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### ONE CHILD EVERY CHILD POSTDOCTORAL FUTURE LEADERS AWARDS

These awards support transdisciplinary research in Child Health and Wellness. Postdocs from all faculties are invited to apply. Application deadline is May 11. [Learn more](#)

### CANADIAN RARE DISEASE NETWORK NEWS



### CRDN 2025-2026 Community Report: From Strategy to Action

From engaging in national policy discussions to hosting their first Canadian Rare Disease Innovation Showcase and contributing to ERDERA, CRDN continues to connect patients, researchers, clinicians, and partners. This report shares key achievements and reflects collective efforts toward a more coordinated future for rare disease research and support. CRDN is enabled by One Child Every Child.

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## CRDN Editorial Series in Open Access Government

In this first article of a new four-part editorial series, CRDN explores how a genomics-informed learning health system could transform rare disease diagnosis across Canada.

[Read \*Rethinking rare disease diagnosis in Canada\*](#)

## EVENTS

### UofA Indigenous Child Health Symposium

#### ***Our Children are Sacred: Weaving Culture, Community, and Clinical Care***

Drs. Ryan Giroux and Tanelle Smith

Tuesday, April 21: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

River Cree Resort & Casino

[Register](#)

### OCEC Healing the Soul Wound Reading Circle

Tuesday, April 14: 3:00 - 4:00 pm

In-person (HMRB 293/A) OR Zoom

Please come as you are, and join the OCEC Indigenous Accelerator for a thought-provoking discussion of Eduardo Duran's seminal work.

[Book Register](#)

### OCEC Equitable Pathways & GenAI: Expert Panel

Panelists: Drs. Sarah Elaine Eaton, Laleh Behjat and Jessalyn Holodinsky & Nadia Delany

Chaired by Dr. Malinda Smith

Thursday, April 16: 2:00 - 4:00 pm

EDC 179, Main Campus

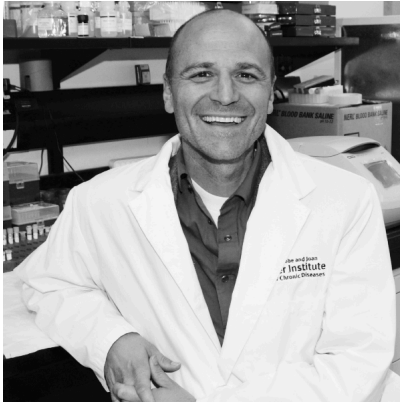
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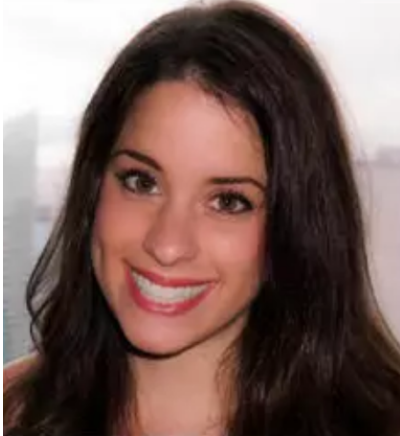


## NEW MEMBERS



**Dr. Nathan Peters** joins the Precision Medicine and Disease Mechanisms Program. The Peters lab is focused on the immunology of chronic infectious diseases, with a special emphasis on vector transmitted diseases.

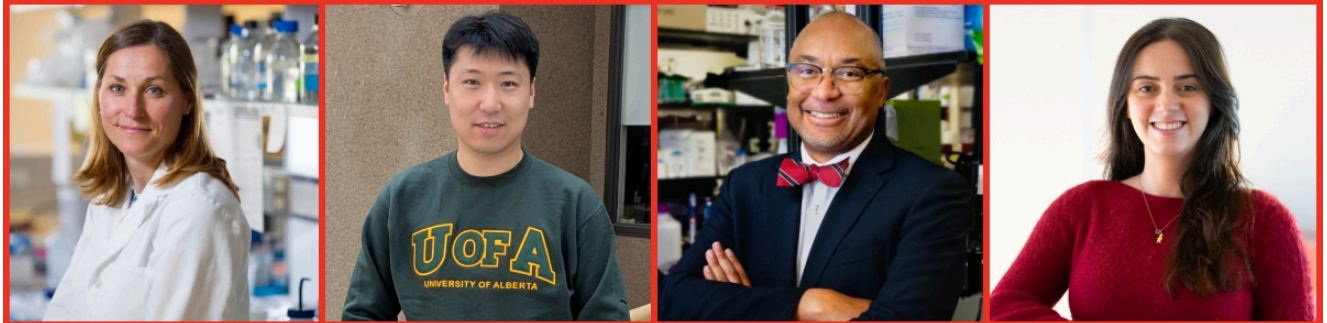
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**Dr. Kristine Woodward** is joining the Child Brain and Mental Health Program. Dr. Woodward's research focuses on the improvement of prognostication for pediatric patients with complex neurological disease by better understanding their neurodevelopmental trajectories.

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#### PFUN AWARDEES



We are thrilled to announce the awardees of the **Hotchkiss Brain Institute Pilot Research Fund Program (PFUN)** in partnership with ACHRI. Congratulations to:

- **Drs. Jane Shearer, Yongbo She and Morris Scantlebury** for their project *Microbiome-Immune Interactions Underlying Febrile Seizure Risk*
- **Dr. Rachel De Barros Oliveira** – a postdoc supervised by Dr. Nicole Letourneau, for her project *Neural & Epigenetic Mechanisms of the ATTACH™ Parenting Intervention: A Pilot RCT in Trauma Exposed Families*

#### NEWS

- **Young cancer patients set Canada's top research priorities**, Dr. Perri Tutelman
- **Not just boys: The overlooked story of ADHD in women and girls**, Dr. Emma Climie

#### PUBLICATIONS

- **Maternal and child mental health and incident migraine in adolescence: An “All Our Families” prospective cohort study**, Drs. Melanie Noel, Tamara Pringsheim, Scott Patten, Sheri Madigan, Sheila McDonald, Paul E. Ronksley, Suzanne Tough and Serena Orr
- **Neurodevelopmental impairment in preterm infants following progressive post-hemorrhagic ventricular dilatation**, Drs. Khorshid Mohammad, Jay Riva-Cambrin and Lara Leijser
- **Real-World Cost-Effectiveness of a Standardized Education and Exercise Therapy Program for Hip and Knee Osteoarthritis Compared to Usual Care**, Dr. Deborah Marshall
- **Evaluating a National Training Program for Health Services and Policy Research: Building Capacity for Learning Health Systems**, Drs. Elizabeth Oddone Paolucci and Deborah Marshall

## RESEARCHER OPPORTUNITIES

### **SickKids Foundation 2026 New Investigator Research Grant**

RSO internal deadline: Wednesday, April 15 at noon

### **Genome Canada: 2026 National Genomic Applications Partnership Program (N-GAPP)**

LOI Deadline: Monday, April 20 at 9:00 am

### **Team Grant: Healthy Youth**

Registration due via CIHR ResearchNet: Tuesday, April 28 at 6:00 pm

### **CIHR Other: One Health Antimicrobial Resistance Research Network (2026)**

RSO Final Internal Review Deadline: Tuesday, June 16 at noon

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To search for other research funding opportunities, visit [UCalgary's Research Opportunities Database](#).

## TRAINEES & POSTDOCS

### **ACHRITA Research In Progress Seminar**

Thursday, April 16: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Questions? Email [achrita@ucalgary.ca](mailto:achrita@ucalgary.ca)

### **CSM Video Science Communication Badge**

This badge, open to grad students and postdocs, focuses on video communication. Participants will develop the skills needed to produce their very own short film. The badge includes 6 two-hour sessions, beginning on April 29 and running every Wednesday from 10 am to 12 pm until June 10, 2026.

Register

[Learn more](#)

## Mathison Trainee Travel Award 2026

Applications now open

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For details on ACHRI and OCEC trainee awards, please visit our [Trainee Funding page](#).

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**ACHRI/OCEC supervisors:** Please encourage your trainees to [register](#) to receive the newsletter, updates and access to funding and workshops.

### EVENTS AND SEMINARS

#### **Dr. Harvey B. Sarnat Lectureship and Mini-Symposium *in Developmental Neuroanatomy And Neuropathology***

Keynote: Dr. Joseph Gleeson

More Speakers: Kaylan Burns & Drs. Ala'a Alsayed and Stanley Neufeld

Tuesday, April 14: 8:00 - 11:30 am

[Register](#)

#### **Developmental Genetics Research-In-Progress Seminar**

Ahelee Noor (Peng Huang lab) & Farzaneh Nobakht (Guang Yang lab)

Wednesday, April 15: 1:00 – 2:00 pm

HSC G500

#### **Azrieli Accelerator Engaged Research Discussion Series**

##### ***Language Does Matter (Part 2)***

Rachel Martens and Dr. Carly McMorris

Thursday, April 16: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

[Register](#)

#### **Palix Foundation - Alberta Family Wellness Initiative**

##### ***Resilience Scale Masterclass***

Friday, April 17: 9:00 - 11:30 am

[Register](#)

#### **UCalgary Indigenous Voices in Academia**

##### ***Perspectives on Medicine, Health, Wellness, and Systems of Care***

April 17: 1:00 - 8:00 pm

Indigenous Artisans: 1:00 PM - 5:00 pm (drop in), Main Event + Dinner: 4:30 - 8:00 pm (must register)

Azrieli Atrium

[Learn more](#)

#### **Child Health and Wellness Seminar**

**One Child Every Child Better Beginnings Theme**

***From Womb to World: Evidence for Nutrition as a Key Determinant of Mental Wellbeing for Both Mother and Child***

Offered in partnership with the Women & Children's Health Research Institute

Speaker: Dr. Julia Rucklidge, PhD

Host: Dr. Padma Kaul, PhD

Monday, April 20: 8:30 - 9:30 am

[Register](#)

**Female, Woman, and Girl Athlete Health and Safety**

**Community of Research and Practice**

**Monthly Virtual Seminar Series**

***A Focus on Parasport***

Wednesday, April 22: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

[Register](#)

**CSM Research Day 2026**

Tuesday, May 5: 9:00 am - 2:45 pm

Foothills Campus

Abstract deadline: April 14 at 11:59 pm

[Learn more](#)

**Owerko Centre Neurodevelopmental Clinical Research Rounds**

***Everyone should know about their period. Period!***

Dr. Laura St. John

Wednesday, May 6: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

[Register](#)

**Calgary Reads Big Book Sale**

May 8 - 17

Calgary Curling Club

[Learn more](#)

**4th Heritable Aortic Diseases Symposium**

May 22 - 23

UBC Robson Square, Vancouver

[Register](#)

**2026 Scientific Meeting of the Canadian DOHaD Society**

June 2 - 3

Western University

[Register by April 15](#)

**Owerko Centre Conference**

Tuesday, June 9

More details to come

## **SAVE THE DATE: RBC Race for the Kids**

The RBC Race for the Kids returns to Heritage Park this September 13th in support of child and youth mental health. Registration opens May 4!

[Learn more](#)

## **2026 Pathways to Prevention Symposium: Reuniting for Global Impact**

Speakers: Drs. Bruce Perry, Marc Brackett and John Stuart Ablon

October 27 – 29

Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel

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For all events, visit the [ACHRI calendar](#).

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