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Message from the Dean

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The University of Toronto Faculty of Medicine is home to some of the best researchers and educators in the world. As Dean, it is an honour and privilege to work with such superb faculty members, and it is a pleasure to recognize their outstanding achievements in our annual academic promotions.

Academic promotion reflects excellence in research, creative professional activity, teaching and education, and leadership/administration. The faculty members promoted this year have demonstrated a very high level

of accomplishment in those four areas. To each faculty member who has been promoted, I offer my sincere congratulations. Thank you for your tremendous contributions to the University and Faculty.

I want to thank Professor Avrum Gotlieb, Interim Vice Dean of Graduate and Life Sciences Education and Senior Academic Advisor to the Dean, for his work as Chair of the Decanal Promotions Committee. I want to thank the members of the Decanal Promotions Committee, our Department Chairs and their Departmental Promotions Committees for their great work over the last year. Finally, thanks to our Academic Human Resources Coordinator, Libby Shirriff, for providing support to everyone involved in the promotions process.

The Decanal Promotions Committee has recommended the following candidates for promotion to the rank of Professor, effective July 1st., 2013.

Colin McCartney	Anaesthesia
David Wong	Anaesthesia
Philip Peng	Anaesthesia
Sachdev Sidhu	Donnelly Centre for Cellular and Biomolecular Research
David N. Fisman	Dalla Lana School of Public Health
Janet Raboud	Dalla Lana School of Public Health
Peggy McDonough	Dalla Lana School of Public Health
Bernard Le Foll	Family and Community Medicine
Lynn Wilson	Family and Community Medicine
Cynthia Hawkins	Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
Hala El-Zimaity	Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology

Heyu Ni	Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
Susan Richardson	Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
Angela Cheung	Medicine
Antonio Strafella	Medicine
Cheryl Rosen	Medicine
Daniel Panisko	Medicine
Eldad Zacksenhaus	Medicine
Gary Naglie	Medicine
Lucy Osborne	Medicine
Margaret Herridge	Medicine
Mario Ostrowski	Medicine
Philip Connelly	Medicine
Rupert Kaul	Medicine
Shiphra Ginsburg	Medicine
Tianru Jin	Medicine
Julie Brill	Molecular Genetics
Sean Egan	Molecular Genetics
Joan Murphy	Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Jon Barrett	Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Peter Kertes	Ophthalmology
Rosa Braga-Mele	Ophthalmology
Anne Dipchand	Paediatrics
Berge Minassian	Paediatrics
Isaac Odame	Paediatrics
Jose Perez Velasquez	Paediatrics
Luc Merten	Paediatrics
Katherine Boydell	Psychiatry
Zafiris Jeffrey Daskalakis	Psychiatry
Jolie Ringash	Radiation Oncology
Catriona Steele	Speech-Language Pathology
Elizabeth Rochon	Speech-Language Pathology
Cindi Morshead	Surgery
Marc Jeschke	Surgery
Michael Taylor	Surgery
Robert Nam	Surgery
Stefan Hofer	Surgery

The Decanal Promotions Committee has recommended the following candidates for promotion to the rank of Associate Professor, effective July 1st., 2013.

Jane Heggie	Anaesthesia
Jean Wong	Anaesthesia
Jeff Wassermann	Anaesthesia
Laurent Briollais	Dalla Lana School of Public Health
Pia Kontos	Dalla Lana School of Public Health

Rayjean J. Hung	Dalla Lana School of Public Health
Shelley Deeks	Dalla Lana School of Public Health
Arun Sayal	Family and Community Medicine
Dori Seccareccia	Family and Community Medicine
Jeffrey Kwong	Family and Community Medicine
Michelle Naimer	Family and Community Medicine
Onil Bhattacharyya	Family and Community Medicine
Joseph Cafazzo	Health Policy, Management and Evaluation
Anna Marie Mulligan	Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
Bhushan Kapur	Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
Catherine Streutker	Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
Sharon Nofech-Mozes	Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
Susan Poutanen	Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
David Goertz	Medical Biophysics
Hitoshi Okada	Medical Biophysics
Jason Lerch	Medical Biophysics
Laurent Milot	Medical Imaging
Andrew Yan	Medicine
Baiju Shah	Medicine
Cecilia Chaparro	Medicine
Damon Scales	Medicine
Danielle Andrade	Medicine
Dante Morra	Medicine
David Gladstone	Medicine
Eric Xueyu Chen	Medicine
Jeff Stal	Medicine
Mary Ann Cooper	Medicine
Michelle Hladunewich	Medicine
Ophyr Mourad	Medicine
Ian Scott	Molecular Genetics
Cynthia Maxwell	Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Danny Lovatsis	Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Howard Berger	Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Michelle Keightley	Occupational Science & Occupational Therapy
Michael Brent	Ophthalmology
Aleixo Muise	Paediatrics
Catherine Birken	Paediatrics
Grace Yoon	Paediatrics
Lars Grosse-Wortmann	Paediatrics
Michael Sgro	Paediatrics
Rajiv Chaturvedi	Paediatrics
Randi Zlotnik-Shaul	Paediatrics
Sharon Unger	Paediatrics
Ariel Graff-Guerrero	Psychiatry

Benjamin Goldstein	Psychiatry
Jennifer Jones	Psychiatry
Shelley McMain	Psychiatry
Tarek Rajji	Psychiatry
Vincenzo De Luca	Psychiatry
Ewa Szumacher	Radiation Oncology
Alice Wei	Surgery
Allan Okrainec	Surgery
Clement Hamani	Surgery
Greg Borschel	Surgery
Kazuhiro Yasufuku	Surgery

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

IN THE NEWS:

Menu nutrition labels: New York's move to require calorie counts remains controversial

SickKids attracts top U.S. specialists

Cardiac arrest 'hot spots' in Toronto mapped by researchers

We All Deserve Dental Care

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1. Honours and Awards

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Human Touch Awards

Cancer Care Ontario is honouring the Department of Medicine's Professor **Urban Emmenegger** with a Human Touch Award. Professor Emmenegger and other recipients are being honoured for their commitment to improving patient experience and providing compassionate care.

President's Teaching Award

Professor **Chris Perumalla** (Department of Physiology) has won the 2013 President's Teaching Award, the highest honour for teaching at the University of Toronto. Joining an elite group of educators at the University, Professor Perumalla is being honoured for his innovative accomplishments and impact on countless students.

DSc (Medicine), University of the Witwatersrand

The University of Witwatersrand is presenting Professor **Denis Daneman** (Department of Paediatrics) with a senior doctorate (DSc) in Medicine. The DSc is the highest research degree given by the University -- Professor Daneman's alma matter -- and is a result of years of research conducted by the Hospital for Sick Children's Paediatrician-in-Chief.

Distinguished Researcher Award

Professor **Tony Pawson** (Department of Molecular Genetics) is being honoured by the Canadian National Proteomics Network with the 2013 Distinguished Researcher Award. Professor Pawson is an international leader in proteomics, and has revolutionized how cancer, diabetes and immune system disorders are understood and treated.

W.O. Atwater Lectureship

Professor **David Jenkins** (Department of Nutritional Sciences) has been chosen to give the 2013 W.O. Atwater Lectureship by the USDA's Agricultural Research Service. The Lectureship was established in 1968 to honour the memory of Wilbur Olin Atwater and to recognize scientists who have made significant contributions to improving nutrition around the world.

Michael S. Feld Biophotonics Award

The Optical Society of America has awarded Professor **Brian Wilson** (Department of Medical Biophysics) the inaugural Michael S. Feld Biophotonics Award for his sustained contributions to the field of biophotonics. Professor Wilson is being honoured for 30 years of outstanding work in the areas of light dosimetry, photodynamic therapy, fluorescence and Raman endoscopy, microscopy and nanophotonics.

AFMC CHEC-CESC Virtual Patient Challenge

First-year medical student **Ayesha Malik** came in third place in the Association of Faculties of Medicine CHEC-CESC Virtual Patient Challenge 2012-13, winning a \$400 scholarship. Her case, A Fatigued Figure, was featured at the 2013 Canadian Conference on Medical

Education.

Ontario 3MT Competition

PhD candidate **Jasdeep Saggar** has won the Ontario 3MT (Three Minute Thesis) Competition. Competition participants had three minutes to present their research to a panel of non-specialist judges in an accessible, engaging way. Saggar -- a doctoral student in Professor **Ian Tannock's** (Department of Medical Biophysics) lab -- beat out 30 finalists from 16 Ontario universities.

Award for Excellence in Clinical Nephrology Teaching

Professor **Joanne Bargman** (Department of Medicine) has won the Canadian Society of Nephrology's 2013 Award for Excellence in Clinical Nephrology Teaching. She was presented with the award at the Society's annual general meeting.

2. Announcements

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From Testicles to Timbuktu -- Notes From a Family Doctor

Professor **Geordie Fallis's** book *From Testicles to Timbuktu -- Notes From a Family Doctor* -- is now available at <http://www.notesfromadoc.com/#>. Dubbed as an eclectic look at love, life and laughter from the other side of the stethoscope, the humorous book is based on Professor Fallis's medical school diaries.

Along with being a budding author, Dr. Fallis is a Professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine and Chief of Family Practice at Toronto East General Hospital.

Assistant Vice-Provost, Health Sciences Sector, Office of the Vice-Provost, Relations with Health Care Institutions

Dr. **Johanne Provençal** has been named Assistant Vice-Provost, Health Sciences Sector, Office of the Vice-Provost, Relations with Health Care Institutions. Dr. Provençal joins the Faculty from the University's Office of the Vice-President, Research and Innovation, where she has been in the role of Acting Director, Strategic Initiatives.

Dr. Provençal brings to this position a unique skill set and knowledge base developed through a strong background of combined academic work and professional experience. She earned her PhD in 2009 (Education -- Curriculum Theory and Implementation) and her doctoral research investigated shifting priorities in research funding policy and the changing roles of universities. She has undertaken work that involves changes in post-secondary pedagogy, curriculum, student engagement and community engagement.

Dr. Provençal has extensive administrative experience at the executive level and has worked for many years with senior academic administrators, members of faculty, graduate and undergraduate students, university administration, research funding bodies, scholarly societies, and community organizations.

The Faculty would like to extend sincere gratitude to Ms. Leslie Bush and wish her all the best on her retirement.

Director, Joint Centre for Bioethics

Professor **Larry Librach** is stepping down as Director of the Joint Centre for Bioethics for medical reasons.

Professor Librach provided excellent leadership to the JCB over the past two years, and made many other contributions to the Faculty as a full Professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine and first Head of the department's Division of Palliative Care. The Faculty thanks Professor Librach for his outstanding service to the University of Toronto and its affiliated hospitals.

Professor **Jennifer Gibson** has been appointed Interim Director of the JCB, effective April 15, 2013 to June 30, 2014 or until a new Director is appointed. Professor Gibson has been the Associate Director of Partnerships & Strategy at the Joint Centre for Bioethics since 2007 and is Associate Professor in the Institute of Health Policy, Management, and Evaluation. She holds a PhD in philosophy, with a specialization in Bioethics, from the University of Toronto. Her current funded research focuses on ethics and health system integration, organizational ethics, and resource allocation ethics. Professor Gibson teaches in the MHS in Bioethics program and supervises graduate students through the Collaborative Program in Bioethics at the University of Toronto. In 2012, she was the inaugural recipient of the Ross Upshur Award for Excellence in Course Direction. Professor Gibson leads the WHO Collaborating Centre for Bioethics at the University of Toronto, is a program team leader at the Canadian Centre for Applied Research in Cancer Control (a partnership of the Canadian Cancer Society, Cancer Care Ontario, BC Cancer Agency, the University of British Columbia, and the University of Toronto), and has served as an expert member on government advisory committees on policy issues related to critical care triage, drug funding and supply, organ transplantation, pandemic planning, citizen engagement, and health system integration.

Canadian Federation of Medical Students

Jesse Kancir, a fourth-year clerk, has been named President-Elect of the Canadian Federation of Medical Students. The Federation acts represents Canadian medical students to the federal government, public and national medical organizations, and has a membership of over 7,500 medical students from 14 Canadian schools.

Jesse was a driving force behind the Faculty's Undergraduate Medical

Education Humanities Companion Curriculum, and was a founder of the Medical Students' Humanities Interest Group.

Christopher Yip Appointed Director, IBBME

Professor **Christopher Yip** (Department of Biochemistry, Donnelly Centre for Cellular and Biomolecular Research) has been appointed the new Director of the Institute of Biomaterials & Biomedical Engineering (IBBME) for a five-year term, beginning July 1, 2013.

Professor Yip has previously served as Interim Director of IBBME from July 2007 to September 2008. He is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and has received teaching awards in both the Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering.

3. Call for Nominations

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Pharmacology Theme Coordinator -- Clinical

The Faculty of Medicine invites applications for the position of Pharmacology Theme Coordinator -- Clinical in the Undergraduate Medical Education (UME) program.

There are two Pharmacology Theme Coordinators in Undergraduate Medical Education. Jointly, they have the responsibility of developing a progressive curriculum in pharmacology and therapeutics across all four years of the undergraduate medical program.

The Pharmacology Theme Coordinator -- Clinical focuses on clinical pharmacology and therapeutics, with an emphasis on learning activities in the clerkship, and a contribution to the preclerkship in support of the other theme coordinator.

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.

To view a detailed position description, go to:

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

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NICE Knowledge Exchange

Dr. James Fowler (PhD) -- co-author of *CONNECTED: The surprising power of social networks and how they shape our lives* -- is the keynote speaker at the 2013 Annual NICE Knowledge Exchange. In his address,

Dr. Fowler will reveal the dynamics of social networks and will present compelling evidence on the profound influence they have on our health, wealth, and even happiness.

Dr. Fowler is a Professor of Genetics in the Department of Medicine and a Professor of Political Science in the Division of Social Sciences at the University of California, San Diego.

Other NICE Knowledge Exchange presenters include Professors **Samir Sinha** (Department of Medicine), **Lesley Wiesenfeld** (Department of Psychiatry), **Robert Madan** (Department of Psychiatry) and PhD student **Christopher Klinger** (Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation).

Please visit the [NICE Knowledge Exchange](#) website for more event and registration information.

5. Medicine Research Online

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RESEARCH GRANTS

- CH.I.L.D. -- CIHR Inflammatory Disease Bowel Network
- CIHR Clinician Scientist -- Phase 2 Awards
- CIHR Team Grant: Canadian Epigenetics, Environment and Health Research Consortium (CEEHRC)
- CIHR Team Grants: Community-Based Primary Healthcare
- Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada: Operating Grants

~ Our congratulations to all! ~

UPCOMING AWARD DEADLINES

May

CIHR Barer-Flood Prize for Health Services and Policy Research
Bower Award and Prize for Achievement in Science
King Faisal International Prize in Medicine
J. Allyn Taylor International Prize in Medicine
Rolex Awards for Enterprise
Thomas E. Starzl Prize in Surgery & Immunology

June

AAAS Newcomb Cleveland Prize
Eppendorf and *Science* Prize for Neurobiology

Steacie Prize for Natural Sciences (NRC)

July

CSCI-CIHR Resident Research Awards

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