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Dr. Bruce Williams was born in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia. He completed his Bachelor of Arts Degree at Acadia University and then entered Medical School at McGill University, graduating in 1955.

Dr. Williams completed his internship and residency in the McGill University teaching hospitals. He was awarded a McLaughlin Travelling Fellowship and spent one year of postgraduate training in England, Sweden, and Russia. Dr. Williams is Board certified through the Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons, Canada, and the American Board of Plastic Surgery.

Dr. Williams is Emeritus Professor of Surgery at McGill University and was Chairman of the Division of Plastic Surgery and Director of the Residency Program at McGill from 1976 – 1996 and was reappointed as Residency Program Director in 2002. Over 100 residents have graduated from the Program during his tenure, many of whom completed a year of research under his guidance.

He was Surgeon-in-Chief at The Montreal Children's Hospital from 1992 – 2007. Dr. Williams has been internationally recognized for his outstanding contributions to the field of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery receiving many awards including Distinguished Service Awards from Acadia University and the Plastic Surgery Educational Foundation. He received the Ambassadors' Club Award and Agora Trophy from the Montreal Convention Centre, the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Canadian Society of Plastic Surgeons and was honoured by his peers at The Montreal Children's Hospital with the Council of Physicians, Dentists, and Pharmacists Lifetime Achievement Award. Dr. Williams received both the Clinician of the Year Award and The Honorary Award (their most prestigious award) from the American Association of Plastic Surgeons.

His major interests have included basic laboratory research, microsurgery and hand surgery. He has been a Visiting Professor to over 70 different universities and societies throughout the world. Dr. Williams has contributed over 130 articles and book chapters to the field of Plastic Surgery. He is Past President of many societies including the Canadian Society of Plastic Surgeons, the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, and the International Microsurgical Society. He is the only Canadian to be elected President of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons.

Dr. Williams has two sons, Bruce (Beatrijs) and David (Bethany) and five grandsons.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual H. Bruce Williams Pediatric Surgical Research Day

McGill University  
Department of Pediatric Surgery



**David L. Sigalet, MD, PhD**

**June 3, 2013**

## David L. Sigalet, MD, MSc, PhD, FRCSC, FACS

Chief of Surgery

Sidra Medical and Research Center, Doha, Qatar

Dr. David Sigalet grew up in British Columbia, Canada and completed his undergraduate and medical training at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. It was here that he first became interested in Pediatric General Surgery. He trained in adult general surgery, at the University of Alberta, Edmonton. During this time, he developed a lifelong interest in short bowel syndrome (SBS). He completed a PhD studying nutrient absorption after intestinal transplantation and a clinical fellowship in Transplantation in Edmonton, followed by a Fellowship in Pediatric General Surgery at McGill University, Montreal.

He began his career in Edmonton, followed by moves to Kansas City, where he worked with Dr. Keith Ashcraft at Children's Mercy Hospital doing Pediatric and Transplant Surgery. In 1998 he returned to the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary, and narrowed his research focus to the factors which regulate intestinal function, aiming to maximize the functioning of the residual intestine. He also initiated a program for minimally invasive repair of chest wall defects. He has recently relocated to Doha, Qatar, where he is the Chief of Surgery at the new Sidra Woman and Children's Health Center. This clinical and research work has led to the publication of 104 peer reviewed abstracts, multiple book chapters, and co-editorship of several major textbooks.

These efforts led to his selection as the Vice-President of the World Federation of Associations of Pediatric Surgeons. When he is not operating or researching, he continues to enjoy skiing and scuba diving with his wife, and 4 children.

## Pediatric Surgical Grand Rounds

07:30 – 07:35	<b>Welcome</b> Dr. Jean-Pierre Farmer
07:35 – 07:40	<b>Introduction of Dr. David L. Sigalet</b> Dr. Sherif Emil
07:40 – 08:40	<b>Presentation</b> Dr. David L. Sigalet <i>Advances in the nutritional care of surgical infants: Something fishy is going on here!!</i>
08:40-09:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>

## Surgical Research Symposium

09:00-10:20	<b>Abstract Presentations – Session I</b> Moderator: Dr. Sam Daniel
10:25-10:40	<b>Coffee Break</b>
10:40-12:00	<b>Abstract Presentations – Session II</b> Moderator: Dr. Sherif Emil
12:15-13:15	<b>Lunch – Room C-1112</b>
13:15-13:30	<b>Award Presentations:</b> Dr. H. Bruce Williams (C-1112)

For more details on the abstract presentations, please refer to the abstract book.