

Gastroenterology

The Department of Medicine Residency Training Program in gastroenterology provides a two-year integrated training program at the MUHC (Montreal General, Royal Victoria), and the Sir M. B. Davis - Jewish General Hospitals.

Three years in internal medicine are required to enter the Adult Gastroenterology Training Program. The program includes both continuing care and consultative service and active participation in the investigation, follow-up and management of hospitalized and ambulatory patients with gastrointestinal disorders and hepatic disorders. Trainees are supervised by members of the Faculty and, depending on their performance, they assume a progressive responsibility. All endoscopic units are equipped with videoendoscopy so that a trainee and his/her supervisor can observe simultaneously. Trainees will acquire an expertise in endoscopy of the upper and lower gastrointestinal tracts including colonoscopic polypectomy. They will also perform therapeutic endoscopy and endoscopic retrograde cannulation of the biliary and pancreatic ducts. Trainees are expected to familiarize themselves with the principles, performance and interpretation of a variety of laboratory function tests (motility, esophageal motility, ambulatory pH monitoring, tests of intestinal secretion and absorption) and biopsy procedures. The basic sciences related to the specialty are taught in an organized fashion and this is complemented by continuous and close interaction with members of basic science departments. A scientific approach and research interest is fostered. Trainees are encouraged to undertake a research project, although this is not compulsory.

Rotation periods in diagnostic radiology, endoscopic retrograde cholangio pancreatography, gastrointestinal pathology, nutrition and pediatric gastroenterology, are provided. In addition, a 3-month rotation in the second year is devoted to general hepatology and liver transplantation.

Weekly combined gastrointestinal conferences are held at one site as well as regular conferences in gastrointestinal radiology, pathology and the basic science aspects of the digestive system.

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