

UBC Cardiology Research News

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Message from Research Team

Dear Colleagues,

It is a pleasure to provide a summary of the last quarter's research achievements in Cardiology. Kudos to Drs. Humphries, Laksman, Leipsic, Saw and Wood for the national and international recognition received as summarized on our cover page. These members are joined by several others providing invited lectures across the province, across Canada, throughout the USA and even as far away as Hong Kong. We also showcase the research mentorship of residents/fellows by our faculty who have supervised projects that were celebrated with awards from the Department of Medicine for Dr. Dylan Stanger (supervised by Dr. Fordyce) and Dr. Chris Cheung (supervised by Dr. Jason Andrade).

It was a busy time for the CAPP Pilot Project competition and we were fortunate to be able to make three awards this time (Drs. Deyell, Fordyce and Grewal). We are indebted not only to the internal primary and secondary reviewers who provide detailed critiques but also to a large number of colleagues across the country who help us determine relative ranking and quality of the submitted projects. Congratulations are also due for external awards received by Drs. Hawkins and Fordyce. And we also showcase a special competition fostered by the enlightened and progressive mechanism of utilizing some of the clinical trials research overhead for supporting new faculty start-up needs through the Centre for Heart and Lung Health. One of these competitive awards went this year to Dr. Christina Luong who we welcome as our newest faculty member.

We are developing much greater strength in submitting peer-reviewed grants of high calibre through the oversight provided by Dr. Sidhu. This successful activity has shown us how much more we need to do to create even more infrastructure to facilitate the translation of good research ideas into competitive projects and then to help manage all the tasks required to successfully complete projects. In conjunction with Dr. Krahm's Executive Committee and with the Finance Committee headed by Dr. Boone, we are developing further strategies to determine how to best support more personnel that could be helpful in everything from ethics, common CV's and literature searches to financial management and personnel management. Our vision is to kick-start individuals with these supports from divisional resources and through a divisional pool of research facilitators while fostering more programs under the leadership of PI's who are successful in funding their ideas and who can then transition to hiring dedicated personnel focussed on their expanding research programs. How to best balance this hybrid system of research support and how to best fund it will require much more work. But it is exciting work and we look forward to updating the division on solutions and progress in these areas.

Sincerely

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Awards & Distinctions

Humphries, Karin

Providence Health Care Research and Mission Award



Laksman, Zachary

Top 40 under 40



Leipsic, Jonathan

Society of Cardiovascular Tomography 2019 Gold Award winner



Saw, Jacqueline

4 co-author publications in the June Issue of JACC Cardiovascular Interventions



Wood, David

2019 Luminary Award, Complex Cardiovascular Catheter Therapeutics (C3) Global Summit, Orlando



Cardiology Resident day award winners

Stanger, Dylan

Best Podium: "Door-to-Targeted Temperature Management Initiation Time and Outcomes in Out-of-hospital Cardiac Arrest: Insight from the CCC Trial"
Supervisor - Dr. Chris Fordyce

Cardiology Resident day award winners (contd.)

Cheung, Chris

Best Poster: Dr. Chris Cheung " Standard versus Intensive Monitoring Post-Myocardial Infarction Looking for New-Onset Atrial Fibrillation (SIMPL-AF) – A Randomized Controlled Trial."

Supervisor - Dr. Jason Andrade

Grants Awarded

Deyell, M

- "Treatment of Refractory Ventricular Tachycardia Using Stereotactic Ablative Radiotherapy" CAPP Pilot Grant Competition

Fordyce, C

- "Epidemiology and Management of Out-of-hospital Cardiac Arrest in Contemporary Cardiac Intensive Care Units: Insights from the Critical Care Cardiology Trials Network" CAPP Pilot Grant Competition

Fordyce, C

- "NOAC renal dose adjustment formulae and outcomes" Bayer Industry funds

Grewal, J

- "Echocardiographic Predictors of Long Term Outcomes in Patients with Severe Isolated Tricuspid Regurgitation" CAPP Pilot Grant Competition

Hawkins, N and Fordyce, C

- "Opportunities to prevent sudden cardiac death: BC Cardiac Arrest Registry" 2019 CCS-CANet Early Career Atrial Fibrillation and Arrhythmia (CCS-CANet ECA3) award competition

Hawkins, N and Ho, K

- "Predicting response to treatment in patients with Atrial Fibrillation using a data science approach" Huawei-UBC Data Science Grant funds

Luong, Christina

- "Ischemic HEART disease evaluation on echocardiogram: Machine Learning detection and Quantification (IHEART-MLQ)" 2019 CHLH Early Career Investigator Award

Invited Presentations

Deyell, Marc

- "Canadian Cardiovascular Society Guidelines for the Management of Ventricular Tachycardia and Fibrillation". April 13, 2019. Canadian VT Symposium, Vancouver.

Krahn, Andrew

- "Advances in the Genetics of Inherited Heart Disease". April 4, 2019 ACMG Clinical Genetics meeting Seattle, Washington.
- "Inherited Cardiac Arrhythmias: The Role of Genetic Testing" April 6, 2019 Advanced Electrophysiology Conference, Washington DC.
- "How to Avoid and Manage CIED Implantation-Related Complications" May 6-20th Anniversary ARVC Symposium, Baltimore MD.
- "AVRC Registry/Biobank", "Update From The Prevention Of Arrhythmia Device Infection Trial (padit); Development Of The Padit Infection Risk Score", "Diagnostics", "From Insertable Loop Recorder to Insertable Cardiac Monitor and Beyond", "Device Troubleshooting - Understanding the Post Implant Nuances!" May 8- 10, Heart Rhythm Society Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Laksman, Zachary

- Speaker and Coordinator, Canada's First Annual Subcutaneous ICD Fellows Course, May 2019, Toronto, ON.
- "The future of Antiarrhythmics", May 8- 10, Heart Rhythm Society Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- "High throughput screening", BC Regenerative Medicine Symposium, May 15, 2019, Vancouver BC.
- "Replacing animal models with stem cell disease modelling in atrial fibrillation", May, 2019, US National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine, Washington DC.
- "The future of Personalized Medicine, Genomics and Innovation", May 2019, 19th Annual International Health Care Summit, Kelowna, BC.
- "Cardiac Arrest and Sudden Cardiac Death in your Community", "Genetic Testing in 2019: Could it be any more complex?" June 2019, Hearts in Rhythm Organization, Kelowna, BC.

Mancini, G.B. John

- "Can we eliminate LDL related cardiovascular risk?" Royal Jubilee Hospital Cardiology Division Journal Club May 30, 2019, Victoria BC
- "New paradigms in CAD management" Academic Grand Rounds, Royal Jubilee Hospital Cardiology Division Journal Club May 31, 2019, Victoria BC

Saw, Jacqueline

- "LAA closure with Amulet device", "ICE guidance for LAA Closure" Prince of Wales Hospital, Hong Kong, April 2019.

- “CT imaging for LAA Closure”, “ICE guidance for LAA Closure”, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, April 2019.
- “Periprocedural imaging for LAA Closure”, “Learning more about LAA Closure” Heart Rhythm Society Meeting, San Francisco, CA, May 2019.
- “SCAD: A heart condition or systemic disorder?”, EuroPCR, Paris May 2019.
- “Antithrombotic therapy and surveillance after LAAC”, TVT Chicago, June 2019.

Sedlak, Tara

- “Heart Disease in Women: Ms. Understood”, May 2019, Telus Women’s Health Symposium, Vancouver, BC.

Tsang, Teresa

- “Automatic biplane left ventricular ejection fraction estimation with mobile point-of-care ultrasound using multitask learning and adversarial training”, The 10th International Conference on Information Processing in Computer-Assisted Interventions, Rennes, France, June, 2019.

Wood, David

- “The Latest Clinical Trials of TAVR vs. SAVR: The Essentials”, “Transfemoral TAVR as the Default Procedure”, “TAVR-How it All Started” Complex Cardiovascular Catheter Therapeutics (C3)- Advanced Endovascular and Coronary Intervention Global Summit Conference, Orlando, June 24, 2019.
- “When Transfemoral Access is Problematic – Facilitation with Intravascular Balloon Lithotripsy”, “Conduction Block After TAVR: Do I Discharge Early, Monitor, Invasively Investigate or Pace?” June 13, 2019, TTV Chicago.
- “Coronary Revascularization: Before, During or After TAVR?”, June 24, 2019, SCAI, Las Vegas.

Upcoming Grant Competitions

Heart and Stroke

_____ **4 weeks**

CIHR Project Grant

_____ **6 weeks**

CIHR- Sex and Gender Chair

_____ **~ 2 months**

2019

July

Aug

Sep

Oct

Deadline
Aug 29

Deadline
Sep 14



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