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<p>2005 Wins the Peter Lougheed/CIHR New Investigator Award</p> <p>2002 Wins major scholarship, opening the door to postdoctoral work at Stanford University in California</p> <p>1995-2001 Studies medicine at McGill University</p> <p>1982 With encouragement from his godfather, dismantles family stereo, learning logic</p>	<p>2006 Has asteroid named after him, <i>Minor Planet (21712) Obaid</i></p> <p>2005 Team Canada member at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair</p> <p>2004-2005 Leading scorer in Montreal-area college soccer league</p> <p>2000 Obtains a black belt in Taekwondo</p>
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Who was your first mentor? Will you be someone's mentor?

CIHR wants you to become a role model and mentor for high-school students interested in health research. Join CIHR's youth outreach initiative, known as Synapse – CIHR Youth Connection.

Synapse is a meeting place, a junction that brings together young Canadians with health researchers.

CIHR's Synapse program helps match Canadian health researchers who want to talk to young people about science and technology with science literacy organizations skilled at reaching high-school students. Synapse partners include Let's Talk Science, ACTUA and Youth Science Foundation Canada.

Mentors help

- spark the interest and enjoyment of health research, science and technology for young people;
- give young people of all backgrounds the chance to imagine themselves as health researchers, scientists or engineers;
- provide young Canadians with a positive and supportive learning environment, helping them set long-term career goals and short-term learning objectives; and
- make health research part of everyday life.

If you're interested in joining the program or would like more information, please e-mail synapse@cihr.gc.ca or call us at 613-952-9709. You can also learn more online at www.synapse.cihr.gc.ca.

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