From the Dean, Cumming School of Medicine:

Students, trainees, faculty and staff,
In consultation with Alberta Health, we’ve been able to confirm that CSM employees whose duties involve direct in-person patient contact, or work in a medical laboratory that processes human samples, qualify for the COVID vaccination under Phase 2C. If you meet the criteria, an employer letter can be provided to you. Employees and post-doctoral fellows can direct any questions about the letter to sabine.moritz@ucalgary.ca. Graduate students can direct any questions to catherine.peretu@ucalgary.ca.

STRIKING IMAGE EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to the winners in the ACHRI category in the Striking Image Competition 2021. This year the theme was promoting images friendly to colour blind scientists. The images were obtained from a variety of microscopes at ACHRI.
Dr. Mohammadreza Aghanoori, PhD, in Dr. Guang Yang's lab — GOLD
Pattern of connected ganglia in the outer layer of intestine called myenteric plexus taken with the Olympus FV3000 confocal microscope.

Dr. Marta Marchini, PhD, in Dr. Benedikt Hallgrimsson's lab — SILVER
In situ hybridization and immunofluorescence in whole mouse embryo acquired with the Lightsheet Z1 ZEISS and rendered in Arivis software.

Jasper Greysson-Wong, PhD candidate, in Dr. Sarah Childs' lab — BRONZE
The anterior of the developing zebrafish showing the eye and the development of blood vessels taken with the confocal microscope ZEISS LSM880 in HM222.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Leading research in compassion, spirituality and health
Dr. Shane Sinclair, PhD, of ACHRI, the Faculty of Nursing and Cumming School of Medicine, is the youngest-ever recipient of the Canadian Association of Spiritual Care Lifetime Achievement Award. Sinclair has had an extraordinary 20-year career as a spiritual health practitioner, educator, researcher and advocate and is seen as one of the world’s most respected researchers in compassion, spirituality and health.

“It is a huge honour and incredibly humbling to receive the Lifetime Achievement award from the Canadian Association for Spiritual Care at this stage of my career both as a certified spiritual health practitioner and as an academic conducting research,” says Sinclair.

Congratulations! Read more

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

OADR Grant Development Office Webinar
Dr. Nowell Fine, Clinical Director, Libin Cardiovascular Institute
Finding research success as a clinician-researcher
Friday, April 30
1 pm – 2:30 pm
Features a panel discussion on grant development challenges and opportunities for
Azrieli Science Grants Program
Neuroimmune System and Brain Development research opportunity
Letter of intent - May 14
More information
Contact Marian Zlomislic, Office of Advancement, if you plan to apply:
mrzlomis@ucalgary.ca

Pediatric Health Outcomes Research Program
This program aims to improve our understanding of the impact of changes in care delivery on children’s health outcomes. WCHRI and ACHRI are partnering to support this research and the development of provincial partnerships.
Deadline - June 15
More information

TRAINEE OPPORTUNITIES

ACHRI Step Funding
ACHRI Graduate Scholarships and Postdoctoral Fellowships
A reminder for trainees to apply for the spring 2021 competition to support ACHRI members' and trainees' child, health and wellness research.
Deadline - May 3

Small Research Grants
Deadline May 17
For all of the above, please apply here

We invite all new trainees to register with ACHRI to be able to access funding opportunities, training activities and events through ACHRI STEP.

EVENTS AND SEMINARS

Child Health and Wellness Seminars
Mondays 8:30 - 9:30 am

April 26
Dr. Michelle Bailey, MD, FRCP
Sumedh Bele, PhD candidate
*Building TRaC-K: Telehealth Rounding and Consultation for Kids: Creation and Evaluation of an Innovative Telehealth Model for Inpatient Pediatric Care in Alberta*
Register

May 3
Dr. Carolyn Emery, PT, PhD
*SHRed Concussions: Targets for the Prevention of Concussions and their Consequences in Youth Sport*
Register
Special Child Health and Wellness Seminar
Thursday, April 29
11 am – 12 pm
Dr. Bruce Carleton, PharmD, FCP, FISPE, BC Children’s Hospital Research Institute
Pharmacogenomic Research to Solve Drug-Induced Harm in Pediatric Patients with Cancer
Register

Maternal & Child Health Program Trainee Seminar Series
Monday, April 26
Noon to 1 pm
Taylor Scheidl, MSc student presenting overview of series
Register

Health Research Platform Strategy Lunch & Learn
Monday, April 26
Noon to 1 pm
Kim Kordov, Associate Director Research Ethics, University of Alberta
Joan Fennell, Manager, Research Ethics & Compliance, University of Calgary
Research Ethics Board Exchange - Uof A/UCalgary multi-site process
Register

ATTACH™ Webinar Series
Friday, April 30
Noon - 1 pm
Drs. Katie Birnie, Sarah Merrill, Kharah Ross
Measuring the Immune System: Blood sample collection strategies and gene expression and epigenetic biomarkers
Register

Mathison Centre & Public Library
Monday, May 03
6 pm
Drs. Gerry Giesbrecht and Anna MacKinnon
Moms’ Mental Health: Pregnancy, Pandemic, and Beyond
Register

CIHR Virtual Learning Series
Tuesday, May 4
9:30 am - Noon
Impact of COVID-19 on Women’s Health and Substance Abuse
Register

Owerko Centre Neurodevelopmental Clinical Rounds
Wednesday, May 5
Noon to 1 pm
Dr. Ashley Ware, PhD
Connecting The Dots: White Matter Microstructural Changes in Pediatric Mild
9th Annual Dr. Harvey B. Sarnat Lectureship in Developmental Neuroanatomy and Neuropathology
Monday, May 17
8:30 - 9:30 am
Dr. Christopher Dunham, MD, FRCPC, BC Children’s Hospital & Clinical Associate Professor, UBC
*The Sonic Hedgehog Pathway in Neuroembryology and Neuropathology*
Register

2021 Mini-Symposium on Paediatric Neural Tumours
Tuesday, May 18
8 am - 12 pm
Dr. Christopher Dunham, BC Children’s Hospital
Dr. Lucie Lafay-Cousins, Paediatric Oncologist, ACH
Dr. Walter Hader, Head of Neurosurgery, ACH
Dr. Harvey Sarnat, Paediatric Neurologist, Neuropathologist, ACH
Register

Owerko Centre Conference
Wednesday, June 9
9 am - 3:45 pm
*In the Beginning: How Early Experiences and Exposures Saves Lives*
Dr. Joanne Weinberg, PhD, University of British Columbia
Dr. Michael Kobor, PhD, University of British Columbia
*Trainee abstracts for 3-minute flash talk due April 30*
View program and Register

For all events visit the ACHRI calendar

---

Key resources  Covid-19 Information for Department of Pediatrics Research Operations | Updated Isolation Guidance | Procedure for sick students | Procedure for sick employees | Dashboard of cases on campus