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Next edition - Retreat Special
The next ACHRI Newsletter will be produced mid-December and feature highlights from the ACHRI Research Retreat. Following the holidays, the newsletter will resume in 2020 with a fresh look. Thank you for all your submissions throughout 2019! Please continue sending your news, publications, grant notices and trainee successes!

ACHRI RESEARCH RETREAT

December 12 and December 13!
We are now just days away from our first-ever ACHRI Research Retreat at the Banff Centre! We have 300 members and trainees attending. What a fantastic response! Our retreat begins at the Max Bell Building with the Child Health and Wellness strategy first on the agenda – followed by superb keynote speakers, trainee talks and posters, an AGM and a fabulous evening social. See you there!
Read more: program, sessions and talks

TRAINEE HIGHLIGHTS

Award for Outstanding Research
Mikayla Fan is a Biomedical Sciences student and Chancellor’s Club Scholar in Dr. Chad Bousman’s lab. Fan has published her most recent research findings in the journal Molecular Neuropsychiatry. The research team found that up to one-third of Americans and Canadian treated for depression could benefit from CYP2C19 and CYP2D6 genetic testing. Fan’s research has won her a Research in Mental Health and Wellbeing Award from the Undergraduate Research Symposium Working Group at UCalgary. Congratulations!

Research-In-Progress Presentations
Faizan Malik, a Master’s of neuroscience candidate, will speak on the contributions of the maternal microbiome to neuroimmune development. Malik is supervised by Dr. Deborah Kurrasch, PhD.
Charlene Watterson, a PhD candidate, will address the formation of blood vessels in zebrafish embryos in the first 24-hours after fertilization. Watterson is supervised by Dr. Sarah Childs, PhD, Head of the Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology.
SAVE THE DATE - MAY 23

Crescendo is coming back!
It's a musical experience like no other. Produced by the John Cameron Changing Lives Foundation, Crescendo brings together top musicians and inspiring stories of strength shared by young people and their families. Save May 23, 2020 in your calendars and watch for tickets to go on sale. All proceeds will help develop the world-leading research program at the new Centre for Child & Adolescent Mental Health. Read more

IN THE NEWS

The research of Dr. Carly McMorris, PhD, and Dr. Chad Bousman, PhD, is highlighted within the Build Them Up Campaign in support of the Centre for Child and Adolescent Mental Health. The centre, a partnership among Alberta Health Services, the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation, and the community, will begin providing services in the fall of 2021. View Global stories

Dr. Sheri Madigan, PhD, gives some valuable parenting tips on how to avoid playing favourites with your children. Madigan holds the Canada Research Chair in Determinants of Child Development and is a member of the Owerko Centre at the Alberta Children's Hospital Research Institute. View

COLLABORATION

Surgery Round Table
Dr. Alex Haynes, MD, a surgical oncologist, is the Associate Chair of Research and Discovery for the Department of Surgery at the University of Texas. Haynes was part of the original World Health Organization team charged with making surgery safer for patients. This work resulted in the Safe Surgery Saves Lives campaign and the development of the Safe Surgery Checklist, used in hospitals around the world. This round table, hosted by the EQuiS research team, is supported by community donations through the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation.
December 6
9 am - 10:30 am
Alberta Children's Hospital, Conference Room 3
RSVP equis@ucalgary.ca

Building the Equity Bridge
Dr. Jane Philpott, MD, and Dr. Imogen Coe, PhD, are presenting keynote talks addressing how to close equity gaps, develop allies and bridge disparities. This event is co-sponsored by the Department of Medicine, HBI and ACHRI and hosted by the Office of Professionalism, Equity and Diversity. It includes breakout sessions and local experts.
January 13
8 am - 4:30 pm
Clara Christie Theatre, Health Sciences Centre
Register

NEW MEMBER

Dr. Julia Jacobs-LeVan, MD, is an associate professor in the departments of pediatrics and clinical neurosciences. She moved to Calgary from the University Medical Centre (UMC) in Freburg, Germany, one of the largest hospitals in Europe, where she was
Interim Director of Pediatric Neurology and Head of Pediatric Epilepsy. As the new director of the Pediatric Epilepsy Program at the Alberta Children's Hospital, she will investigate how to improve the various imaging and scanning tools used in diagnosing children with epilepsy as well as improving the accuracy of prediction outcomes for children with rare and difficult-to-treat epilepsy.

Welcome!

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

8th annual Pediatrics Innovation Awards are now open:
December 20, 2019: Intent to apply
January 31, 2020: Full submission
March 2020: Outcome of competition announced

Visit Department of Pediatrics website for forms and information. Questions about the award? Email Nicole Romanow, Program Manager, Child Health Research: ntr.romanow@ucalgary.ca
Drop-in information session: December 10 from 8:30 am to 9 am conference room #10, Alberta Children's Hospital.

2019 Future Leaders in Canadian Brain Research: Brain Canada
The competition is open to all new investigators within five years of their first independent academic appointment conducting research in the field of neuroscience.
RSO Internal Deadline LOI: December 6 at noon
Contact: Lisa Singh
Learn more

GRAND ROUNDS, CONFERENCES & LECTURES

Developmental Neurosciences Grand Rounds
8:30 am - 9:30 am ACH Auditorium
December 9: Dr. Davide Martino, PhD, MD, Deciphering the effects of environmental factors in tic disorders: the long and winding road
December 16: Dr. Harvey Sarnat, MD, FRCPC, An axonal guidance proteoglycan in developing fetal brain: Role in epilepsy and brain malformations

Child Health Research Rounds
8:30 am - 9:30 am ACH Conference Room 4
December 5: Dr. Sheri Madigan, PhD, and Dr. Brae Anne McArthur, PhD, What are the Benefits and Risks of Screen Use in Young Children?

CONFERENCES & LECTURES

December 10 - CCHCSP Certificate Session partnered with ACHRI
12 pm - 1:30 pm
ACH Conference Room #3
Dr. Alberto Nettel-Aguirre, PhD, Regression Methods

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Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity
Details

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January 26 - Pediatric Emergency Research Canada (Perc) Scientific Meeting
Fairmont Hotel, Mont Tremblant, Quebec
Register

February 11 & 12 - DOHaD Annual Scientific Meeting
Banff Centre, Alberta.
ACHRI is pleased to be a sponsor.
Register

NEW March 15 to 18 International Conference on Behavioural Science
Mindfulness for Families, Schools and Communities
Banff Centre, Alberta
Register

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