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CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to Dr. Michele Barbau, who will be taking on the role of Associate Chair for Undergraduate Studies in Anatomy & Cell Biology, effectively July 1, 2022.

Congratulations to Dr. Charys Martin, who has been named as a new Teaching Fellow in Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry for a three-year term.

Congratulations to Jennifer Guo (Hamilton Lab) for receiving the Queen's Commission for being an officer in the Canadian Armed Forces.

SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS & GRANTS
Congratulations to Dr. Dale Laird, Dr. Silvia Penuela, Dr. Tyler Beveridge, Dr. Patrick Lajoie, and Dr. Steven Laviolette who were each granted an NSERC Discovery grant for 5 years.

Congratulations to Dr. Shawn Whitehead on being awarded the Alzheimer Society Research Program (ASRP), Proof of Concept Grant, for the project entitled: Circulating microglia extracellular vesicles as diagnostic indicators of AD.

Congratulations to Michael Zheng, a summer student in the Lala lab, who has been awarded a CIHR Canada Graduate Scholarship to conduct graduate studies co-supervised by Drs. Lala and Renaud.

Congratulations to Justin Tang (Penuela Lab) on receiving a CIHR CGSM scholarship.

Congratulations to Mariyan Jeyarajah (Renaud Lab) who was awarded the Deb Comuzzi CHRI Trainee of the Year Award and will give a platform award presentation on June 22, 2022.

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Congratulations to Brian Allman, Michele Barbeau, Tyler Beveridge, Charys Martin, Tim Wilson, David Creces, and Haley Linklater for being awarded the 2022 Vice-Provost (Academic Programs) Award for Excellence in Online Teaching and Learning.

Congratulations to Sarah McLean for being awarded the 2022 Edward G. Pleva Award for Excellence in Teaching, the most prestigious teaching award at Western.

On June 14th, 2022 The Schulich Award of Excellence recipients will be honoured at the annual awards celebration. Congratulations to our department awardees listed below, read about all the 2022 recipients.
PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES

ACB graduate students Vivienne Hang, Angela Pecyna, Rebecca Elgie, Erinn Brown, Jack Webb and Jenna Yuen, manned the ACB Booth at the 2022 Science Rendezvous event May 7th, 2022.

Anatomy & Cell Biology was largely represented at the American Association for Anatomists (AAA) conference at Experimental Biology in Philadelphia, PA on April 13th, 2022, by the 2nd year clinical anatomy students, faculty, and graduate students. Congratulations to the following students who received awards:

- Michele Sveistrup received 1st place in the Educational Research Platform Presentation Award
- Ruth Thomas received 1st place in the Graduate Student Poster Presentation Award
- Adam Jaremek (Renaud Lab) received 2nd place in the Langman Graduate Student Platform Presentation Award Competition
RETIREEMENT ANNOUNCMENTS

KEVIN BARR, RESEARCH TECHNICIAN

The Department of Anatomy & Cell Biology congratulates and wishes Kevin Barr well as he retires from his position as Research Technician in the Laird Lab, on July 1, 2022. A tribute written by Dr. Dale Laird in honour of Kevin’s retirement has been posted to the department’s website.

DR. MARTIN SANDIG, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

It is with mixed emotions that the Department of Anatomy & Cell Biology formally announces the upcoming retirement of Dr. Martin Sandig on July 1, 2022. We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to Martin for all of his contributions over the years, and to congratulate him on a successful academic career. You will be greatly missed but we wish you all the best for a fulfilling retirement and wherever life takes you next! Read the full announcement by Dr. Alison Allan

ACB EVENTS

AWARDS DAY 2022 CEREMONY

Join us on June 17th, at 3:00pm for our annual awards day, where we will celebrate the 2021-2022 award winners and graduating class. The ceremony will take place at the Wave following commencement, where refreshments will be served. RSVP by June 10th 2022

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION, DR. MARTIN SANDIG

A retirement celebration will be held in honour of Dr. Martin Sandig on June 9th starting at 3:30pm on the Grad Club patio. Refreshments will be served. RSVP by June 2nd 2022

The 29th Annual MURRAY BARR LECTURE

Friday, October 14th, 2022

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ACB GIVES BACK

ST. JOHN’S HOSPITALITY DINNER

St. John’s is continuing to serve those in need and requires the ongoing support of volunteers to help prepare and serve food at the community dinners. To register, please add your name to the volunteer sign up sheet by clicking here. This would be a great team-building opportunity for labs.

JUNE 4TH, JUNE 11TH

PREVIOUS INNATIVES

LUCKY SQUARES

Thank you to everyone who supported our lucky square fundraiser! We were able to raise $100 to purchase bus tickets for those in need who attend the St. Johns Hospitality Meals.

EASTER BINGO

Congratulations to our ACB Bingo winners! Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets and came out to play! After expenses, we raised $70 towards our annual donation goal. We’d like to thank Chick Cake Boss and The Wave for their generous prize donations!

CLOSET CLEAN OUT

With your help we were able to collect a trunk full of clothing donations in support 519PURSUIT! These donations will go directly to the homeless within our community.

ACB GIVES BACK IN SUPPORT OF 519PURSUIT

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