Graduate Students’ Association Awards
The Graduate Students’ Association (GSA) hosted their annual year-end awards gala to celebrate contributions of graduate students and their supporters. The Excellence in Supervision Award was given to Dr. Adam Kirton, MD. Dr. Kirton is an attending pediatric neurologist at the Alberta Children's Hospital and Professor in the departments of Pediatrics and Clinical Neurosciences. Congratulations!

Pediatric Academic Societies Conference
Dr. Simone Kortbeek, MD, is a pediatric resident at Alberta Children's Hospital supervised by Dr. Graham Thompson, a clinician scientist and assistant professor in the Department of Pediatrics. Dr. Kortbeek presented recently at the Pediatric Academic Societies Conference (PAS), one of the biggest pediatric research forums in the world. The presentation, gene expression profiling in pediatric appendicitis, is a study supported by the AHS Surgical Strategic Clinical Network and a UCalgary Bridging Grant. Congratulations!
**The Child Health and Wellness Initiative** is moving forward with plans to engage the child health research community at UCalgary and beyond to build partnerships, connections and advance research. As part of the planning, a series of **town halls** are being arranged to facilitate this conversation among researchers, families, health-care providers, community organizations and policy-makers. More information will be coming shortly from VP Research with the town hall details and registration! We hope everyone can attend! **Save these dates**

- **June 4**  3:30-5:00pm  Precision Child Health
- **June 10**  12:00-1:30pm  Brain Development, Function and Mental Health
- **June 12**  3:30pm-5:00pm  Maternal, Newborn and Child Health
- **June 18**  3:30-5:00pm  Care Transformation for Child Health
- **June 25**  12:00-1:30pm  Big Data and Social Determinants of Child Health and Wellness

**PUBLICATION**

**New Guidelines**

**Congratulations!** Dr. Tamara Pringsheim, MD, is lead author on new guidelines describing methods to manage Tourette syndrome and other tic disorders. For people living with these disorders, there are effective treatments that may help improve symptoms, according to Dr. Pringsheim. The new guidelines from the American Academy of Neurology (AAN) are published in *Neurology®,* the medical journal of the AAN. The guidelines are endorsed by the Child Neurology Society and the European Academy of Neurology. **Read**

**TRAINEE OPPORTUNITIES**

**APPLY Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship** - Deadline Sept. 18, 2019

Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships are among the most prestigious awards in Canada. The University of Calgary has been highly successful in these awards. Please note that the next application deadline is fast approaching. We recommend that interested supervisors and postdocs start the application process. **APPLY**

For information on trainee opportunities, visit the ACHRI website [weekly training post](https://go.ucalgary.ca/index.php/email/emailWebview/-41x3).
Trainee awards
The Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada has awarded second-year Bachelor of Health Sciences student Mehul Gupta, supervised by Dr. Aru Narendran, a summer studentship for a research project entitled The Perfect Shot: Generation of Personalized Vaccines for Refractory Childhood Brain Tumours. This research is currently supported by the ACHRI - Kids Cancer Care Chair in Clinical and Translational Research. Congratulations!

10th Anniversary SYMPOSIUM and CELEBRATION

The ACHRI 10th Anniversary Symposium and Celebration is only a few weeks away. If you haven't registered to attend, please do so. We are honoured to have keynote speaker Dr. Janet Rossant, President and Scientific Director of The Gairdner Foundation, presenting along with our amazing internal speakers. We also would like everyone to attend our afternoon Celebration with University President Ed McCauley, Dr. Brent Scott and community members. REGISTER for both events here.

CONFERENCES and LECTURES: Calendar

Lectures
May 13 | 8:30am - 9:30am Developmental Neurosciences Grand Rounds and Symposium
Speaker: Dr. Patrick Shannon, MD, FRCPC (Neuropathology)
Title: 7th Annual Dr. Harvey Sarnat Lectureship: The adverse intrauterine environment: common patterns of brain injury and what they mean
Location: Auditorium 4th Floor ACH
Symposium 10am-3pm Program

May 14, | 12:00pm -1:00pm Child Health Research Rounds
Speaker: Dr. Erin Hetherington, PhD
Location: Conference Rooms 4th floor ACH

Conferences
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 hosting Gairdner Symposium on Precision Medicine

Location: Libin Theatre, HSC Foothills Campus

Dec. TBA

ACHRI All Member Retreat

Location: Banff Centre of the Arts

Registration opening soon

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