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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS



Welcome New Faculty!

- Dr. Trafford Crump** - Joined Thoracic Surgery as an Associate Professor (Research) on June 1, 2023
- Dr. Melody Djuimo** - Joined Urology at Gatineau Hospital as a Faculty Lecturer (Clinical) on June 1, 2023
- Dr. Amir Hooshir** - Joined the SIS as an Assistant Professor (Research) on July 1, 2023
- Dr. Anthony Bozzo** - Joined Orthopedic Surgery at the MGH as an Assistant Professor (Clinical) on July 1, 2023
- Dr. Roy Kazan** - Joined Plastic Surgery at Lachine as an Assistant Professor (Clinical) on July 1, 2023
- Dr. Maria Abou Khalil** - Joined General Surgery at the RVH as an Assistant Professor (Clinical) on July 1, 2023
- Dr. Dino Zammit** - Joined Plastic Surgery at the MCH as an Assistant Professor (Clinical) on August 1, 2023

Dr. Photis Loizides - Joined **Plastic Surgery Gatineau Hospital** as a **Faculty Lecturer (Clinical)** on August 1, 2023

Dr. David Koppel - Joined as an **Associate Member** from **Dental Medicine & Oral Health Sciences** at the **MGH** on August 1, 2023

Dr. Maude Trépanier - Joined **General Surgery** at **SMH** as an **Assistant Professor (Clinical)** on August 14, 2023

Dr. Jason Khoury - Joined **Orthopedic Surgery** at **SMH** as an **Assistant Professor (Clinical)** on September 1, 2023

Congrats!

Congratulations to our faculty members in Orthopedic Surgery, **Dr. Anthony Albers** and **Dr. Livia Garzia**, on their promotion to Associate Professor as of August 15, 2023.

PROMOTIONS

Spring 2023 session:



Dr. Anthony Albers
Associate Professor (Clinical)
Orthopedic Surgery



Dr. Livia Garzia
Associate Professor (Research)
Orthopedic Surgery

RESEARCH NEWS



Thank you Experimental Surgery...Introducing Surgical and Interventional Sciences!

The **Division of Experimental Surgery** has been renamed **Surgical and Interventional Sciences (SIS)**.

The name Experimental Surgery has served us well for almost a century. First established in 1929 by **Edward William Archibald**, first Chair of Surgery, the **Division of Experimental Surgery** introduced an atmosphere of scientific inquiry into the hospital, and encouraged cooperation between basic scientists and clinicians. Surgery and the science of surgery have evolved considerably in almost all areas and are fairly unrecognizable from that practiced a century ago. The new **Surgical and Interventional Sciences (SIS)** is representative of the future that awaits us, the multidisciplinary approaches to surgical and interventional care that will evolve, the advances in repair and ablation technologies, diagnosis and imaging, innovations in care delivery, and other areas of medical science.

Please join us in realizing this exciting next chapter in our long and sustained tradition of research excellence in McGill's Department of Surgery.

The **Division of Surgical and Interventional Sciences** offers **PhD, Masters degrees** as well as a **Diploma or Certificate in Surgical Innovation**. All programs begin in either September or January, and some are available online. For more information on the programs being offered, please visit: www.mcgill.ca/surgicalandinterventionalsciences/applying

Application Deadlines for Fall 2024:

International Students: January 15, 2024

Domestic Students: April 1, 2024



SURGICAL EDUCATION

Division of Surgical Education



Annual Education Retreat for Surgical Residency Programs

The Department of Surgery annual **Residency Education Retreat** will be held on **Friday, November 24th** from **13h to 17h**. This retreat is organized for all Program Directors, Assistant PDs, and Administrative Coordinators to identify common areas of concern and issues that we can work on together as a community to provide the best possible training experience for

the next generation of doctors and surgeons.

Surgical Grand Rounds continues to offer thought-provoking topics by outstanding speakers and virtual attendance has been a great success! Keep on the lookout for upcoming Grand Rounds at:

www.mcgill.ca/surgery/events.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

I am thrilled to share some exciting news regarding faculty development opportunities within our department and beyond. These initiatives are designed to empower you with essential skills and knowledge that will not only enhance your leadership capabilities, but also strengthen your teaching skills – both of which are crucial to our collective success as surgeons.

Surgical Leadership Program September 21- December 7, 2023



Back by popular demand, our Surgical Leadership Program has returned for its second year, and promises to be even more impactful. This year's cohort includes 13 aspiring leaders from both the

Surgical Teaching And Readiness (STAR) Course - December 14, 2023



Teaching lies at the heart of our mission, and our new **Surgical Teaching And Readiness (STAR)** Course has been meticulously crafted to help you excel in

Departments of Surgery and Anesthesia. Developed in collaboration with the prestigious McGill Desautels Faculty of Management, this program offers a unique opportunity to delve into the world of leadership, communication, and team management. The feedback from last year's participants has been overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the program's effectiveness in improving leadership styles and strategies. By joining this program, you will:

- Gain insights into various leadership styles and their applications in the surgical context.
- Develop effective communication strategies to enhance collaboration with your team and colleagues.
- Learn essential skills for successful team management.
- Network with fellow surgeons and professionals to foster valuable connections.
- Receive practical tips and tricks that you can immediately implement in your daily surgical practice.

Don't miss the chance to elevate your leadership abilities and take your career to the next level. The Surgical Leadership Program is offered every Fall, and I encourage you to seize the opportunity for personal and professional growth. Please Contact: officeofthechairsurgery.surgery@mcgill.ca for more information.

this vital aspect of our profession. Scheduled for December 14, this half-day hands-on course is designed to sharpen your teaching skills specifically in the operating room environment. Our esteemed committee, consisting of **Dr. Sarkis Meterissian, Dr. Melania Vassiliou, Dr. Mitch Berstein, Dr. Mélanie Aubé-Peterkin, Dr. Jason Harley**, and our dedicated residents, **Dr. Araz Kouyoumdjian, Dr. Annie Yin, and Dr. Ioana Fugaru**, has developed this course to cater to the unique challenges and opportunities of surgical education.

Save the date and join us to:

- Discover effective teaching methodologies tailored for the operating room.
- Enhance your ability to mentor and educate the next generation of surgeons.
- Learn how to create a dynamic and engaging learning environment for your students.
- Gain valuable insights from experienced educators and colleagues.

Investing in your teaching skills not only benefits you, but also contributes to the growth and development of our surgical community. Your expertise can shape the future of our field, and the STAR Course is your platform to achieve just that. Please contact kevin.lachapelle@mcgill.ca

In conclusion, I encourage all of you to seize these incredible faculty development opportunities, either the Surgical Leadership Program or the STAR Course, or both! Your active participation will not only elevate your personal and professional journey, but also strengthen our department. You may also be interested in outside opportunities to enhance your skills.

The **American College of Surgeons' annual meeting** and sessions provided by our own Faculty of Medicine.

[ACS Conference - October 22-25, 2023](#)
[Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences - Faculty Development Office](#)

We look forward to your active involvement, and together, we can continue to excel in providing the best care to our patients and educating the surgeons of tomorrow.

Warm regards,

CARDIAC SURGERY

ACHIEVEMENTS



Dr. Christo I. Tchervenkov

Tony Dobell Chair of Pediatric Surgery
Montreal Children's Hospital - MUHC
Tenured Professor of Surgery, McGill University
Founding President and Executive Director - World Society for
Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery

Congrats!

Dr Tchervenkov was awarded the **2023 Pediatric and Congenital Cardiac Care LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** for his decades of leadership, innovation and service at the 8th World Congress of Pediatric Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery, August 2023, Washington, DC, USA.



Dr. Tchervenkov presented the following **4 lectures** and **chaired 8 sessions** for the **8th Scientific Meeting of the World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery at the 8th World Congress of Pediatric Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery (WCPCCS)**:

Presentations:

- *Atrioventricular Septal Defect with Conotruncal Anomalies*
- *History of the International Society for Nomenclature of Paediatric and Congenital Heart Disease*
- *World University for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery*
- *The Development of The World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery: Building A Global Coalition to Improve Education and Patient Care For Congenital Heart Disease*

Chaired Sessions:

- Nomenclature of Paediatric and Congenital Cardiac Care: Session I
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- Surgery 1 - World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery with Asian Association for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery: TGA & ccTGA
- Surgery 2 - World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery with the Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS): the Atrioventricular Junction
- Surgery 7 - World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery with the African Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery: Global Initiatives

- Surgery 8 - World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery: Special Lectures and Presidential Address
- Governing Council Meeting - World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery
- Annual Members Meeting - World Society for Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery

STUDENT SUCCESS

Kudos to the students from Dr. Renzo Cecere's [Myocardial Regeneration Lab](#) at the RI-MUHC who have been recently recognized with the following awards:

[Ida Derish \(PhD Candidate\)](#)

Project: "*Patient-Specific Differences in response to hypoxic injury in iPSC-derived Cardiomyocytes*"

- 1) First place for her basic science oral presentation at the Maurice McGregor Research Day
- 2) Deane Nesbitt Research Award - from the CODE LiFE Foundation
- 3) Tuition Support from the Department of Surgery

[Ludovic Mouttet \(MSc Candidate\)](#)

Project: "*Study of doxorubicin cardiotoxicity using iPSC-derived Cardiomyocytes*."

- 1) Fraser Gurd Surgical Symposium Interdisciplinary - Cancer Research Award
- 2) Internal Studentship of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences - Research Award
- 3) Tuition Support from the Department of Surgery

[Mehran Mottahedi \(MSc Candidate\)](#)

Project: "*Plasma and tissue analysis of dilated cardiomyopathy diseased phenotype*"

- 1) Tuition Support Department of Surgery

Congratulations also go out to two of Dr. Cecere's graduate students in [Surgical Robotics](#):

[Amir Sayadi \(PhD Candidate\)](#)

Project: "Semi-Autonomous System for Robot-Assisted Transcatheter Mitral Valve Repair and Replacement"

- 1) Tuition Support Department of Surgery
- 2) FRQNT 2023 Award

[Alireza Seyed Zahedi \(MSc Candidate\)](#)

Project: "*Semi-Autonomous Soft Robotic System for Atrial Septal Defect (ASD) Treatment*"

- 1) Tuition Support from the Department of Surgery
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CARDIAC SURGERY RESIDENCY PROGRAM



New Cardiac Surgery Residents:

- Dr Jeremy Levett
- Dr Adel Alqabandi
- Dr Klaudiusz Stoklosa

GENERAL SURGERY

ACHIEVEMENTS

Congrats! Dr Nancy Morin has been appointed the new Program Director for the Colorectal Surgery Residency program as of September 1, 2023.

GENERAL & COLORECTAL SURGERY RESIDENCY PROGRAMS



New Colorectal Surgery Residents

- Liza Abraham
- Anthony Bismar
- Abrar Alhashemi

New General Surgery Residents:

- Husain Alabdallahman
- Saud Abdullah AlButhi
- Hashem Busalha
- Alex Chen
- Victoria Hayman
- Fatemah Husain
- Abdulaziz Kabli
- Andrew Meng
- Ahmad Safar

Fellowships - New Fellows

Bariatric Fellowship: Sultan Almualllem, and Abdulaziz Ali

Minimally Invasive Surgery (MIS): Jingyang Tang

Advanced Minimally Invasive Training in Hepato-Pancreatico-Biliary (HPB) Surgery: Abdulrahim Ahmed
Abdulmomen

Advanced Thoracic and Upper Gastrointestinal Surgical Oncology: Shamlan AlQinai

Trauma Fellowship: Nhayan Qassim Shahin Abdulla

ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY

ACHIEVEMENTS



Edward J Harvey HBSc, MDCM, MSc, FRCSC

Professor (tenure)

Research Director - Injury Repair and Recovery Program (RI-MUHC)



Congratulations to Dr Harvey for being recognized as an "elite reviewer" for the **Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery**, one of the leading journals in the field.



Rahul Gawri, MD, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor

Co-director, Regenerative Orthopaedics and Innovation Laboratory

Congratulations to Dr. Gawri on receiving the following two grants as principal investigator:

Grants

NSERC Discovery Grant- Individual with ECR supplement (2023-2028)

Project: *"Immunoattractant and mitoprotective roles of inorganic polyphosphates"*

Réseau de Thérapie Cellulaire, Tissulaire et Génique du Québec (ThéCell) (2023-2024)

Project: *"Biomechanical Priming of Primary Human Anterior Cruciate Ligament Cells for Tissue Engineering Applications"*

Co-investigators include: Dr. Paul Martineau (McGill), Dr. Derek Rosenzweig (McGill), and Dr. Julie Fradette (Laval)

Awards:

Dr Gawri received the **Alice L. Jee Young Investigator Award** by the Orthopaedics Research Society (USA) at the 50th Musculoskeletal Biology Workshop, July 2023, to acknowledge the impact of his project entitled, *"Development of a novel inorganic polyphosphate-releasing thermoresponsive hydrogel to improve fracture healing outcomes"* on the field of bone bioengineering."



Student Awards:

Tarek Klaylat - Reducing Barriers Award, 27th Annual Canadian Connective Tissue Conference (CCTC), June 2023

Rachad Aita - Travel Award, 27th Annual Canadian Connective Tissue Conference (CCTC), June 2023

Rayan Ben Letaifa - Best Poster Presentation Award, 27th Annual Canadian Connective Tissue Conference (CCTC), June 2023

Conference Presentations:

- (Podium) [27th Annual Canadian Connective Tissue Conference, June 2023, Toronto, Ontario, Canada](#)
Mechanically Active Culture of Patient-derived Cruciate Ligament Cells for Ligament Tissue Engineering
Tarek Klaylat, Mustafa Fakh, Noémie Joannette-Lafrance, Paul Martineau, Derek Rosenzweig, **Rahul Gawri**
- (Poster) [27th Annual Canadian Connective Tissue Conference, June 2023, Toronto, Ontario, Canada](#)
Evaluation of the immuno-tactic effects of inorganic polyphosphates as a therapeutic target for early fracture healing - Rayan Ben Letaifa, Tarek Klaylat, Paul A. Martineau, Xavier Banquy, **Rahul Gawri**
- (Poster) [27th Annual Canadian Connective Tissue Conference, June 2023, Toronto, Ontario, Canada](#)
Development of a novel inorganic polyphosphate-releasing thermoresponsive hydrogel aimed at improving fracture outcomes - Rayan Ben Letaifa, Deepak Chauhan, Chang-sheng Wang, Hu Zhang, Derek H. Rosenzweig, Paul A. Martineau, Xavier Banquy, **Rahul Gawri**

(Podium) [27th Annual Canadian Connective Tissue Conference, June 2023, Toronto, Ontario, Canada](#)

Heterotopic Ossification Following Spinal Cord Injury: A Novel Mouse Model - Rachad Aita, Tarek Klaylat, Joseph A. Petrucci, Guillaume St-Jean, Mohan Radhakrishna, **Rahul Gawri**, and Chan Gao.

ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY RESIDENCY PROGRAM

 WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS & FELLOWS

New Orthopedic Surgery Residents:

- Mohammed Aldeghaither
- Rheema Ahmad Alfadhil
- Khaled S M S Alrajhi
- Isabella Bozzo
- Christina Greenfield

New Orthopedic Surgery Fellows:

- **JGH Arthroplasty:** Mohammed Ali Alhasson, Dimitris Dimitriou, and Ibrahim Almazrui
- **JGH Foot & Ankle:** Amur Salim Al Riyami
- **SMH Arthroscopy:** Saud Alfayez, and Mohammad Yousef Abuhaneya
- **Pediatrics & Limb Deformity:** Mohammed Al Otaibi, Alan Katz, Nadav Rinott, and Peter Staunton
- **Pediatric Orthopaedic Spine & Scoliosis:** Abdullah Alshammari
- **MGH Arthroplasty:** Hashem Alali
- **Ortho Oncology, Complex Lower Limb Reconstruction and Osseointegration:** Nabil Algarni
- **MGH Oncology:** Omar Alrifai

- **Integrated Spine Fellowship:** Uri Barak
- **Sports Medicine & Arthroscopy Research & Clinical:** Yahav Levy

EVENTS

6th Annual Bicycle Ride and Brunch

Orthopaedic Surgery held their 6th Annual Bicycle Ride and Brunch on Saturday, August 12th. A total of 15 staff and residents attended the event and everyone had a great time!

McGill Orthopaedic Residency Program Retreat

On August 19th, the Orthopaedic Residency Program held their Annual Resident Retreat. It was a day full of adventure and camaraderie starting with white water rafting on the class 3 and 4 rapids of the Rouge River. Comfort zones were challenged, memories were made, and everyone got wet. Afterwards, they enjoyed a BBQ meal and warmed up around the fire and in the hot tubs. The fun continued with sand volleyball and horseshoes as the residents enjoyed their time together away from the hospital.



PLASTIC, RECONSTRUCTIVE & AESTHETIC SURGERY



Dr. Joshua Vorstenbosch MD, PhD, FRCSC

Assistant Professor (Clinical)

Please welcome Dr. Vorstenbosch as our new **Plastic Surgery Residency Program Director**. Dr. Vorstenbosch takes over the position from **Dr. Stephanie Thibaudeau**.

The entire McGill Division of Plastic Surgery would like to thank Dr. Thibaudeau sincerely for her tireless effort, dedication and work that has allowed this program to be where it is today. It has been a pleasure to work with her and to be able to honor her contributions, including the recent well-deserved **Faculty Honour List award**.

THORACIC SURGERY

No updates - see you in the next issue.

UROLOGY

Program News and Events - **33rd McGill Urology Research Day**

November 8, 2023



Dr Simon Tanguay, Professor and Head, McGill Division of Urology and, **Dr Simone Chevalier**, Professor and McGill Director of Urology Research will host the **33rd McGill Urology Research Day on November 8, 2023** at the Drs. Richard & Sylvia Cruess Amphitheatre, RI-MUHC Glen site.

Since 1990, the Division has hosted an annual research gathering allowing graduate students, residents, post-doctoral fellows, and research associates and assistants to present their research endeavors. They will be welcoming visiting Professor, **Dr Scott E. Eggener** from the University of Chicago Medical Centre, Illinois, with a central theme on Prostate Cancer. The event provides an opportunity for their students, residents and fellows to present their excellent research work and progress accomplished across their teams.

ACHIEVEMENTS



Cristian O'Flaherty DVM, PhD
Professor (Research)

Keynote Address

Dr. O'Flaherty presented his talk "*Oxidative stress and sperm function and male fertility*", as a keynote speaker at the **3rd AndroLATAM Meeting. Virtual Conference** of the Latin American Network of Andrologists,

Recent Publications

- [Hao-Yu Liao](#), O'Flaherty C. *Lysophosphatidic Acid Signalling Regulates Human Sperm Viability via the Phosphoinositide 3-Kinase/AKT Pathway*. Cells 12(17):2196, 1-12, 2023.
- [Petrone O](#), [Serafini S](#), Yu B, Filonenko V, Gout I, O'Flaherty C. *Changes of the Protein CoAlation Pattern in Response to Oxidative Stress and Capacitation in Human Spermatozoa*. Int J Mol Sci 24 (15), 12526, 2023.



Simone Chevalier, PhD
Professor (Research)
McGill Urology Director of Research
Senior Scientist Leader of the Urologic Oncology Research Team Cancer Research Program RI-MUHC

Studentships & Prizes

Dr. Chevalier would like to congratulate her students on their recent successes.

Sedigheh Sadat Mortazavi (PhD)

- 2023 Cedars Cancer Foundations - Dr. Henry R. Shibata Fellowship Award \$10,000
- 2023 100 Days Across Canada Award \$10,000

Congrats!

Samira Rahimarad (PhD)

- 2023/05 - 2027/04 Fonds de recherche du Québec – Santé (FRQS) \$25,000 /yr for 4 years

Seta Derderian (PhD)

- Canadian Cancer Research Alliance Travel Award \$1000



David P. Labbé, Ph.D.,
Associate Professor (Research)

Invited talks – International (Selected)

"Interplay between transcriptional, metabolic and epigenetic dependencies in prostate cancer". Weill Cornell Medicine Specialized Program of Research Excellence (SPORE) in Prostate Cancer, Weill Cornell Medicine, New York (USA; Virtual), April 19th, 2023.

Grants

Terry Fox Research Institute - Marathon of Hope Cancer Centres Network Application

Project: *Precision lifestyle to optimize prostate cancer treatments*

Total amount: \$4,248,000, Operating Grant

Duration: 2023/04-2026/03

Principal Investigators (co-lead): Fradet, V. (Université Laval); **Labbé, DP.**

Co-applicants: Fradet, Y. (Université Laval); Fleshner, N. (University of Toronto); Gleave, M. (University of British Columbia); **Aprikian, A.** (McGill University)

Student Prizes

Jiaxuan Li (M.Sc.)

Fonds de recherche du Québec – Santé (FRQS)

Bourse de Formation Maîtrise

Amount : \$40,000 (2023/05-2025/04)

Luisa Bacca (M.Sc.)

Internal Studentship

Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, McGill University

Amount: – \$10,000 (2023/09-2024/08)



Key Publications

- Khan, MGM.; [Boufaied, N.](#), Yeganeh, M.; Kandhi, R.; Petkiewicz, S.; Sharma, A.; Yoshimura, A.; Ferbeyre, G.; Labbé, DP.; Ramanathan, S.; Ilangumaran, S. *SOCS1 deficiency promotes hepatocellular carcinoma via SOCS3-dependent CDKN1A induction and NRF2 activation*; *Cancers* 15(3) (2023) 905 [doi: 10.3390/cancers15030905; January 31st, 2023]. IF2021: **6.575**
- Vialard, F.; Allaey, I.; Dong, G.; Phan, MF.; Singh, U.; Hébert, M-J.; Dieudé, M.; Langlais, D.; Boilard, É.; Labbé, DP.; Olivier, M. *Thermonutrality and severe malaria: investigating the effect of warmer environmental temperatures on the inflammatory response and disease progression*; *Frontiers in Immunology* 14 (2023) 1128466 [doi: 10.3389/fimmu.2023.1128466; June 7th, 2023]. IF2022: **8.787**
- He, Y.; Goyette, M-A.; Chapelle, J.; [Boufaied, N.](#); Al Rahbani, J.; Schönewolff, M.; Danek, El.; Muller, WJ.; Labbé, DP.; Côté, J-F.; Lamarche-Vane, N. *CdGAP is a Talin-binding protein and a target of TGF- β signaling that promotes HER2-positive breast cancer growth and metastasis*; *Cell Reports* 42(8) (2023) 112936 [doi: 10.1016/j.celrep.2023.112936; August 7th, 2023]. IF2021 (5 Year): **10.990**

VASCULAR SURGERY



Dr. Kent MacKenzie
Associate Professor (Clinical)

Dr. Mackenzie participated in and presented on *Retrograde Type A Dissection (RTAD) After TEVAR*, at the 3rd Multidisciplinary Aortic Dissection (MAD) Meeting, which took place at the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center, Portland, Oregon- June 2-3,

2023,

ACHIEVEMENTS



Dr. Daniel Obrand, Dr. Elie Girsowicz, and Dr. Jason Bayne were all awarded the Department of Surgery UGME Award this year at the Fraser Gurd Banquet.

Dr. Vicente Mosquera Rey was awarded the Best Teacher Award for the Vascular Surgery Division.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Dr. Ahmed Naiem (PGY-5)

Dr. Naiem presented the following three posters at the 2023 SVS Vascular Annual Meeting (VAM) - June 19-22, 2023:

- *A novel score predicts need of open revascularization following endovascular revascularization in patients with infrainguinal chronic limb-threatening ischemia*. Ahmed A. Naiem, Kent MacKenzie, Daniel Obrand, Oren Steinmetz, Jason Bayne, Robert-James Doonan, Heather Gill & Elie Girsowicz
- *Factors associated with delayed treatment in patients with chronic limb-threatening ischemia*. Ahmed A. Naiem, Joanne Abi-Jaoude, Kent Mackenzie, Daniel Obrand, Oren Steinmetz, Jason Bayne, Robert-James

Doonan, Heather Gill & Elie Girsowicz

- *Delays in treatment are associated with increased mortality in patients undergoing endovascular repair of abdominal aortic aneurysms.* Ahmed A. Naiem, Shiyang Shen, Mohammed Habib, Robert-James Doonan, Daniel Obrand, Kent MacKenzie, Oren Steinmetz, Jason Bayne, Elie Girsowicz & Heather Gill

Invited Speakers - Vascular Surgery Rounds

- Dr. Shipra Arya joined the Vascular Surgery rounds as a Visiting Professor on a SVS Travelling Scholarship.
- Dr. Ahmed Kayssi was our Vascular Surgery invited speaker on Friday August 25th, 2023. He presented on "The Opportunities and Challenges facing Limb Preservation Work Across Canada".

VASCULAR SURGERY RESIDENCY PROGRAM

 WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

New Vascular Surgery Resident

- Dr Morgan Gold

Publications

- Abi-Jaoude JC, Naiem AA, Edwards T, Lukaszewski MA, Obrand DI, Steinmetz OK, Bayne JP, MacKenzie KS, Gill HL, Girsowicz E. *A systematic review and meta-analysis of the effect of obesity on patients undergoing lower extremity revascularization.* J Vasc Surg. 2023 Jul;78(1):243-252.e5.

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