

Score	Emerging Scholar Awards Applicant Rating Scale	Priority for funding
4.7-5.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceptional candidate who has the strongest commitment to cancer research and is extremely likely to become a leader in cancer research in Canada and internationally. • Exceptional research productivity and track record in obtaining research grant funding relative to career stage • Exceptional progress towards research independence • Exceptional academic, research and/or clinical training and experience • Exceptional contributions made to date to their scientific discipline and potential impact of future contributions based on track record • Exceptional track record in mentorship and/or potential to attract high quality personnel • Exceptional track record in obtaining fellowships, honours and/or awards • Strongest commitment and exceptional support from the host institution relative to availability of resources • Exceptional mentorship available to the applicant • Very minor or no weaknesses identified 	Highest
4.3-4.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent candidate who has a strong commitment to cancer research and is likely to become a leader in cancer research in Canada and internationally. • Excellent research productivity and track record in obtaining research grant funding relative to career stage • Excellent progress towards research independence • Excellent academic, research and/or clinical training and experience • Excellent contributions made to date to their scientific discipline and potential impact of future contributions based on track record • Excellent track record in mentorship and/or potential to attract high quality personnel • Excellent track record in obtaining fellowships, honours and/or awards • Strong commitment and excellent support from the host institution relative to availability of resources • Excellent mentorship available to the applicant • At least one minor weakness identified 	Very High
3.9-4.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very good candidate who has a solid commitment to cancer research and has the potential to become a leader in cancer research in Canada and internationally. • Very good research productivity and track record in obtaining research grant funding relative to career stage • Very good progress towards research independence • Very good academic, research and/or clinical training and experience • Very good contributions made to date to their scientific discipline and potential impact of future contributions based on track record • Very good track record in mentorship and/or potential to attract high quality personnel • Very good track record in obtaining fellowships, honours and/or awards • Solid commitment and very good support from the host institution relative to availability of resources • Very good mentorship available to the applicant • Some minor weaknesses identified 	Medium-High
3.5-3.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good candidate who has moderate commitment to cancer research and has some potential to become a leader in cancer research in Canada and internationally. • Good research productivity and track record in obtaining research grant funding relative to career stage • Good progress towards research independence • Good academic, research and/or clinical training and experience • Good contributions made to date to their scientific discipline and potential impact of future contributions based on track record • Good track record in mentorship and/or potential to attract high quality personnel • Good track record in obtaining fellowships, honours and/or awards 	Medium-Low



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderate commitment and good support from the host institution relative to availability of resources • Good mentorship available to the applicant • At least one moderate weakness 	
3.0-3.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fair candidate who has marginal commitment to cancer research and has limited potential to become a leader in cancer research in Canada. • Fair research productivity and track record in obtaining research grant funding relative to career stage • Fair progress towards research independence • Fair academic, research and/or clinical training and experience • Fair contributions made to date to their scientific discipline and limited potential impact of future contributions based on track record • Fair track record in mentorship and/or potential to attract high quality personnel • Fair track record in obtaining fellowships, honours and/or awards • Marginal commitment and fair support from the host institution relative to availability of resources • Inadequate mentorship available to the applicant • Numerous moderate weaknesses 	Low
Below 3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poor candidate who has inadequate commitment to cancer research and has low potential to become a leader in cancer research in Canada. • Poor research productivity and track record in obtaining research grant funding relative to career stage • Poor progress towards research independence • Poor academic, research and/or clinical training and experience • Poor contributions made to date to their scientific discipline and low potential to yield impactful contributions in the future based on track record • Poor track record in mentorship and/or potential to attract high quality personnel • Poor track record in obtaining fellowships, honours and/or awards • Inadequate commitment and lack of support from the host institution • Lack of mentorship available to the applicant • At least one major weakness 	Lowest
Unscored (mark as 0.01)	The application was triaged by the panel and not discussed. The weaknesses far outweigh the strengths and therefore there is low expectation of impact in the field of cancer	None