

**"A mistake is to commit a misunderstanding"**  
**Bob Dylan**

Hi Everyone,

This week's Departmental Acknowledgement goes to a trio of our Faculty who received university promotions in the latest round at McGill; **Victoria Bizgu, Veronique Morinville and Rosie Scuccimari.**

Victoria was promoted to an Assistant Professorship from Faculty Lecturer. A neonatologist at the Jewish General Hospital, Victoria received her promotion in recognition of both the diversity and excellence of her teaching activities. Victoria has developed some innovative teaching programs and tools in the context of her clinical activities that focus on sick premature infants. She has also provided much in the way of Continuing Professional Education directed at non-physicians. Originally from Moldova, part of the Former Soviet Union, now wedged between Romania and Russia, Victoria did much of her training in France before coming to Canada to complete a fellowship in neonatology at Hôpital Ste-Justine.

Veronique has been promoted to the Associate Professor rank. A sub-specialist in gastroenterology, Veronique was promoted for her outstanding teaching record, exemplified by her consistently robust evaluations and numerous CME invitations outside McGill. She has also achieved a significant level of leadership in disorders of the pediatric pancreas (exocrine) that is reflected in chapters written and the organization of international symposia on the topic. A McGill MDCM graduate, and Holmes Gold Medal winner in her graduating class, Veronique completed her residency in pediatrics here at the MCH, followed by fellowship training in GI at the MCH and a stint at the University of Pittsburgh.

Like Veronique, Rosie was also promoted to Associate Professor. A sub-specialist in Rheumatology, Rosie was singled out for the variety of teaching activities she engages in, which included a commitment to classroom teaching in the UGME MDCM curriculum. What was particularly striking about the dossier that Rosie presented, was her contributions to global health which featured substantive contributions to teaching and clinical service in East Africa, which included efforts to train here at the MCH that region's first pediatric rheumatologist. Rosie is also a McGill MDCM who completed her pediatric residency and rheumatology fellowship training here at the MCH, including elective time at the Hospital for Sick Children and Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Along the way, she also completed a Diploma in Epidemiology & Biostatistics.

Please join me in congratulating Victoria, Veronique and Rosie. All are clinician-educators and it is quite pleasing to have this often under-appreciated segment of our Faculty receive the University recognition they are most deserving of.

We are fast coming up to beginning the next cycle of promotional considerations and I urge Department members and Divisional Directors to have a look at the present criteria (<https://www.mcgill.ca/medicine-academic/promotion>) and reflect on their own CVs and membership to consider the possibility of being put forward for promotion

Have a great weekend everyone!

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