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October 23rd, 2020

Congratulations

Congratulations to Dr. Michele Barbeau on the well-deserved appointment as a full-time limited faculty member within Anatomy and Cell Biology at the rank of Assistant Professor.

Congratulations to the MSc Clinical Anatomy Graduating Class of 2020!
Kait Marshall
Hannah Roberts
Kevin Santiago
Michele Woitowich
Lily Wolak
Victoria Agapova
Diana Draghici
Mackenzie Ferguson
Katelyn Marchiori

It was a pleasure to have all of you as part of our ACB family and we wish all of you the very best in your future endeavours!

Congratulations to Sarah Hayes, PhD Candidate, who under the mentorship of Drs. Allman, Whitehead and Inoue has been awarded a BrainsCAN postdoctoral fellowship.

Awards & Grants

The Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology would like to congratulate Dr. Silvia Penuela on being named a Western Petro-Canada Young Innovator for 2020 and awarded $15,000 for the project “Pannexin channels as dynamic regulators of fat accumulation”. Western News featured an article on the Petro-Canada Young Innovator awardees and their work.
https://news.westernu.ca/2020/05/silvia-penuela-matthew-teeter-named-young-innovators/

Congratulations to Drs. Doug Hamilton and Sandrine de Ribaupierre who were successful with NSERC Discovery Grants for their respective projects “Combining substratum compliance and topography to investigate cell adhesion and contraction”, and “Imaging the development of the auditory network – from fetus to toddler”
PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES
Ornela Kljakic (Prado Lab) presented a poster entitled "Motivation and cue-directed effort are regulated by acetylcholine/glutamate co-transmission from striatal cholinergic interneurons" at the 2nd International Touchscreen Symposium which was held virtually on April 22nd.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

We want to feature your new publications here!

submit them to anatomy@uwo.ca


Congratulations to Katherine Quesnel, PhD candidate (Berube Lab) on receiving a CIHR doctoral award.

AWARDS & GRANTS CONT..

For more information, please visit schulich.uwo.ca/anatomy/
Issue 2 of The Dorsal Column is now available online!
The Dorsal Column is a quarterly science communication blog that aims to take Western-affiliated research out of the lab and into the London community. It is organized by The Science Communication & Outreach Committee of the Society of Neuroscience Graduate Students (SONGS), and all the articles are written by graduate students who are passionate about communicating primary research to the public.

This issue includes a variety of topics that highlight the breadth of neuroscience, including an article by Miguel Peña-Ortiz, PhD candidate (Berube Lab) which focuses on unpacking some research related to epigenetics and intellectual disability in the fruit fly.

You can read all 7 articles from Issue 2 (all under 1000 words) and also access Issue 1 on the SONGS website. Print versions of this issue are currently being designed and will be distributed throughout London later in the summer.

If you have any questions or would like to help The Dorsal Column grow, please get in touch with Faraj Haddad at fhaddad2@uwo.ca

2020 ACB PROMOTION & TENURE

PUBLIC SOLICITATION FOR DR. STEPHEN RENAUD

NOTICE TO ALL FACULTY AND STUDENTS

Dr. Stephen Renaud is being considered for promotion to Associate Professor and the granting of tenure, which requires a public solicitation for letters. For more details and if you're interested in providing a written submission please click here.
ACB EVENTS

VIRTUAL TRIVIA NIGHT
Thank you to everyone who joined in on our first ACB Trivia Night and congratulations to our winner Michelle Klausner! We are excited to host the second round of Trivia is not so Trivial on May 29th with prizes provided by Dr. Tim Wilson. We hope to see you then!

GRAD STUDENT SOCIAL HOUR
Kelly Baines and Paige Easnor as part of ACB Grad Council will be hosting social hours on Zoom weekly:

Mondays 3:00pm-4:00pm
Thursdays 10:00am-11:00am

These meetings are meant to provide a safe space for ACB Grad Students to express any concerns and to reconnect with peers during this time. Grad students will have received a Zoom meeting ID via email, please reach out to Kelly, Paige or the ACB Admin staff if you need this provided to you again.

MURRAY BARR LECTURE
We are pleased to announce Gairdner Award winner Dr. Elaine Fuchs as our guest speaker for the 27th Annual Murray Barr Lecture. The Lecture will take place on Friday, October 23rd 2020, following Anatomy and Cell Biology’s annual Research Day. More details can be found here as well as on the Anatomy and Cell Biology Events Calendar.
St. John's is continuing to serve those in need during the Covid-19 pandemic, and requires the ongoing support of Volunteers to help prepare and serve food at the community dinners. Social distancing measures and precautions are in place to ensure the safety of volunteers and patrons. To register, please add your name to the volunteer sign up sheet by clicking here.

ACB.I.N.G.O!

The second round of ACB.I.N.G.O has been placed on hold due to the changes surrounding Covid-19. However, all bingo cards sold in March will remain valid and we will pick up right where we left off when we return to campus. ACB thanks you for your continued support of our fundraising efforts and we look forward to holding many more great events in 2020.

Proceeds will be donated to The Ronald McDonald House London and Lets Talk Science

**The Ronald McDonald House London** is a place where out-of-town families with seriously ill children can stay for as long as they need and be only 165 steps from Children's Hospital, LHSC.
https://www.rmhc-swo.ca/about-us/how-we-help

**Lets Talk Science** works with over 50 universities including Western, colleges and research institutes, and over 3,500 volunteers, who bring over 55,000 hours of science outreach to Canadian youth
https://letstalkscience.ca/about-us
PROMISE WALK FOR PREECLAMPSIA

May is preeclampsia awareness month and to help raise support and funds the London Promise Walk for Preeclampsia is being held virtually on May 31st. Visit http://bit.ly/pwlondon2020 to register and help them meet their $5000 goal.

Also a thank you to everyone who helped support the Preclampsia Mothers Day Fundraiser in April. A total of 90 gift baskets were sold raising about $900 for the Preeclampsia Foundation Canada.

The London Promise Walk for Preeclampsia is going VIRTUAL this year.

Location: YOUR neighbourhood!

Register for FREE: http://bit.ly/pwlondon2020. Everyone who registers will be entered into a draw for some great PRIZES!!

Follow us on FACEBOOK: London Promise Walk for Preeclampsia, to stay up to date and be part of some fun pre-walk activities!