The A List

Awards and Honours



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From the office...

This month we're excited to be celebrating faculty who have won national awards. If you know of others in your unit that have received national or international recognition please let us know. Share the good news. Happy Spring!

Upcoming deadlines:

- Killam Research Fellowships May 15th
- E.W.R. Steacie Memorial Fellowships June 7th
- Killam Prizes June 15th
- Prix Galien Canada July 31st
- Marilyn Harvey Award to Recognize the Importance of Research Ethics - Aug 17th

For more information on these and other awards, please see the Awards and Honours website:

http://www.mun.ca/honours/welcome/

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NATIONAL RHEUMATOLOGY AWARD



Dr. Proton Rahman, Associate Dean for Clinical Research in the Faculty of Medicine, has been awarded the Canadian Rheumatology 2016 Distinguished Investigator Award. The award is given in recognition of a distinguished investigator who has made an outstanding contribution to rheumatology in Canada. Dr. Rahman is an international leader on the genetic basis of inflammatory arthritis. His pioneering research has led to the identification of numerous novel genes that contribute to the pathogenesis of psoriatic arthritis and anklyosing spondyltis. In collaboration with an international psoriasis

consortium, he has identified over half of all psoriatic arthritis genes reaching genome wide significance.

Additionally, Dr. Rahman has pioneered the development of the Newfoundland Genealogical Database (NGD) by creatively using information collected for census data. The NGD provides clinicians and researchers with rapid access to a detailed patient pedigree and genealogy linkage with health outcome and pedigree visualization. Professor Rahman has proven himself to be a brilliant researcher who has quietly developed a cutting-edge research program for understanding the genomics of rheumatic and other diseases and is making a significant impact on improving the lives of Canadians living with arthritis.

RESEARCH SCIENCE AMBASSADOR

Congratulations to Dr. Bill Montevecchi, a University Research Professor with the Department of Psychology, Faculty of Science, on receiving the 2016 Partners in Research Science Ambassador Award. The award recognizes a Canadian researcher, his or her outstanding body of work over a period of time, which has contributed to the field of science, and their promotion of this research to the Canadian public. His work has championed new directions and perspectives in the use of birds as bio-indicators of ocean health and of changing fish, climate and ecological conditions.



Geological Association of Canada medal



The 2016 W.W. Hutchison Medal has been awarded to Dr. Stephen J. Piercey, Professor and NSERC-Altius Industrial Research Chair in the Metallogeny of Ores in Volcanic and Sedimentary Basins in the Department of Earth Science.

Dr. Piercey was awarded the medal for being a young academic who has made outstanding contributions to Canadian earth science research in the

lithostratigraphy, volcanology, and sedimentary evolution of mineral deposits. He has made significant contributions to the field of economic geology, particularly the genesis and tectonic setting of volcanogenic massive sulfide deposits and associated magmatic rocks. His research has led to a much better understanding of the relationships between style and type of mineralization and tectono-magmatic processes globally.