Hello MIMM’ers!

The 2015-16 Academic Year is under way. Our department has welcome a cohort of the best and brightest students entering McGill. It is very exciting to hear their voices in the corridors and even more, their comments and ideas. Really inspiring.

What else is new? Well, we have a cohort of six Faculty Members that started their independent careers here in MIMM in the last 5 years. They are well underway to become future stars and leaders in their fields. They bring to the department energy, new expertise and different perspectives. Their successes are not only impressive in their own right but also a constant reminder of the importance of a vibrant environment for discovery and innovation. And also, a call to the importance of research and its funding. Congratulations Jörg, Connie, Irah, Selena, Martin and Corinne for your achievements and thank you for making MIMM an integral part of your career.

In the same vein, I would like to share with you that we are in the middle of a recruitment drive for one additional position aligned with Virology to start in 2016. Three candidates have been identified and will be visiting the department during the Fall term, in this order: Drs. Jason Kindrachuk, Carol Ilkow and Jacques Archambault. Please, make yourself available to meet with them, attend their seminars and their chalk talks and provide confidential feedback to me. I thank you in advance for that.

Last, let me wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving. We have so much to be thankful for!

Yours in service,
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Thanks to ALL MIMMers for making this BBQ such a success!!
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Brendan Snarr
Graduate Student & MIGSA President

How long have you been with the Department?

I've been here for over 5 years, which is a significant amount of time (p < 0.05) for a PhD student.

What is your job description?

I'm a PhD candidate in Dr. Sheppard's lab (I do science), but I've also organized the grad student intramural teams (I pretend to be athletic), and recently have become the president of MIGSA (I encourage socializing and have more responsibilities than I should be trusted with).

What do you look forward to when you come to work every day?

Working with a top-notch and dynamic team. Being at the precipice of biomedical discovery. Brainstorming and adapting to solve new challenges and problems in an ever-changing academic landscape. Using buzzwords. Networking and collaborating at a world-leading institution. Pushing the research forward through new and innovative ways. But above all else, every day I look forward to the potential of free food.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

To view the video with on our MIMM former student, click here.

Congratulations to Dr. Gruenheid for having been named the Co-Leader of the Science Committee of the Small World Initiative program.

Congratulations to Eugene Kang for being awarded a Faculty of Medicine Internal studentship!

Dr. Gruenheid is part of a large (9.8M) collaborative group grant that was funded by Genome Canada/Genome Quebec, entitled: *A Syst-OMICS approach to ensuring food safety and reducing the economic burden of salmonellosis*. Congratulations!
We are pleased to announce the current exhibition at the Osler Library of the History of Medicine, Sanitizing Style: Germ Theory and Fashion at the Turn of the Century. The exhibit is on display now through November 2015. The Osler Library is located on the 3rd Floor of the McIntyre Medical Building, 3655 Promenade Sir William Osler and is open Monday-Friday 9AM-5PM. Please stay tuned for a curator’s talk and walkthrough to be scheduled for October!

To register to Homecoming, click here.

There is a binder in RM-511 containing postings. Do not hesitate to come and look at it if you are looking for your next job!
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