

A Retreat of McGill's clinical and community leaders.

MCGILL'S ACADEMIC HEALTH NETWORK, WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

DATE: MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017

TIME: 12:30 – 17:30

PLACE: CENTRE MONT ROYAL, 2200 RUE MANSFIELD
SALON MONT-ROYAL II, 4TH FLOOR

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Retreat is to help the Faculty of Medicine determine next steps in the context of the Dr. Joshi consultation report mandated by Health Minister Barrette and in light of ongoing and potential impacts of healthcare changes on the academic mission and mandate.

To this end, the topics presented will consider the following:

1. The context of changes in healthcare in Quebec and elsewhere
2. What can we learn from best practices in clinical integration?
3. What role should McGill's academic leaders play in the current context of healthcare reform in Quebec?



RETREAT AGENDA

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12:30 – 13:25	BUFFET LUNCH
13:35 – 13:40	Dr. David Eidelman Introduction. “Academic Integration across the Healthcare Network.”
SESSION 1: 3 presentations	
13:45 – 14:00	#1. Dr. André Dascal: “OPTILAB”
14:05 – 14:20	#2. Dr. Wilson Miller: “The Rossy Cancer Network: Promoting Excellence. Uniting Care.”
14:25 – 14:40	#3. Dr. James Martin: “An Integrated Clinical Network: Clinical Chairs' Viewpoint.”
14:45 – 15:30	PANEL DISCUSSION & PLENARY (moderated by Dr. Sam Benaroya)
15:30 – 15:45	COFFEE BREAK
SESSION 2: 2 presentations	
15:50 – 16:05	#4. Dr. Amélie Quesnel-Vallée: “ <i>Clinical Integration Through Centralisation and Merger: Promises and Potential Pitfalls.</i> ”
16:10 – 16:25	#5. Dr. David Eidelman: “ <i>Academic Integration: The Faculty's View.</i> ”
16:25 – 17:10	PLENARY DISCUSSION
17:10 – 17:30	Dr. David Eidelman CLOSING: Summary, Next Steps



BIOGRAPHIES

ANDRÉ DASCAL is Associate Professor in the Division of Infectious Diseases of the Department of Medicine and Associate Member in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology. In January 2017 Dr Dascal was appointed as Medical Director of the newly established OPTILAB-Montreal MUHC cluster (*grappe OPTILAB Montréal CUSM*).

After completing his Internal Medicine residency at McGill, Dr Dascal pursued fellowship training at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center (UMMC). Following his training he was appointed Assistant Professor at UMMC. In 1987, he returned to Montreal and joined the JGH and McGill. At the JGH he has been Associate Medical Director, Chair of the Medical Executive Committee, and most recently Chief of Infectious Diseases and Microbiology.

As early as 1988, he was one of the first physicians to describe and publish on streptococcal toxic shock syndrome (flesh eating disease). Dr. Dascal has had an interest in rapid microbiologic diagnostics as well as emerging infections and bioterrorism. He is an infectious disease consultant to the Montreal Public Health Department, as well as other Quebec and Canadian organizations. In 2003, he volunteered to serve as an infectious disease clinician for the care of SARS patients in Toronto. At the beginning of the Montreal *C. difficile* outbreak, Dr Dascal in collaboration with Dr Ken Dewar initiated genomic studies documenting the genomic characteristics of the virulent strain affecting the region. This and additional studies resulted in the first sequencing of the virulent *C. difficile* strain as well as several publications including two in *New England of Medicine*. He has delivered lectures to many public health and professional organizations on emerging infections, influenza pandemics, *C. difficile*, bioterrorism and preparedness. During his career Dr Dascal has been the recipient (as PI or Co-PI) of NIH Physician Scientist award as well as NSERC, CIHR and FRSQ grants.

Dr. Dascal is a fellow of the Infectious Disease Society of America (FIDSA).

JAMES G. MARTIN is the Harry Webster Thorp Chair of the Department of Medicine of McGill University, and Physician-in-Chief of the McGill University Health Centre (MUHC), since January 1, 2014.

He is a Professor of the Department of Medicine and Associate Member of the Department of Physiology, and has served as the Department of Medicine's Executive Vice-Chair, Faculty Affairs; Senior Physician at the Royal Victoria Hospital of the MUHC; Research Director of the Meakins-Christie Laboratories; and Leader of the Respiratory Health Axis, Research Institute of the MUHC (RI-MUHC). He is a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences.

After completing undergraduate training at University College, Cork in his native Ireland, Dr. Martin moved to Baltimore, where he served as an "Osler marine" on the house staff at Johns Hopkins Hospital. He then came to McGill for his training in respiratory medicine and a subsequent research fellowship at the Meakins-Christie Laboratories under the late Dr. Ludwig Engel, where he has remained, building a distinguished research career and serving as an outstanding mentor and leader. The author of more than 250 publications, Dr. Martin is internationally known for his work on small animal models of asthma and on numerous aspects of asthma pathophysiology including the role of airway smooth muscle proliferation, mechanical interdependence, T-cell driven inflammation and oxidative stress. In 2005, he was awarded a Doctor of Science from the National University of Ireland, Cork.



WILSON H. MILLER is the James McGill Professor in the Departments of Oncology and Medicine at McGill University, Montreal. He is Associate Director of the Lady Davis Institute, Deputy Director of the Segal Cancer Center, and co-Director of the Clinical Research Program in the Department of Oncology at McGill. In 2014, Dr. Miller was named Clinical Lead of the Rossy Cancer Network -- a partnership dedicated to integrating and improving quality of care in the McGill University-affiliated hospitals – where he spearheaded the implementation of a multi-hospital disease site program and promoted collaboration between clinical trials throughout the network.

Dr. Miller has a PhD from The Rockefeller University and an MD from Cornell University Medical College. He has held a faculty appointment in the Department of Medicine at Cornell and at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. Dr. Miller’s laboratory at the Lady Davis Institute investigates molecular mechanisms underlying leukemia, breast cancer and melanoma, with a focus on the development of novel targeted therapies. He has received a number of research awards throughout his career, including the Medical Research Council of Canada Scientist Award and the FRSQ Chercheur national Award. Dr. Miller is a well-known speaker at national and international meetings and sits on peer review panels for the National Institutes of Health (US), the Canadian Institute of Health Research, the Ontario Cancer Research Network, and the Leukemia Lymphoma Society.

Dr. Miller’s laboratory uses several approaches to understand the mechanisms of action and development of novel anti-cancer therapies. Current projects include the role of nuclear co-regulators of transcription and changes in chromatin in response and resistance to epigenetic therapies in acute promyelocytic leukemia and other hematopoietic malignancies. Another area of interest for the lab is the development of novel therapeutics for breast cancer and melanoma, with a focus on new pathways regulating protein synthesis, modification and degradation. In his role as Director of Phase 1 studies at McGill, he has had a leading role in the development of immuno-oncology.

AMÉLIE QUESNEL-VALLÉE holds the Canada Research Chair on Policies and Health Inequalities and is the founding Director of the McGill Observatory on Health and Social Services Reforms. She is an Associate Professor at McGill University, where she is jointly appointed across the Faculties of Arts and Medicine, respectively in the Departments of Sociology and of Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Occupational Health. She is also the founding Director of the International Research Infrastructure on Social inequalities in health (IRIS) and a co-founder of the Centre on Population Dynamics at McGill.

Her research examines the contribution of social policies to social inequalities in health over the life course, and has appeared in outlets such as a co-edited book, *Le privé dans la santé: Les discours et les faits* (Presses de l’Université de Montréal, 2008), as well as in journals such as the British Journal of Psychiatry, the Canadian Medical Association Journal, the Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health, the International Journal of Epidemiology and Social Science & Medicine. Her work has received numerous awards, including the Population Association of America Dorothy Thomas award and the 2005 American Sociological Association Dissertation Award.

She was elected President of the International Sociological Association Research Committee on the Sociology of Health (2014-2018) in recognition of her leadership in the field. Committed to furthering public understanding of science, she is frequently sought by the media to comment on health care policy and population health. She has consulted for Health Canada and Statistics Canada, and has served this government agency as a member of the National Statistics Council since 2014.

DAVID EIDELMAN A McGill graduate and native Montrealer, Dr. David Eidelman is Vice-Principal (Health Affairs) and Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at McGill University.

Prior to his appointment as Dean in 2012, David served as Chair of the McGill Department of Medicine and Physician-in-Chief at the McGill University Health Centre (MUHC) for seven years. As Chair, he was responsible for overseeing the largest clinical department of the McGill Faculty of Medicine and its academic network, which includes the MUHC, the Jewish General Hospital, St. Mary's Hospital Center and the Douglas Mental Health University Institute, among other partners.

In 2015, he was elected as a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS). David is an accomplished clinician-scientist, whose research in inflammatory disorders of the airways is based at the Meakins-Christie Laboratories in Montreal.