

FOCUS ON GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE

DECEMBER 2018



🌿 Warmest wishes for a wonderful holiday season and a healthy and prosperous New Year 2019! 🌿

🌿 Ongoing Excellence in the Division Congratulations!

Dr Thomas Maniatis was named Chair, Royal College Specialty Committee in Internal Medicine, effective 1 July 2018.

Dr Kaberi Dasgupta was appointed Director, Centre for Outcomes Research and Evaluation (CORE), Research Institute of the MUHC effective 1 September 2018.

Dr Emily McDonald was honored by the YWCA of Montreal, as one of three Montreal women of distinction for their 2018 awards. La soirée inspirationELLE is an event to celebrate young women in Montreal for their leadership, professional accomplishments, and community engagement in their respective domains. The awards are supported by the Women's Y foundation and the National Bank. **Dr McDonald** is the recipient in the category "sports, santé et mieux-être" for her research in appropriate prescribing for older adults, funded by the CIHR.

Congratulations to **Dr Louise Pilote, Dr Natalie Dayan**, et al. from Anna F. Dominiczak, MD, Editor-in-Chief, *Hypertension* for an outstanding contribution to *Hypertension*. Their paper, "Impact of Preeclampsia on Long-term Cognitive Function," by L. Pilote, N. Dayan, A Kaur, M. Elharram and A. Rossi was selected as a High Impact Paper for Winter 2018 in the category of Clinical Science. High impact papers are selected every quarter to draw attention to the most important research published in the journal during the preceding 3 months. Selected papers are featured on the journal website, announced to AHA members by email and shared with all *Hypertension* followers on social media outlets.

Dr Suzanne Morin has been elected as a member of the Committee of Scientific Advisors (CSA) of the International Osteoporosis Foundation (IOF). Her election as a full member of the CSA means that the IOF has an even stronger voice in the worldwide fight against osteoporosis to make an even bigger difference in osteoporosis awareness, prevention, early diagnosis and treatment.

In the MEDIA

Dr Vicky Tagalakis was interviewed by CTV News and Global News!

Dr Tagalakis co-hosted the Thrombosis Canada Annual Education Conference 2018 in Montreal on 27 October 2018.

CTV interview [here](#).

Global News interview [here](#).

The Conference was also featured in **La Press** online.

CONFÉRENCE NATIONALE SUR LA THROMBOSE À MONTRÉAL

Des médecins spécialistes de partout au pays sont réunis à Montréal, samedi, afin de participer à une conférence annuelle nationale sur la thrombose. La rencontre cette année vise à établir des stratégies qui seront fournies au personnel médical et implantées notamment dans des cliniques médicales pour sensibiliser la population sur la thrombose, ses facteurs de risque et les moyens pour la prévenir, a expliqué la **Dre Vicky Tagalakis**, directrice de la division de médecine interne à l'Université McGill.

<https://www.lapresse.ca/actualites/sante/201810/27/01-5201930-conference-nationale-sur-la-thrombose-a-montreal.php>

Dr Linda Snell was quoted in **The Globe and Mail**: Doctors under observation: How coaching is changing medical education in Canada. See article [here](#).



PUT IN YOUR CALENDAR!

ACCREDITATION GIM TRAINING PROGRAM

THURSDAY 21 MARCH 2019
12:30 – 1:30, A 200 #1 JGH

Very important that our faculty attend!

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GIM DIVISION ROUNDS
Ballroom, Thomson House
THURSDAY 7 FEB 2019

Host : Dr Suzanne Morin
Theme: Osteoporosis

The Ultrasound Course for GIM held in November was another resounding success. 11 attended and it will be back next year by popular demand!



Evaluation feedback on aspects most enjoyed

- Clear, concise didactic sessions
- Hands on practice with low student / tutor ratio
- A variety of “patients” to sense the diversity of --anatomy
- Very helpful instructors

Additional Comments

- Excellent!
- Great session!
- Very valuable

Suggestions

- Need more time – full day would help!
- More time for the heart.
- Would have liked more time at each station

RESEARCH NEWS

Dr Jeff Wiseman continues his work on the Serious Game, Deteriorating Patient. He presented the first functioning part to international and local educational researchers and is looking for internal medicine experts to try out this part of the game and provide feedback on how the software works! Contact Dr Wiseman at Jeffery.wiseman@mcgill.ca!

Dr Suzanne Morin was invited by the Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis to co-chair a CIHR-IMHA webinar on 13 November 2018 to help set the research priorities in metabolic bone diseases.

Dr Emily McDonald is lead Researcher, and **Dr Todd Lee** co-investigator, on a \$450,000 grant from The Centre for Ageing and Brain Health Innovation, to link MedSafer e-Care: an automated deprescribing solution for community-dwelling older adults living with polypharmacy, to MED e-Care. Click [here](#) and scroll down to learn more!

GIM RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM CORNER

Accreditation : 21 March 2019!

Another GIM R5 Clinical Scholars Program Success!

Dr Michael Quon, now with the Division of General Internal Medicine, University of Ottawa, is first author on the review paper, *Is secondary atrial fibrillation different? Or is atrial fibrillation just atrial fibrillation?* **Quon M. and Pilote L.** published in the Canadian Journal of General Internal Medicine in November 2018.

Welcome new R4s!

David Bélanger (Laval), Alex Gauthier (UdeM), Tanya Girard (McGill), Jonathan Houle (McGill), Iulia Iatan (McGill), Jesse Popov (Queen's), Camille Simard (McGill), Penny Panagiota-Toliopoulos (Sherbrooke), and Virginie Vallée-Guignard (UdeM)

See you next year!

