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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF MEDICINE

**COVID Update:** One can feel the **COVID temperature rising**. Our hospital sites are actively planning for a surge as we see community case numbers climbing. There is hope that the younger demographic of current community cases won't translate into a large hospital surge but only time will tell. I'm grateful that many had an opportunity to re-charge this summer.

UGME is working diligently to ensure that our medical students progress through to completion of training on time. Strongly consider helping when asked- our future patients will need the next generation of clinicians (especially with the demographic bubble in the next 10 years).

### Early Career Representative on DOM Council → Congratulations, Dr. Isabelle Malhamé!

We are pleased to announce the election of Dr. Isabelle Malhamé who will be the first Early Career Representative on the newly formed DOM Governing Council.



Dr. Malhamé was recruited as Assistant Professor in 2019 to the Department of Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine.

While in residency, Dr. Malhamé was Co-chief General Internal Medicine resident at McGill and served as a resident representative on the Continuing Professional Education committee of the *Association des Spécialistes en Médecine Interne du Québec*. Dr. Malhamé has continued her involvement with this committee as a faculty representative and she has organized several academic activities for internists across the province.

Please join us in extending sincerest congratulations to Dr. Malhamé!

## Lucian Week – please mark your calendars – October 6, 7 and 9

The McGill Department of Medicine is proud to be the steward of the Louis and Artur Lucian award, the largest award bestowed by McGill and one of the largest cardiovascular awards bestowed internationally.

The award honours the two brothers of the late Olga Leibovici, whose will included a bequest to McGill University to establish an award to recognize outstanding research in the field of circulatory diseases.

Dr. Joseph A. Hill is the 2019 recipient of the Louis and Artur Lucian Award for Research in Circulatory Diseases. Dr. Hill received the award this year for his seminal work on the molecular mechanisms responsible for pathological cardiac remodelling events such as cardiac hypertrophy and for developing a number of innovative lines of investigation for therapeutic intervention.

Dr. Joseph A. Hill will be presenting his research during the “virtual” events of Lucian week in early October (see program below).

Please join the McGill Department of Medicine in welcoming Dr. Joseph Hill to McGill.

### Tuesday, October 6, 2020

McGill University Health Centre and Jewish General Hospital Medical Grand Rounds

*Crisis Now...Worse Coming: Cardiovascular Medicine Going Forward*

Via Zoom

<https://msss.zoom.us/j/97724610607?pwd=WHRna1V6Q2VacVZXTDhVL3BtQUE2QT09>

### Wednesday, October 7, 2020

Lucian Lecture

*Renovations in the House of Medicine*

Via Zoom <https://mcgill.zoom.us/j/97891703025>

### Friday, October 9, 2020

Lecture for McGill Basic Science Departments

*HFpEF: Model, Malady, and Mechanism*

Via Zoom <https://mcgill.zoom.us/j/98123968875>

For more information, please visit: <https://www.mcgill.ca/deptmedicine/news-events/lucian-award/2019-dr-joseph-hill> or contact [caroline.alcaraz@mcgill.ca](mailto:caroline.alcaraz@mcgill.ca)

## Save the Date – New Recruit Session on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, 16h30-17h30

For the past five years, the DOM has held an informal get together for new faculty recruits. This year's event won't be held in-person but it will still fit the bill by providing an opportunity for people to be introduced to one another – across Divisions - and to learn about the milestones

that lie ahead of them in their academic career path. Our expert team of academic affairs staff – Debbie Carr and Caroline Alcaraz – will be on hand to present the basics and to answer any questions you might have.

More info to follow!

## Visit to Outaouais Campus



On Friday, September 18th, I had the opportunity to meet Dr. Gilles Brousseau, Vice-Dean and Director, Medical Education, Campus Outaouais who gave me a guided tour of the campus. I was very impressed by the well thought out, compact campus. They have created a mini medical school that, for the time being, will focus on training family physicians and emergency medicine doctors, with the training of internists to follow in future years. Dr. Brousseau was very complimentary of DOM, for facilitating the appointment of faculty to Campus Outaouais.

## Reminder : November 19, 2020 - 2nd Annual Women's Heart Health Symposium

Registration is now open!

<https://www.mcgill.ca/cardiology/events/womens-healthy-heart-initiative-whhi/muhc-second-annual-womens-heart-health-symposium-2020/registration>

## Announcements of Newly Appointed Faculty

Over the course of the next few newsletters, we will be announcing the recruits of 2020.

We are pleased to announce the following:



Dr. Ami Grunbaum was appointed to the McGill University Department of Medicine as Assistant Professor in January 2020. Dr. Grunbaum is a member of the Division of Medical Biochemistry, with cross-appointment to the Division of Endocrinology & Metabolism.

Dr. Grunbaum earned his medical degree at McGill University, where he subsequently completed post-graduate training in Medical Biochemistry. Dr. Grunbaum pursued additional training in proteomics and imaging mass spectrometry and he is currently completing his MSc in Experimental Medicine at McGill.

Dr. Grunbaum will be providing clinical, as well as technical oversight for the Biochemistry Laboratories Toxicology and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring programs at the MUHC. He will continue to advance his research in the fields of toxicology, therapeutic drug monitoring and the transitioning of mass spectrometric methodologies from translational to clinical platforms.

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Grunbaum to our staff.



Dr. Lucie Corriveau was appointed to the McGill University Department of Medicine as Assistant Professor in February 2020. Dr. Corriveau is a member of the Division of Medical Biochemistry.

Dr. Corriveau earned her medical degree at Laval University, where she subsequently completed post-graduate training in Medical Biochemistry.

Dr. Corriveau is currently pursuing an additional master's degree in the Division of Experimental Medicine at McGill under the supervision of Nandini Dendukuri.

Dr. Corriveau will have clinical duties at the MUHC, where she will be involved in teaching students and supervising medical residents. She will continue to advance her research in the field of health technology assessment and laboratory test utilization.

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Corriveau to our staff.



Dr. Gang He was appointed to the McGill University Department of Medicine as Assistant Professor in March 2020. Dr. Gang He is a member of the Division of Medical Biochemistry with cross-appointment to Clinical Laboratory Medicine within the OPTILAB at the MUHC.

Dr. Gang He earned his medical degree at Shanghai Second Medical University. He moved to Montreal to pursue graduate studies on molecular biology and conduct research at the Montreal Clinical Research Institute (IRCM).

After obtaining an MBA at John-Molson School of Business, Dr. Gang He moved to the United States, where he worked in the biotechnology industry. Upon returning to Montreal in 2014, he completed his medical biochemistry residency training at McGill University and then worked as a Medical Biochemist at Charles-Le Moyne Hospital. Dr. He will continue to advance his research in the field of novel cancer treatment.

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Gang He to our staff.



Dr. Karen Matouk was appointed to the McGill Department of Medicine, as Assistant Professor, in July 2020. Dr. Matouk is in the Division of Gastroenterology.

Dr. Matouk completed her undergraduate training at McGill University and her residency in Internal Medicine and Gastroenterology at the Université de Montréal, as well as a fellowship in Hepatology at the McGill University Health Centre (MUHC).

Dr. Matouk will be developing a Hepatology service at St-Mary's Hospital and the Centre intégré universitaire de santé et de services sociaux (CIUSSS) de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal.

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Matouk to our staff.

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Best,  
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