



THE CHALLENGE

While SickKids has a track record of discovery as a global leader in advancing children's health, the road from research to breakthrough is often long and complex; new clinical products and practices typically take 7 to 12 years to get to market. Research dollars are among the hardest funds to raise, especially in paediatric health, which remains consistently underfunded compared to the adult market. Breakthrough FundTM will help us overcome this barrier by generating the critical investments to fast-track promising ideas from the lab bench to the bedside.

THE OPPORTUNITY: VENTURE PHILANTHROPY

A fusion between investing and charity, venture philanthropy is a revolutionary new way of giving back that blends venture capital with doing good.

Breakthrough Fund™ harnesses investor instincts to unleash the potential of SickKids scientific innovation — novel therapeutics, medical devices, and precision therapies — that could radically change the way we treat pressing health challenges.

HOW IT WORKS

Breakthrough Fund™ members commit to contributing \$20,000 per year for five years and collectively decide in which scientific teams and ideas to invest. This seed funding enables researchers to validate and advance their early-stage ideas by proving a therapeutic concept, building a medical device prototype, de-risking the project, and assessing its commercial potential. When an innovation is successfully commercialized, Breakthrough Fund™ returns are cycled back into the fund for re-investment.

WHY SICKKIDS

SickKids is recognized as the number one children's hospital in the world and is Canada's top research hospital, with more than 1,900 scientists and research staff working to make the next big discovery in child health. Few other hospital-based research institutes can match our per-capita research productivity and success rates in securing peer-reviewed funding — meaning there is a steady pipeline of high-calibre research ready to be tested, developed, and assessed for commercial potential.

SickKids researchers are known to advance bold new ideas, and donors like you contribute about a third of research funding — with an excellent return on investment. For example, every dollar invested in SickKids scientists and clinicians attracts an additional \$4 to \$7 in external funding.

YOUR IMPACT

As a Breakthrough Fund™ member, you will play a vital role in advancing world-changing discoveries today and helping to develop the tools, treatments, and therapies of tomorrow.

RECENT SUCCESSES

Breakthrough Fund™ support has been used to commercialize

Dr. Cynthia Hawkins' liquid biopsy for paediatric brain tumour patients, move

Dr. Maryse Bouchard's paediatric orthopaedic device to treat clubfoot towards

commercialization, and help Dr. Xi Huang seek investments for his designer

peptide used to target glioblastoma, a deadly brain cancer.

BREAKTHROUGH FUND™ MEMBER EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS*

Gift of \$20,000 per year for five years (\$100,000 investment)

- Get insider access about the most commercially promising innovations at SickKids
- Engage with scientists and vote to fund early-stage research with the potential to transform lives in Canada and globally
- Receive an annual investor report to track each project's progress from proof-of-concept to commercialization
- Network with like-minded individuals who have an interest in bringing life-changing innovations to market, including leaders in the venture capital community
- Annual lab tour for selected projects
- Naming recognition in our Annual Report and on our Donor Wall
- Naming recognition on a lab bench in the SickKids Research Institute
- Receive a tax receipt for your donation

KEY PROGRAM STATS



31 MEMBERS



\$2.8M IN COMMITMENTS



12 PROJECTS FUNDED TO DATE

JOIN US

Help us get the next big ideas to market and fuel life-changing breakthroughs in paediatric medicine. Together, we can overcome the toughest child-health challenges and unleash the potential of innovation for all our patients to heal the future.

For more information about this opportunity, please contact:

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THE ROAD TO MARKET

Proof of Principle

Early Stage

Business Development

Commercialization



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