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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



As promised, this issue contains an amazing collage of photos from last month's GASP BBQ at Christie Pitts. Thank you again to the GASP Executive Melanie Markovic (GASP President), Scott Frendo-Cumbo (VP), Vivian Szeto (VP), Frances Wong (Treasurer), Sammy Cai (Secretary) for all their help in organizing the event. Despite the rain, our trainees had a fun afternoon of games such as the "egg toss" and "human pyramid". It was a great opportunity to meet new and old classmates. For those unable to

join us, I hope to see you at next year's annual BBQ.

Best wishes.

Graham L. Collingridge, FRS, FMedSci, FRSB, FBPhS Ernest B. and Leonard B. Smith Chair Department of Physiology

HONOURS & AWARDS

Congratulations to **Dr. Richard Horner** and **Dr. Haibo Zhang on** their induction as a Fellow of the **Canadian Academy of Health Sciences**. Induction into the CAHS as a Fellow is considered one of the highest honours within Canada's academic community.

Congratulations to **Dr. Zhong-Ping Feng** on her reappointment as Director of the Collaborative Specialization in Neuroscience (CSIN) for a second 5 year term, beginning November 1^{st} , 2017

Congratulations to **Dr. Graham Collingridge** who will receive the Ideas Award at the Economics of Machine Intelligence Conference in Toronto on October 26th http://www.mkt4intel.com. The Ideas Award recognizes an individual or organization that has had a first-order impact on the competitiveness of Canada through the advancement of new ideas in the area of science and technology.

PHYSIOLOGY SEMINAR SERIES

~ Eligible for PSL1000H/PSL2000H Course Seminar Attendance ~

Oksana Shynlova, PhD

Assistant Professor
Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology
University of Toronto Research Scientist
Lunenfeld-Tanenbaum Research Institute at Mount Sinai Hospital

"Female Pelvic Floor disorders: matrix, cells, genes and their interaction"

Thursday, November 2, 2017 4-5 pm

Location: Medical Sciences Building, Room 2170

PHYSIOLOGY SEMINAR SERIES

~ Eligible for PSL1000H/PSL2000H Course Seminar Attendance ~

Patrick MacDonald, PhD

Associate Professor, Dept. of Pharmacology Canada Research Chair in Islet Biology Alberta Diabetes Institute

Title: TBA

Thursday, November 16, 2017 4-5 pm

Location: Medical Sciences Building, Room 2170

Host: EDRG Platform

NEUROSCIENCE PLATFORM RESEARCH DAY - Nov 8



The annual Neuroscience Platform Day 2017 will be held on Wednesday, November 8, 2017

Do not miss this opportunity to showcase your research progress and accomplishments by means of poster or oral presentations. People who are attending SFN can use their posters for this event.

Please note this event is compulsory for all Neuroscience trainees and the awards will count towards future applications for scholarships.

Please indicate whether you would prefer to do a poster or oral presentation.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Monday, October 30th, 2017 @12:00 p.m. to Eva Eng at <u>eva.eng@utoronto.ca</u>

The length should be no more than 300 words.

All presentations will be judged and the following components will be evaluated:

- 1. Rationale and clarity of the problem
- 2. Presentation of the methods and results
- 3. Conclusions and importance of the research

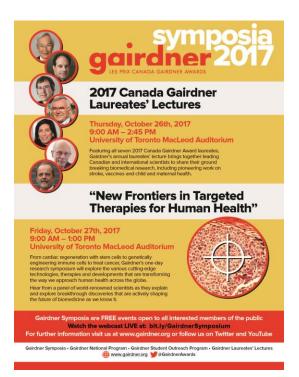
Eligibility: Participation is restricted to Physiology graduate students, undergrads and postdocs supervised by a Physiology-appointed PI.

Lu-Yang Wang, PhD Professor & Director, Neuroscience Platform Department of Physiology, University of Toronto

GAIRDNER SYMPOSIA 2017

Please be reminded of the Gairdner events coming up later this month (Oct 26/27). The program includes a remarkable line-up of Gairdner Laureates.

http://gairdner.org/events/2017-gairdner-laureate-symposium/



Gairdner Symposia are FREE events open to all interested members of the public.

CHARLES H. BEST LECTURESHIP 2017

 \sim Eligible for PSL1000H/PSL2000H Course Seminar Attendance \sim



The University of Toronto Charles H. Best Lectureship and Award, **endowed by Dr. John K. and Mary E. Davidson**, was established to honour Charles H. Best, a co-discoverer of insulin and Chairman of the Department of Physiology at the University of Toronto (1929-1965). It is intended to be the most prestigious International Award in the field of Diabetes given by the University of Toronto.

We are delighted that **Professor Matthias Tschöp** from the Universität München will be delivering this year's lecture on November 27th (details below). Professor Tschöp is

internationally renowned for uncovering molecular principles of gutbrain communication and turning these into novel therapeutics in clinical diabetes and obesity trials.

Please join us on November 27th for this year's Best Lecture

Professor Matthias H. Tschöp

Scientific Director of the Helmholtz Diabetes Center and Chair of the Division of Metabolic Diseases Technische Universität München



Title: Unimolecular Polyagonists Targeting Gut-Brain Communication Reverse Obesity and Diabetes

Monday, November 27th, 2017

3:00 - 4:00 pm

Location: Mount Sinai Auditorium, 600 University Avenue, Toronto

NEWS FROM GASP

Thank you again to everyone who participated in the GASP BBQ at Christie Pitts last month!



GASP has many fun activities planned for the month of October. How about joining us for a nice hike in High Park on October 21st, or joining coming out to our Pumpkin Carving Social on October 26th. Please join us for these, and other planned activities. Details in poster below!



GASP





October 2017

GASP 2017-18 Council

Help us congratulate the new GASP council!:

Social Coordinator - Neemat, Liz Sports Coordinator - Patrick Academic Coordinator - Shelly Science Outreach Coordinator - Ashkan Off-Campus Coordinator - Xavier Science-Rendezvous Rep - Julia K. GSU Rep - Susmita CUPE Rep - Shahin Webmaster - Julia Y.

How-to-Seminar Committee Meeting 101

Impress people at your first committee meeting!
Stay tuned for more details

If you have any questions email Melanie at: mel.markovic@mail.utoronto.ca

Off-Campus Coffee Break

WHERE: 5th floor, PGCRL WHEN: October 17th, 2-3 PM

Join us for FREE Coffee, Tea, and Timbits

Visit Our Website!

Want to stay up to date with GASP events?
Or maybe you want to check out our photo gallery?

Check out our new and improved website: http://sites.utoronto.ca/gasp/

Pub Night

WHERE: Pogue Mahone (777 College St.)
WHEN: October 5th at 7PM

FREE apps provided courtesy of GASP!

High Park Hike

WHERE: High Park WHEN: October 21st TTC TOKENS PROVIDED!

Meet outside of MSB by the Tim Hortons at 1PM.

If you have any questions, email Paddy at:

patrick.meagher@mail.utoronto.ca

Pumpkin Carving Social

WHERE: MSB3227 WHEN: October 26th at 6 PM COST: FREE!

There will be candy, a movie screening, and more! Come in a costume and win bonus points for the PhysioCup

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https://www.facebook.com/UofTGASP

PHYSIOLOGY'S HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Mark your calendars!

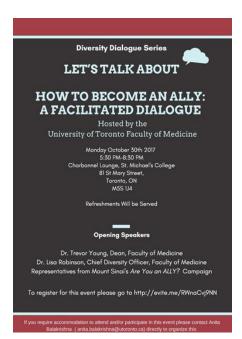


Physiology's Annual Holiday Luncheon will be held on **Wednesday December 13th**, **2017** at 12:30-2:30 pm at The Faculty Club.

Tickets go on sale next month. Stay tuned for more information.

FOM DIVERSITY DIALOGUE EVENT

The Faculty of Medicine is pleased to invite you to our next Diversity Dialogue event entitled "How to Become an Ally: A Facilitated Dialogue".



The details for the event are as follows:

Date: Monday, October 30, 2017

Time: 5:30PM-8:30PM

Location: Charbonnel Lounge, University of St.

Michael's College, 81 St. Mary's St

Registration: http://evite.me/RWnaCvj9NN

We want to hear about the great things happening in Physiology.

Please share your accomplishments, awards... Send news items to the Chair's Office c/o e.katsoulakos@utoronto.ca