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Dear Colleagues,

CSI 2015 Annual Meeting - Online Registration is now OPEN

The meeting this year will take place from Thursday, June 4 to Sunday, June 7, 2015 at The Fairmont Winnipeg Hotel in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Preliminary Program:

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Michel Nussenzweig, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, The Rockefeller University, USA

Symposium: Microbiome and Chronic Disease

Dr. Martin J. Blaser, New York University Langone Medical Center, USA

- Dr. Jayne Danska (Chair), Hospital for Sick Children and University of Toronto, Canada
- Dr. Max Nieuwdorp, Academic Medical Centre, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- Dr. Michael Surette, Farncombe Family Digestive Health Research Institute, McMaster University, Canada
- Dr. Kenneth Cadwell, New York University Langone Medical Center, USA

Symposium: Development and function of innate lymphocyte populations

Dr. Albert Bendelac, The University of Chicago, USA

- Dr. Marco Colonna, Washington University School of Medicine, USA
- Dr. Kelly McNagny (Chair), The University of British Columbia, Canada
- Dr. Jenny Mjosberg, Karolinska Institute, Sweden
- Dr. Greg Sonnenberg, University of Pennsylvania, USA
- Dr. Fumio Takei (Chair), Terry Fox Laboratory, BC Cancer Agency, Canada

Professional Development Workshop for Graduate Students and PDFs: Dr. Nana Lee, Lecturer & Coordinator, Graduate Professional Development, University of Toronto, Canada

Symposium: Translating the Science of Cellular Immunotherapy to the Clinic

Dr. Donna Wall, Pediatrics and Child Health, University of Manitoba/CancerCare Manitoba, Canada

Dr. Michel Tremblay, Rosalind and Morris Goodman Cancer Research Centre, Canada

Dr. Stephan Grupp, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, USA

Dr. Jacques Galipeau, Emory University, USA

Plus 2 selected abstract submissions

Important Deadlines:

Conference Registration: Now open

Travel Bursary submission: Jan. 1 - Jan. 30/15

Abstract submission: Apr. 3/15 Early registration: Apr. 3/15 Hotel registration: May 4/15

Please post an English or French meeting announcement in your department.

Activities:

The Local Organizing Committee has arranged a group rate for two different tour options: #1 Winnipeg City Sightseeing Tour; #2 Canadian Museum of Human Rights-Explore the Galleries on Saturday afternoon for those participants interested in registering. To see more details click here.

Travel Bursary for Students, Postdocs and Jr. Investigators to attend the CSI Annual Meeting

10 - 15 travel awards (up to \$1000) will be available for students and postdocs and up to three Investigator travel awards (up to \$1,500). Award decisions are based on merit ranking determined by a panel of senior immunologists. Results of the travel award competition will be announced before the early CSI meeting registration deadline of April 3/15. To be eligible for an award you and your

supervisor (if your lab is Canadian) must be CSI members. The Travel Bursary applications will be accepted between **January 1 - 30/15** for this year's meeting.

Reminder: CSI 2015 Membership Dues

If you haven't already done so, please remember to renew your CSI membership dues for 2015. Please click on the link to renew your CSI membership for 2015, www.csi-sci.ca/application.aspx and select that you have held a membership in the last three years. Login with your email address and password.

CSI would like to encourage all those engaged in Immunology research in Canada to join CSI to strengthen our voice in lobbying efforts and to ensure that we provide the best possible forum to further Immunology in Canada. CSI would appreciate your help by circulating the attached recruitment letter to other members of your department, including Trainees.

For more detailed information, check the conference website <u>here</u>.

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