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Welcome

We are pleased to announce the appointment of **Dr. Johan Delport** as the new Section Head for Microbiology at London Health Sciences Centre - Victoria Hospital, effective April 2, 2012.

Dr. Delport joins us from **Regina General Hospital** where he was a Medical Microbiologist and Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine. Dr. Delport served on several Infection Control and Prevention Committees and his expertise and passion will be invaluable to our team.

Please join me in welcoming Dr. Delport to his new position!



Welcome to Cecile Klerks. joining the Western Department of Pathology office team on a part time contract.



Congratulations



Congratulations to Cheryl Campbell, celebrating her 25th anniversary as a staff member in Pathology.

Congratulations to Kathilyn Onn, our Media Specialist who married James Allewell on March 3, 2012 at the Best Western Lamplighter Inn.

Congratulations to Dr. Meg McLachlin, recently appointed as Senior Medical Director for Diagnostic Services at the London Health Sciences Centre.



Farewell

Goodbye to Charlie Chen who has been with the department for 14 years, and retired on March 30, 2012. We wish Charlie all the best in his future endeavors.

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Research Based Program

Wahab A. Khan (PhD candidate, supervisor **Dr. Joan Knoll**) is the recipient of the Graduate Thesis Research Award Fund (2011-2012).

Pathology Graduate students won 3 out of 13 Poster Competition Awards at the London Health Research Day on March 20, 2012.

Emily Keats (Supervisor: **Dr. Z Khan**) - first place award for her presentation in the "Clinical Investigation and Metabolic Disease" category.

Matthew Riopel (Supervisor: **Dr. R Wang**) - first place award for his presentation in the "Cancer, Cell Biology & Regenerative Medicine" category.

Arthur Lau (Supervisor: **Dr. A Jevnikar**) first place award for his presentation in the "Transplantation & Surgical Innovation" category.

On March 7, 2012, **Emily Keats**' abstract was selected as one of the top entries in this year's Trainee Abstract Competition (Till & McCulloch Meetings (Stem Cell Meetings).

We would like to offer congratulations to **Brenda** and **Jamie** who have completed their MSc requirements and who will be graduating in the Spring.

Brenda Hamilton (Supervisor: **Dr. L.C. Ang**) Thesis Title: "Molecular Cytogenetics for Recurrent vs. Non recurrent Meningiomas".

Jamie Belo (Supervisor: **Dr. R Wang**) Thesis Title: "SOX9 and WNT Signaling in Human Fetal Pancreatic Development".

Master of Clinical Science – PA Program

We have received notification that the "Course & Practicum Based Graduate Program" has been approved as a standalone professional program. Students will receive a MCISc – Master of Clinical Sciences, Pathology Assistant beginning September 2012. There will be more formal announcements coming out soon.

Undergraduate

Annual Pathology and Toxicology Program Research Day was held on Februray 29, 2012.

1st Prize for Outstanding Poster Presentation at the Annual Pathology and Toxicology Program Research Day was awarded to **Chris Goodman** (Supervisor: **Dr. Jorge G. Burneo**), from his project entitled Functional evaluation of malformations of cortical development: using fMRI and H1-MRS to aid in the treatment of complex epilepsies.

Two of our 4th year Path/Tox students received best presentation awards at the Annual Western Undergraduate Research Forum (held March 23).

Cameron Goertzen (Supervisor **Dr. Rob Hammond**) received the Top Podium Presentation Award.

Michael Ruiz (Supervisor **Dr. Subrata Chakrabarti**) received the Top Poster Presentation Award.

Congratulations to both students - well done!

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