The CUASF Administrative and Scientific Councils have been working with the CUASF Executive to update our strategic plan. The previous plan from 2015 centered on five areas of focus:

**Community urologists:** Identify and define supports required for community urologists and the funding structure.
- Funds were allocated from CUA to support continuing education, including a significant grant from CUA-Tolmar of $100,000.

**Research awards:** Examine and define/redefine the amount of funding, timeframe, target audience, criteria, and followup for the research awards.
- Career Development Grant put on HOLD.
- Increase in the amounts for Early-Career Grants.

**Partnerships:** Support and enhance urological research through strategic partnerships and collaboration.
- Partnerships with Bladder Cancer Canada, Kidney Cancer Canada, SIU, and Canadian Men’s Sexual Health are ongoing, with additional CUA affiliates considering co-funded grants.

**Promotion and knowledge exchange:** Support effective promotion of CUASF and dissemination of research supported through the CUASF to various audiences.
- New website, new look – visit cuasf.org.
- Promotion on all social media channels.

**Mentorship:** Develop a mentorship support plan
- After much discussion, the CUASF has launched its mentorship program.
- Mentors and mentees have been paired based on subspecialties, and CUA has facilitated virtual meetings to further support this program.

In April, the CUASF Executive will meet to finalize the new strategic plan, which we hope will continue to build on the previous plan’s success.

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**CUASF 2021 Winners**

**CUASF Early Investigator Research Scholarship Grant**
5 GRANTS of $50,000
Total of $250,000 awarded

- **Adam Kinnaird, University of Alberta**
  Assessing 18F-PSMA-1007 positron emission tomography and magnetic resonance imaging in the primary staging of prostate cancer

- **Jeffrey Campbell, Western University**
  The evolving role of botulinum neurotoxin as a treatment for erectile dysfunction

- **R. Christopher Doiron, Queen’s University**
  A randomized pilot study of a novel group-based pelvic floor physiotherapy intervention versus individualized pelvic floor physiotherapy in female interstitial cystitis/bladder pain syndrome patients

- **Andrea Kokorovic, University of Montreal**
  Evaluation and improvement of sexual function outcomes in Canadian women with bladder cancer

- **Thomas Skinner, Dalhousie University**
  Clinical trial of a novel renal cooling device designed to eliminate warm ischemia during kidney transplantation surgery

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**CUASF - CMSHC Grant**
GRANT of $50,000

**Luke Witherspoon, University Of British Columbia**
Peyronie’s disease affects 11-15% of men worldwide, with the potential for severe negative effects on sexual function and mental health.