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A Message from the Chair

The lazy days of summer have turned into the beautiful colours of fall and with them, a buzz of activity has once again graced the halls of the Strathcona. To both new and returning students alike, my best wishes for a successful 15-16 academic year!

Mother Nature may be slowing down but the Department is busily moving forward on many new initiatives, including recruitment for 2 new tenure track positions and some exciting improvements to our anatomy lab.

The semester kicked off with a welcome back departmental barbecue for staff and grad students, which gave everyone the opportunity to reconnect and sit for our annual departmental picture (see above). The celebrations continued with a small ceremony and brick unveiling to honour Dr. John Bergeron, former Chair and now professor emeritus, on his contributions to the department and to McGill. And the celebrations will continue into late October with Homecoming. We hope you will revel with us!



Craig Mandato, Chairman, Department of Anatomy & Cell Biology

Fall 2015



Students and faculty alike open the new semester with the annual Anatomy and Cell Biology Barbecue!



In the photos above, faculty and staff joined Dr. Mandato in honoring Dr. John Bergeron for his many years of service to the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology. Dr. Bergeron's commemorative brick on the second floor was unveiled, after which colleagues celebrated his career with a wine and cheese.

Recognitions

Congratulations to Dr. Jonathan DeGreer on successfully completing his Doctoral degree this past July. Dr. DeGreer's thesis was entitled "The regulation and function of the Rac1 GEF Trio and the Rac1 / Cdc42 GAP CdGAP during neuronal development"

Spotlight: Dr. Nicole Ventura, Academic Associate

This summer, Dr. Nicole Ventura joined the department to support teaching efforts in the Division of Anatomical Sciences. Dr. Ventura completed her doctoral degree in Anatomy and Cell Biology at Queen's University. She holds her MSc. in Anatomical Sciences from Queen's University. Her knowledge, expertise and experience in gross anatomy, prosection preparation and teaching make her a valuable asset to students and faculty members alike and strengthens the Department's teaching mission.

Dr. Ventura's teaching contributions this semester will include ANAT 315 (Anatomy of the limbs and back), EDKP 300 (Special Topics in Kinesiology), as well as participating in the teaching of first year medical anatomy. Welcome aboard Dr. Ventura!



Upcoming events:

6th Undergraduate Lab Recruitment Luncheon: November 4, 2015 Strathcona Anatomy & Dentistry Building, 2/36

Anatomy and Cell Biology Departmental Holiday Party: Thursday, Dec. 3rd Thomson house Ballroom, 18:00

Structure and chemical biology approaches for the design of type IV secretion system inhibitors: Wed, Dec. 9th, TBD, 13:00