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Message from the Dean

Catharine Whiteside

Health and biomedical research innovation, as defined by the application of new knowledge into practice, is core to the *Vision* of our Faculty that aspires to be an international leader in improving health. The integration of our research agenda among nine fully affiliated hospitals and their research institutes creates the opportunity for leading-edge discovery in many fields. In 2010/11, 1613 researchers with primary university appointment in the Faculty of Medicine obtained 8,317 research grants and held research funding (from sources external and internal to U of T and its affiliates) that totaled \$792 million. Our Vice Dean Research and International Relations, Alison

Buchan, recently classified major fields of investigation based on the total number of investigators and their funding. These data, along with the strategic research directions among our Departments, Centres and Institutes, enabled the Vice Dean and her planning group to identify four major themes - the core directions for our new Research Strategic Plan. These include: Human Development; Neurosciences and Brain Health; Global Health; Complex Disorders - System Management (e.g., cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer, musculo-skeletal disorders). Successful implementation of strategic research priorities aligned with these themes requires the availability of highly sophisticated core research infrastructure ranging from integrated health informatics and high resolution/high throughput imaging and screening methodologies to effective dissemination/commercialization.

To sustain our research endeavours continual recruitment and retention of outstanding faculty members, as well as building necessary infrastructure, are critical. On September 13, 2012, our Faculty will officially launch its "Boundless" campaign featuring our key research themes. We have expanded the resource and expertise in our Office of Advancement to support our senior academic leadership in their fund-raising efforts. Our donor pool is growing and I am very encouraged that philanthropists, not-for-profit foundations and many private sector organizations understand and share our *Vision*. Investing in the future of our Faculty's research enterprise is a top priority for our campaign and I know, through collective commitment, we will achieve our goals.

Catharine Whiteside

Dean, Faculty of Medicine

Vice-Provost, Relations with Health Care Institutions

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1. Academic Appointments

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Reappointment of Professor Lorraine Ferris as Associate Vice-Provost, Health Sciences Policy and Strategy & Special Advisor to the Vice President, Research

We are pleased to announce the reappointment of Professor Lori Ferris as Associate Vice-Provost, Health Sciences Policy and Strategy for a second five-year term, beginning July 1, 2012. Professor Ferris will also assume the role of Special Advisor to the Vice-President, Research at the University of Toronto.

As Associate Vice-Provost Professor Ferris will continue to represent the University with affiliated hospitals and non-University institutions with respect to policy development and strategy related to academic activities. She will continue to work closely with the Health Science Deans and their departments/divisions to plan and implement policy and procedures relevant to the academic activities of University faculty who are appointed to, or employed by, affiliated hospitals and non-University institutions.

As Special Advisor to the Vice President, Research Professor Ferris will provide academic leadership to the Research Oversight and Compliance Office (ROCO) and will represent the Office of the Vice-President, Research with non-University healthcare/research institutions with respect to relevant academic activities pertaining to ROCO. She will work with the Executive Director of ROCO and liaise with external organizations and government agencies with respect to academic activities pertaining to ROCO as needed, as well as provide consultation to the Office of the Vice-President on a broad range of issues relating to research oversight and compliance.

Please join us in congratulating Professor Ferris on her reappointment.

Catharine Whiteside

Dean, Faculty of Medicine

Vice-Provost, Relations with Health Care Institutions

Henry Mann

Dean, Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy

Chair, Council of Health Sciences

Reappointment of Professor David McKnight as Associate Dean, Equity & Professionalism

Academic Board has approved the reappointment of Professor David McKnight for a second five-year term as Associate Dean, Equity & Professionalism, beginning July 1, 2012.

Professor McKnight is a Professor in the Department of Anesthesia, where he also holds the position of Vice-Chair, Education. A graduate of U of T Medicine, Professor McKnight also holds a Master of Health Science in Bioethics from the University of Toronto. He has extensive experience, and has made significant contributions, related to ethics, education, professionalism and diversity issues, both within the University and the broader medical community.

He serves on the Ethics Committee of St. Michael's Hospital, and on the Equity, Diversity and Gender Committee of the Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada. Professor McKnight has worked extensively with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in a variety of capacities, including serving as a member of Council, Chair of the Ethics and Equity Committee and Co-Chair of the Bioethics Education Project.

Please join me in congratulating Professor McKnight and wishing him every success in his second term as Associate Dean, Equity & Professionalism.

Catharine Whiteside

Dean, Faculty of Medicine

Vice-Provost, Relations with Health Care Institutions

Reappointment of Professor Peter Burns as Chair, Department of Medical Biophysics

Academic Board has approved the reappointment of Professor Peter Burns for a second five-year term as Chair of the Department of Medical Biophysics, beginning July 1, 2012.

Professor Burns is Professor of Medical Biophysics and Medical Imaging and Senior Scientist at Sunnybrook Research Institute. His 30-year experience in imaging research began in the United Kingdom, where Professor Burns obtained his PhD in Radiodiagnosis at the University of Bristol. Prior to moving to Canada in 1991, he held faculty positions at Yale University and Thomas Jefferson University.

Professor Burns has published four books and more than 150 scientific papers, and serves on the editorial boards of several scientific and clinical journals. He is a Fellow of the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine and the recipient of numerous awards, including the World Federation of Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology Pioneer Award. His current research is directed towards new applications of microbubble contrast agents for ultrasound in cancer diagnosis and, ultimately, cancer treatment. His research is currently funded by CIHR and OICR grants.

Please join me in congratulating Professor Burns and wishing him every success in his second term as Chair of the Department of Medical Biophysics.

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Dean, Faculty of Medicine

Reappointment of Professor John Bohnen as Vice-Dean, Clinical Affairs

Academic Board has approved the reappointment of Professor John Bohnen for a second five-year term as Vice-Dean, Clinical Affairs, beginning September 1, 2012.

Professor Bohnen is a Professor in the Department of Surgery and the Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation and has an outstanding record of academic achievement and leadership. At the University he has served as Vice-Chair of Education in the Department of Surgery, prior to his appointment as Vice-Dean, Clinical Affairs.

Among his roles as Vice-Dean, Dr. Bohnen has worked with University Clinical Departments, Hospitals and Faculty Human Resources offices to clarify and streamline clinical faculty appointment processes. Dr. Bohnen serves as University of Toronto representative on Alternate Funding Plan III management boards associated with the University.

Beyond his leadership in the University, Professor Bohnen has made significant contributions to the medical community through his work with a variety of organizations including the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC). He has experience in policy development at the RCPSC and has published and lectured extensively.

Please join me in congratulating Professor Bohnen and wishing him every success in his second term as Vice-Dean, Clinical Affairs.

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Dean, Faculty of Medicine

Vice-Provost, Relations with Health Care Institutions

2. Honours and Awards

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Khorana Prize 2012

Professor Lewis Kay (Departments of Molecular Genetics and Biochemistry) is the winner of the 2012 Khorana Prize. This prize is awarded in recognition of outstanding achievement for research at the chemistry and life science interface. Professor Kay received this award based on his contributions to the development of modern NMR spectroscopy for studies of biomolecular structure, dynamics and function including applications to supra-molecular machines and excited protein conformations that play critical roles in biochemical processes.

Top 25 Canadian Immigrants Award

The Top 25 Canadian Immigrants Award celebrates the achievements of Canadian immigrants. **Dr. Vivian Rambihar** (Department of Medicine) has joined the ranks of these inspiring role models. Dr. Rambihar is being recognized for his pioneering research in diversity and health. He was the first in Canada to raise awareness of the need for addressing heart disease and diabetes in South Asians and the first to apply complexity ideas to health, with various academic publications, and has lectured internationally on both subjects, including at Cambridge University, UCL and the

University of the West Indies. For more information, please visit <http://canadianimmigrant.ca/canadas-top-25-immigrants/canadas-top-25-immigrants-2012>.

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U of T Medicine launches Living History website

Are you a U of T Medicine alum who has fond memories of your years at school? A faculty member with access to historic photos? An innovator whose breakthrough discovery made news headlines? If so, the interactive [Living History website](#) - launched this month - is a place to share your story. Inspired by a dedicated group of alumni from the Class of 1944 who recently documented their collective history, this new website aims to celebrate the Faculty's tremendous legacy and impact through memories shared by the U of T Medicine community.

Current and past students, faculty and staff - even family members of U of T alum - are being encouraged to share their memories by visiting www.medicine.utoronto.ca/livinghistory. Through photos, newspaper clippings, personal stories and an interactive timeline, the site will tell the extraordinary story of a world leader in health education, research and clinical care.

"Just as our students, faculty and staff helped to shape our history, we hope that they'll help us to build this incredible virtual yearbook by submitting their stories, photos and memories," says Julie Lafford, Manager of Alumni Relations. "Whether they're recent graduates, retired professors or even family members, we encourage every member of our community to contribute to this website."

Already populated with hundreds of photos and stories that celebrate milestone moments in U of T Medicine history, the site is a work in progress that aims to preserve the faculty's past while paying tribute to our ongoing present-day story, says Lafford.

To submit a story, photo or memory, members of the U of T Medicine community are encouraged to visit the [website](#) and click on "contribute" or email medicine.advancement@utoronto.ca.

Acting Dean

The Agenda Committee of the Academic Board and the Senior Appointments and Compensation Committee have approved the appointment of Professor Sarita Verma as Acting Dean and Acting Vice-Provost Relations with Health Care Institutions for the periods July 1 to August 31 and November 1-30, 2012 while I am on administrative leave.

Dr. Verma is Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Associate Vice-Provost, Health Professions Education and a Full Professor in the Department of Community and Family Medicine.

Please join me in thanking Professor Verma for her willingness to serve as Acting Dean in my absence.

Sincerely,

Catharine Whiteside

Dean, Faculty of Medicine
Vice-Provost, Relations with Health Care Institutions

Director, University of Toronto Interdepartmental Division of Critical Care Medicine

The Advisory Committee struck to guide the search for Dr. Arthur Slutsky's successor has been revised. The revised membership is as follows:

Brian Kavanagh (Committee Chair), Chair, Dept. of Anesthesia
Andrew Baker, Chief, Dept. of Critical Care, St. Michael's Hospital
Denis Daneman, Chair, Dept. of Paediatrics
Robert Fowler, Critical Care Medicine, Sunnybrook Research Institute
Shannon Goddard, Critical Care Medicine, University of Toronto
Shaf Keshavjee, Surgeon-in-Chief, University Health Network
John Laffey, Anesthetist-in-Chief, St. Michael's Hospital
Wendy Levinson, Chair, Dept. of Medicine
Chris Parshuram, Critical Care Program, The Hospital for Sick Children
Ori Rotstein, Surgeon-in-Chief, St. Michael's Hospital
James Rutka, Chair, Dept. of Surgery
Damon Scales, Director, Critical Care (Adult) Residency Program, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre
Tom Stewart, Physician-in-Chief, Mount Sinai Hospital

4. Call for Applications

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Director, Undergraduate Medical Education Curriculum

Applications are invited for the newly created position of *Director, Undergraduate Medical Education (MD) Curriculum* in the Faculty of Medicine

Reporting to the Vice-Dean, UME, the *Director of UME Curriculum* is responsible for the design, development and implementation of the undergraduate medical curriculum. The *Director of UME Curriculum* works closely with the *Director of UME Evaluations* to ensure that curriculum design and outcomes are in keeping with: (i) institutional objectives as enunciated in the Faculty of Medicine strategic plan; (ii) extant UME program goals and objectives; and (iii) the requirements of LCME/CACMS accreditation.

Appointment of the Director UME Curriculum will normally be for a five-year renewable

term. To view a detailed position description, go to

<http://www.md.utoronto.ca/about/vicedean/employment/CurricDirector.htm>.

The successful candidate will be a practicing physician, with strong education and clinical credentials, who is interested in contributing at a senior level to an innovative, fast evolving, and collaborative education environment.

Faculty members interested in this position are encouraged to submit a letter of application and up-to-date curriculum vitae and education dossier by July 20, 2012 to Dr. Jay Rosenfield, Vice-Dean, Undergraduate Medical Education, Room 2111, Medical Sciences Building, 1 King's College Circle, Toronto ON M5S 1A8, email: jay.rosenfield@utoronto.ca, with a copy to Riet van Lieshout, Manager Finance and

Administration, Room 2301B, Medical Sciences Building, 1 King's College Circle, Toronto ON M5S 1A8, email: r.vanlieshout@utoronto.ca. Electronic submission is preferred.

Further information about this position can be obtained by contacting Dr. Jay Rosenfield at 416-978-4934 (voice), jay.rosenfield@utoronto.ca (e-mail).

Curricular Lead, Indigenous Health Education, Undergraduate Medical Education

Applications are invited for the newly created position of *Undergraduate Medical Education (UME) Curricular Lead for Indigenous Health Education* in the Faculty of Medicine (0.2 FTE).

The UME Curricular Lead for Indigenous Health Education position relates to health education regarding the Indigenous Peoples of Canada (First Nations, Inuit and Metis). The Curricular Lead is responsible for the design, development, implementation, and evaluation of educational elements that constitute a curricular theme in Indigenous Health across all 4 UME years. This position reflects 1) the Faculty's commitment to social responsibility and addressing the health needs of individuals and populations across local, national and global settings; and 2) more specifically the Faculty's commitment to addressing the health needs of Indigenous Peoples of Canada, one of the priority populations identified in the Faculty of Medicine Diversity Statement.

Appointment of the Undergraduate Medical Education (UME) Curricular Lead for Indigenous Health Education will normally be for a five-year renewable term. The Curricular Lead reports to the Pre-clerkship and Clerkship Directors, Undergraduate Medical Education. To view a detailed position description, go to <http://www.md.utoronto.ca/about/vicedean/employment/healthcarelead.htm>.

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Further information about this position can be obtained by contacting Dr. Mark Hanson at 416-946-7972 (voice), mark.hanson@utoronto.ca (e-mail).

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- CAG/CIHR/CCFC New Investigator Salary Award
- CIHR Collaborative Centres of HIV/AIDS Community-Based Research

- CIHR Network Catalyst Grants
- CIHR New Investigator Awards
- CIHR Planning & Dissemination Events Grants
- CIHR Proof of Principle Program - Phase II
- Grant Miller Cancer Research Grant, Faculty of Medicine, UofT

~ Our congratulations to all! ~

UPCOMING AWARD DEADLINES

July

Federation of Chinese Canadian Professionals (Ontario) - Education Foundation Award of Merit
 Prix Galien Canada (Innovative Product)
 Prix Galien Canada (Research)
 Wiley Prize in Biomedical Sciences

August

Gates Vaccine Innovation Award

September

American Society for Clinical Investigation membership
 Royal Society Fellows (UK)
 Sloan Research Fellowships

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