Canadian Academy of Health Sciences

Congratulations to Dr. Keith Yeates, PhD, inducted into the prestigious Canadian Academy of Health Sciences. It is one of the highest honours within Canada’s academic community to become a Fellow. A world-leading researcher in the field of pediatric traumatic brain injury (TBI), Yeates is the most published author on childhood TBI and concussion in the world over the past decade. Through outstanding mentorship and leadership nationally and internationally, he has advanced the science and practice of neuropsychology, and helped to improve outcomes for children and families dealing with the challenge of TBI. Yeates leads the Integrated Concussion Research Program at the university, supported by community donations through the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation.

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COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Kids Cancer Care Foundation Biostorage Facility

September 25 was an important day for childhood cancer research at the University of Calgary. The Kids Cancer Care Foundation (KCC) Biostorage Facility was unveiled by KCC Chairman Bob Yarish, CEO Christine McIver and clinician investigator Dr. Jennifer Chan, MD. Chan holds the KCC Foundation Chair in Pediatric Oncology. (photo courtesy KCC)

Thanks to community support for making this facility possible.

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TRAINEEs

ACHRI Training Support

ACHRI has completed the awarding of its postdoctoral fellowships, graduate scholarships and small research grants for 2019-20. Congratulations to all the awardees! We are pleased to announce that Dr. Erin Hetherington, PhD, supervised by Dr. Amy Metcalfe, PhD, and Dr. Tareq Hossan, PhD, supervised by Dr. Derrick Rancourt, PhD, received this year's ACHRI Fellowships. Hossan will be arriving in January. Hetherington, a former Vanier Scholarship recipient, is researching women's and children's health among immigrants and refugees. We'll be profiling these fellowship recipients as well as the 15 ACHRI graduate scholarship awardees in the upcoming newsletters.
For more information on our trainee opportunities and events, visit our website.

NOVEMBER 6 - Gairdner Symposium

Child Health and Wellness – A Precision Health Approach

Precision Health attempts to understand individuals and populations at a level that goes beyond a one-size-fits-all approach, using all available data – clinical, biological, environmental – in an integrated manner. This approach to healthcare and research is transforming how we understand, diagnose and treat immune-mediated disorders, cancers, and rare diseases, to name a few.

On Wednesday, November 6, celebrate the accomplishments of those who are paving the way for a Precision Health approach to Child Health and Wellness at the prestigious 2019 Gairdner International Symposium, hosted by the Alberta Children’s Hospital Research Institute. Everyone is welcome. Register

You and your DNA

A little saliva is all it takes to unravel the mystery of your past and your future. Direct-to-consumer DNA services — such as 23andMe — have made genetic testing increasingly easy to do. Just send a spit sample and you can discover more about your ancestry or catch a glimpse of potentially adverse health conditions that may be hidden in your genetic makeup. Do the results make way for personalized medicine? Or, do they lead to undue stress, misguided health changes and privacy concerns. It begs the question: is unleashing your DNA details worth it?

Dr. Francois Bernier, MD, FRCP(C), FCCM(G)
Head and Professor
Department of Medical Genetics, University of Calgary
Director, Clinical Genetics Unite, Alberta Children’s Hospital

Join us at Studio Belle on Tuesday, November 5th from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm for an intriguing conversation with Dr. Bernier, about the allure and risks of direct-to-consumer genetic testing. Register

ACHRI Funding Opportunities

ACHRI is inviting proposals for the following research awards:

- Dawson Jarock Research Program in Pediatric Nephrology and Rheumatology
  The Award is to support clinical research - up to $71,000 over three years
- The André Tertzakian Research & Education Award in Paediatric Nephrology
  The Award will be used to support clinical research or education that will significantly advance paediatric nephrology - up to $147,000 over three years

Deadline is October 15. Applications and more information here.

Canadian Child Health Clinician Scientist Program (CCHCSP)

Certificate Eligible Sessions
Partnered with ACHRI, the Canadian Child Health Clinician Scientist Program (CCHCSP) is excited to offer a series of CCHCSP Certificate-eligible sessions in Calgary. All are welcome, including trainees of any level, discipline and faculty.

Research Database
Tuesday, October 8, 2019
12:00pm - 1:30pm
Alberta Children's Hospital Conference Room 3, 4th Floor
Speaker: Dr. Amy Metcalfe

Knowledge Translation
Tuesday, November 12, 2019
12:00pm - 1:30pm
Alberta Children's Hospital Conference Room 4, 4th Floor
Speaker: Dr. Kelly Mrklas

Regression Methods
Tuesday, December 10, 2019
12:00pm - 1:30pm
Alberta Children's Hospital Conference Room 3, 4th Floor
Speaker: Dr. Alberto Nettel-Aguirre

For more information or to register for any of the above sessions, please contact Janet.Wu@ahs.ca And please save the date for the CCHCSP 18th Annual Symposium on May 20-22, 2019.

ACHRI RESEARCH RETREAT
Thursday, December 12 & Friday, December 13
We are inviting all members and trainees to the Banff Centre for the inaugural ACHRI Research Retreat. It is designed to bring ACHRI researchers together, spark collaboration, and showcase global leaders in child health. The retreat will feature keynote speakers, trainee talks, and poster sessions. Please hold this date in your calendar.
Registration will open shortly. Program overview

GRAND ROUNDS, CONFERENCES and LECTURES

Developmental Neurosciences Grand Rounds (8:30 am-9:30 am ACH Auditorium)
September 30: Dr. Tamara Vanderwal, MD - Movies as an acquisition state for developmental neuroimaging
October 7: Dr. Sheri Madigan, PhD, R.Psych - Screen Use in Young Children: Benefits, Consequences, and Cautions
October 28: Dr. Kim M. Cecil, PhD - Do Ubiquitous Exposures from Environmental Chemicals Impact Neurodevelopment?

Child Health Grand Rounds (8:30 am - 9:30 am ACH Conference Room 3)
October 3: Sarah Ahira, BSc - Research Ethics Overview
October 10: Dr. Veronica de la Rosa, JD, LLM, PhD - Bringing speed to the legal review of your research agreements
October 17: Dr. Hilary Brown, PhD - Maternal and neonatal outcomes among women with disabilities: Findings from a population-based study in Ontario

Owerko Neurodevelopmental Research Rounds (12:00 pm -1:00 pm Green Room, CDC, 3rd floor)
October 2: Dr. Alex Medina, MD - Advancements in therapeutics for Tourette Syndrome

CONFERENCES & LECTURES

SEATS STILL AVAILABLE Thursday, October 3 - Owerko Family Lecture:
"The Continuing ADHD Explosion - and the Continuing Stigmatization of Mental Disorders: A Synthesis"
Dr. Stephen Hinshaw, PhD, UC Berkley
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Theatre 4, Health Sciences Centre
Register

Tuesday, October 8 - Families in Canada Conference
Winnipeg's Markin MacPhail Centre
Hosted by the Werkland School and supported by the Vanier Institute of the Family and ACHRI
Register

Friday, October 11 - N3 Day 2019 Non-Invasive Neurostimulation: Mental Health and Beyond
Keynote speaker: Dr. Jeff Daskalakis (DCNS Grand Rounds)
9:00 am - 3:15 pm
ACH Auditorium
Register

Wednesday, October 16 - CSM and ACHRI "Science in the Cinema" Presents Wonder
Keynote Speakers: Dr. Adam McCrimmon, PhD and Dr. Kelly Dean Schwartz, PhD
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Free and open to everyone
Plaza Theatre, Calgary

Tuesday, November 5 - The Gairdner Foundation and ACHRI present a Public Talk
You and your DNA
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Studio Bell, Home of the National Music Centre
Speaker: Dr. Francois Bernier Head and Professor, Department of Medical Genetics
Register

Wednesday, November 6 - 2019 Gairdner Symposium
Child Health and Wellness: A Precision Health Approach
Libin Theatre and HRIC Atrium, Health Sciences Centre
Register

Wednesday, November 6 - 4th Annual Global Child Health Conference
Alberta Children's Hospital Auditorium
Register

Thursday, December 12 & Friday, December 13 - ACHRI Research Retreat
Banff Centre of the Arts
Registration opening soon

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