanie Portet and Julien Arino at the University of Manitoba. Dr. Farhang-Sardroodi is currently an Associate Research Scientist in the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology, University of Toronto. Her research is focused on mechanistic mathematical models in immuno-oncology, in combination with metabolomics and machine learning approaches.

Suzan is very involved in the CAIMS 2024 meeting. In addition to co-organizing two minisymposia (*Advancing Health and Medicine through Scientific Computing: Mechanistic Modelling, Machine Learning, and Quantitative Systems Pharmacology* and *AI for Enhancing Public Health and Healthcare in Canada*), she will also be giving a talk titled *Leveraging AI for Enhanced Disease Diagnosis: From Viral Infections to Cancer Cachexia*. Travel funding is currently limited for Dr. Farhang-Sardroodi, hence any support for her to attend this year's meeting is greatly appreciated. I therefore strongly support Suzan's Travel Award application. Please do not hesitate to contact me for further details.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Craig'.

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