



## CONGRATS TO...

- Chantal Forristal for the Dr. L. DeWitt Wilcox Award for her Summer Research Training Program project (Dr. Dick's lab)

- Charles Ishak (Dr. Dick's lab) for a [Dean's Stipend for Graduate Research](#)

- Dr. Shelley Sandiford (Dr. Li's lab) for 2nd prize in Western's postdoctoral [3 Minute Research Competition](#)

- Elio Cino and Elnaz Atabakhsh for successful PhD defenses

- Brian Munshaw for his successful MSc defense

- Dr. Han for the Paediatric Chairs of Canada [2012 Paediatric Academic Leadership - Clinician Investigator Award](#)

- Dr. Rogan for public release of his [Shannon pipeline software](#): funded by Cytogenomix and MITACS; distributed by [CLC Bio](#)

- Dr. Siqueira for the dental faculty [W.W. Wood Award](#)

- Dr. Smith (Div. of Clinical Biochemistry) for a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Ont. Society of Clinical Chemists

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## The Christmas Bash

This year's Christmas party for the Biochemistry community took place at The Wave restaurant on campus. Good food and hilarious entertainment made for an interesting evening.



The Party.  
Photo from Melita Hayes

People participated in the 50/50 draw, trivia contest, and "Whose baby picture is it?" contest. Door prizes were also distributed. Check out the [winners and photos](#). Thanks to the planning committee.

## People (and Other) Stuff

The annual Biochemistry pumpkin carving contest took place on 31 Oct ([photos](#)). Winners included Dr. Choy's lab (group category) and Nancy Friedrich (individual category, as well as overall best pumpkin).



Nancy Friedrich's creation

Positions that were advertised this fall included Assistant Professor, Part-Time Faculty Position, and CRC in Chemical Biology.

Happy holidays to everyone and all the best for 2013...

## Publication News

### Publications from the labs and collaborators of...

Dr. Ainsworth (pancreatic cancer, BRCA1/2)

Dr. Choy (TRP1, 2A domains of STI1)(molecular crowding) (disordered proteins)

Dr. Dunn (SLP-2 deficiency)

Drs. Goldberg/Hunter (calcium oxalate monohydrate crystals) (tooth formation in absence of bone sialoprotein)

Dr. Han (determinants for small-for-gestational-age)

Dr. Hegele (review - dalcetrapib) (cognitive impairment)(gene-centric meta-analysis, lipid loci)

(BMI loci)(Lomitapide)(basics of GWAS)(rare genetic variants) (lipid traits)

Drs. Hegele/Huff (PPARdelta, inflammatory response)

Drs. Hegele, Huff, Pickering (oxysterol, foam cells)

Dr. Hudson (PARACEST-MRI contrast agent)

Dr. Huff (citrus flavonoids, atherosclerosis - review)

Dr. Konermann (membrane protein structure, oxidative labelling - review)(ESI)(nanocluster isotope distributions)

Dr. Lajoie (proteomics of stem cell matrix)

Dr. Li (phosphotyrosine recognition domains- review)

Dr. Pickering (growth factors in therapeutic angiogenesis - review)

Dr. Rogan (centromeric topography) Accepted in *Cytogenetic and Genome Research*

Dr. Rupar (mevalonate kinase deficiency)

Dr. Schild-Poulter (RanBPM, ERK)(brain gene expression in suicides)

Dr. Siqueira (acquired enamel pellicle)(Histatin-5, yeast colonization)(enamel demineralization) (salivary proteins in dental caries - review)

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