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ACOA Atlantic Innovation Fund	To increase R&D in Atlantic Canada research facilities and strengthen innovation system by building private and public sector alliances.		X	X	X	X		\$500,000 to \$3 million	Max of 5 years	80%	X		X			Anytime	Click here
ACOA Business Development Plan	Eligible for start-up and expanding businesses, to modernize, develop or commercialize products to improve competitiveness			X	X	X		Up to \$500,000		80%	X		X		X	Anytime	Click here
ACOA Innovation Community Fund	Focuses on projects that build strategic economic development in communities	X		X	X	X					X		X		X	Anytime	Click here
NS Dept. Agriculture Growing Forward 2 Homegrown Success Program	The focus is on innovation, competitiveness and market development to ensure Canadian producers and processors have the tools and resources they need to continue to innovate and capitalize on emerging market opportunities.				X	X	X	Up to \$30,000 per year	Max of 2 years	60%	X	X	X		X	Anytime	Click here
Innovation Science and Economic Development Canada Going Global Innovation	To enhance Canada's innovation efforts (seed \$) through international research collaborative opportunities				X	X		\$5,000 to \$75,000	NA	25%			X	◇			Click here
Innovacorp Early Stage Commercialization Fund	To support novel early stage/proof of concept research that demonstrates commercial potential for NS based institutions		X	X	X	X	X	\$50,000	NA							Round 1 – Sept. Round 2 – Feb.	Click here
Innovacorp - Productivity and Innovation and Voucher Program	Tier I - To assist eligible business companies, namely SMEs to acquire the direct assistance they need to help make their business more innovative and productive	X		X	X	X		Up to \$15,000	Max of 6 months	100%					X	July	Click here
Innovacorp - Productivity and Innovation Voucher Program	Tier II - To build on projects approved for tier I funding.	X		X	X	X		Up to \$25,000	1 year	50%					X	July	Click here
LearnSphere Canada Commercialization Consulting and Mentoring	To support activities in Atlantic Canada that are limited in scope, time-sensitive and focused on providing funding support to hire consulting, mentoring or training services		X	X				\$16,750	6 months	67%	X		X	X	X	Anytime	Click here
Mitacs Accelerate Program	To support a single or team research internships that address a larger single research plan	X						\$15,000		50%			X		X	Anytime	Click here
Mitacs Elevate Program	To support HQP PhD students that excel in their field and can contribute applied research to address a company challenge.	X					X	\$50,000 per year	2 years				X		X	Nov.	Click Here
NRC-IRAP Science and Technology Assistance Program	To support SME driven requests for direct R&D support, faculty may be approached by the OICE to work on a project	X			X	X		\$5,000	3 to 5 days	100%					X	Anytime	Click here
NSERC Collaborative Research and Development Grant	To expand R&D capacity by generating new knowledge or apply existing knowledge in an innovative way through collaboration	X	X	X	X	X	X	\$10,000 to \$100,000 per year	1 to 5 years	50%	X	X	X		X	Anytime	Click here
NSERC Discovery Frontiers	To support a few large international activities or projects that address a company specific-problem	X	X		X	X	X	1 million per year	4 years	50%	X	X	X		X	Mar-LOI May-invite to apply July-applic.	Click here

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NSERC Discovery Grants	To promote and maintain diverse base of HQP in engineering and sciences in Canada	X	X		X		X		Max of 5 years							Aug-LOI Nov-Application	Click here	
NSERC Discovery Accelerator Supplements Program	To provide substantial and timely additional resources to accelerate progress	X	X		X		X	\$120,000	3 years	60%	X						Click here	
NSERC Engage Grant	To develop new partnerships by supporting short-term R&D projects that address a company specific problem			X		X	X	Up to \$25,000	6 months	100%			X		X	Anytime	Click here	
NSERC Engage Plus Grant	Supports a completed Engage Grant project so that the partners can build on progress in the Engage Grant and/or continue the project while seeking longer term funding support		X	X		X		Up to \$12,500 matching company cash	6 months	50%	X		X			Anytime	Click here	
NSERC I2I Idea to Innovation	Market assessment		X	X		X		\$15,000	1 year	75%	X				◇	Jan, Apr, Jul, Sept	Click here	
	Phase I: Reduction to practice		X	X		X		\$125,000	1 year	100%	X		X		◇		Click here	
	Phase I b: Supplement		X	X		X		\$60,000	6 months	100%	X		X		◇		Click here	
	Phase II: Technology enhancement Phase II a: Early-stage investment partner		X	X		X		\$125,000	6 to 18 months	67%	X	X	X		◇		Click here	
	Phase II: Technology enhancement Phase II b: Partners with Canadian company		X	X		X		\$350,000	Max of 2 years	50%	X	X	X		◇		Click here	
NSERC Connect Grant - Level 1	Supports travel costs related to the development of new academic-industry partnerships.			X		X		Up to \$5,000	3 months	75%			X	X		X	Anytime	Click here
NSERC Connect Grant - Level 2	Non-recurring regional activities and events that promote academic-industry partnerships and or provide student training.	X		X	X	X	X	Up to \$10,000	1 year	75%	X	X	X		X	Anytime	Click here	
NSERC Connect Grant – Level 3	Non-recurring national research planning workshops aimed at building substantial multi-disciplinary collaborations between academic and industry.	X		X	X	X		Up to \$25,000	1 year	75%	X	X	X		X	Anytime	Click here	
NSERC Industrial Research Chair	Associated IRC: early stage researchers; Senior IRC: senior researchers; Executive IRC: R&D professionals	X			X	X	X	Up to \$500,000	5 years	50%	X	◇	X	◇	X	Anytime	Click here	
NSERC Experience Awards	To stimulate interest in the fields of science and engineering.	X						\$4,500	12 to 16 weeks	75%			X			Anytime	Click here	
NSERC Strategic Partnership Grant	To increase early stage research and training in targeted areas to enhance Canada's economy, society, and or environment within 10 years		X	X	X	X	X	\$100,000 to \$200,000	1 to 3 years		X	X	X	X	◇	April (preliminary application)	Click here	
RRFB – Business and Academics – R&D	Development of innovative products and services that divert solid waste from landfill	X			X			\$5,000 to \$50,000		50%	X	X			X	Anytime	Click here	
RRFB – Business and Academics – Value Added Manufacturing	Commercializing new products from solid waste resources, develop new waste resource handling processes or new markets for waste resources.	X		X	X					50% (loan, forgivable loan or non-repayable contribution)	X	X			X	Anytime	Click here	
RRFB – Business and Academics – Student Research Grants	Research related to solid waste diversion	X	X		X			\$10,000 (honours) \$17,000 (graduate)			X				X	May, August, November or January	Click here	
Springboard Industry Engagement	Promotes partnership development of effective regional partnerships with industry	X		X		X		\$15,000	1 year	65%	X		X			Anytime	Click here	

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Springboard Market Support	To build and develop a prototype of technology for marketing purposes	X	X	X	X	X		\$5,000	1 year	65%	X					Anytime	Click here
Springboard Proof of Concept	To support early stage technology validation and market connection in Atlantic Canada assigned to an institution		X	X		X		\$20,000	1 year	65%	X					Fall	Click here
Springboard Patent and Legal Fund	To protect IP to attract early stage investment technology transfer in Atlantic Canada.		X	X		X		\$15,000	2 years	65%	X					Fall	Click here
SSHRC Partnership Development Grants	To develop potential or emerging partnerships by supporting R&D and related activities in humanities and social sciences.	X		X	X	X	X	\$75,000 to \$200,000	1 to 3 years		X	X	X	X	X	Nov	Click here
SSHRC Partnership Grants	To support formal research partnerships, knowledge mobilization and best practices through networks, centres and chairs.	X		X	X	X	X	\$500,000 to \$2.5 million	4 to 7 years	67%	X	X	X	X	X	February	Click here
SSHRC Connections Grant	To help assemble larger SSHRC applications	X		X		X		\$7,000 to \$25,000		75%	X	X	X		X	Feb, May, Aug., Dec.	Click here
STDC Tech Fund	SDTC helps commercialize Canadian clean technologies, reading them for growth and export markets.				X	X		\$1 million per year	Max of 5 years	75%	X	X	X	X	X	Sept.	Click here

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