ACHRI is committed to supporting the development of the next generation of scientists and clinician researchers. We encourage all trainees and investigators to consider this wonderful opportunity provided by the institute for the following trainee funding competitions. Please apply deadline is May 1.

Applications can be found on the website at Trainee Funding.

- ACHRI Graduate Scholarship
- ACHRI Postdoctoral Fellowship
- ACHRI Clinical Research Fellowship
- ACHRI Trainee Small Research Grants

For more information on trainee activities visit Trainee Weekly update

IN THE NEWS

Congratulations! The research identifying the first case of a person living without the protein needed to bind and transport vitamin D has been highlighted in the New York Times. The findings are published in the New England Journal of Medicine, led by University of Calgary geneticist Dr. Julien Marcadier and co-authored by Dr. Bob Agiropoulos with research from the University of Washington and University of British Columbia. The findings open important new avenues of research into how the body transports and absorbs vitamin D, as well as how it can best be measured.

ACHRI 10th ANNIVERSARY

This week on our ACHRI 10th Anniversary Celebration series, we showcase the outstanding child health research of Dr. Faisal Khan. He and his team at Alberta Children’s Hospital Research Institute have developed a prediction tool for acute and chronic GvHD in children recovering from cancer. Dr. Khan is the holder of the Barb Ibbotson Chair in Pediatric Hematology and his trainee Amit Kalra holds the Dr. Grant Gall Graduate Trainee Scholarship.

NEW MEMBER

Welcome to new member Dr. Serena Orr, MD, joins the Behaviour and Developing Brain Theme as a full member. Dr. Orr is a clinical assistant professor of Pediatrics and Clinical Neurosciences and an attending pediatric neurologist at the Alberta Children’s Hospital. She also directs the Pediatric Headache Program in the Section of Neurology. Her main research interest is in furthering our understanding of pediatric migraine. Specifically, she is interested in improving our knowledge
of how to optimize acute migraine treatment, both at home and in the emergency department.

ADMINISTRATION

Welcome to ACHRI team
We are pleased to share that Karen Croucher is joining the institute’s administrative team. Karen begins her role on April 15, having served most recently as administrative support to the head of the Department of Paediatrics at the Alberta Children’s Hospital. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Karen. You are invited to drop by her office which is located at Room 290, HRMB or reach Karen by phone/email at 403.220.4621 kcroucher@ucalgary.ca

TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE

University IT upgrades wired network
Questions pre-deployment? nac@ucalgary.ca
UCalgary IT wants to ensure all devices will continue connecting as they do today. If you have special wired network requirements, or a non-UCalgary issued device connecting to our wired network, please use the NAC contact page to ensure your uninterrupted connectivity. NOTE: Temporary network connectivity interruptions will occur for approximately 5-15 minutes during the deployment dates. (May 2 at Alberta Children's Hospital, July 2 at Health Sciences Centre, July 4 at Heritage Medical Research Building, July 9 at HRIC)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

For these and other opportunities visit our child health research funding updates.
Agency deadline: June 21, 2019
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Quality of Life Research Grants
Agency deadline: July 19, 2019

CONFERENCES and LECTURES: Calendar

Lectures
April 23 | 12:00pm - 1:00 pm Child Health Rounds
Speaker: Dr. Nicole Racine, PhD
Title: Trauma Informed Prenatal Care: Implications for Maternal-Child Health
Location: Conference room 3, 4th floor ACH

April 29 | 8:30am - 9:30am Developmental Neurosciences Grand Rounds
Dr. James Rivello, MD, Texas Children's Hospital
Title: Status Epilepticus: Evaluation and Management
Location: Auditorium 4th Floor ACH

May 6 | 8:30am - 9:30am Developmental Neurosciences Grand Rounds
Speaker: Dr. Patricia Pelufo Silveira, MD, PhD
Title: Prenatal adversity, gene networks and the development of individual differences in child behaviour
Location: Auditorium 4th Floor ACH

May 7 | 12:00pm - 1:00pm Child Health Research Rounds
Speaker: Dr. Alberto Nettel-Aguirre, PhD
Location: Conference Rooms 4th Floor ACH

Conferences
May 6
Knowledge and Exchange Forum on Brain and Mental Health
NEW May 13 - 15 (Edmonton)
Alberta Spor Support Conference - Impact and Opportunities
Register & Program

May 22
Vi Riddell Pediatric Rehabilitation Research Symposium
Register here

May 29
Child Health Research Symposium and 10th Anniversary Celebration
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Janet Rossant, PhD, FRS, FRSC
Program and register here

June 5
Owerko Centre Conference
Speakers: Dr. Yona Lunksy, PhD and Dr. Russell Schachar, MD
Location: Theatre Four, HSC Foothills Campus
Program and register here

Nov. 6
ACHRI hosted Gairdner Symposium on Precision Medicine
Location: Libin Theatre, HSC Foothills Campus

Dec. 9 -10
ACHRI All Member Retreat
Location: Banff Centre of the Arts
Registration opening soon

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