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# JOINT CIHR-CSI NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON VACCINES

## at the 2026 Canadian Society for Immunology Conference

### MONDAY, 27 APRIL 2026

9:00 AM – 4:30 PM | RBC CONVENTION CENTRE WINNIPEG

This **national vaccine symposium** will convene leading experts in immunology, population health, pandemic preparedness, and other fields to explore the latest science and innovation in vaccine development, discuss vaccines through a population health lens, and tackle issues such as vaccine misinformation and hesitancy amid emerging and re-emerging threats.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



**KEYNOTE ADDRESSES** from **Natasha Crowcroft**, Infectious Diseases and Vaccination Programs (PHAC) and **Kai Wu**, Virology Vaccine Development (Moderna)

## FOCUSED SESSIONS

**Why Vaccines Work Differently:**  
Biological, Population & Social Determinants



**Matthew Miller**  
McMaster U.



**Manish Sadarangani**  
UBC



**Devon Greyson**  
UBC



**Timothy Caulfield**  
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**Eve Dubé**  
U. Laval



**Scott Halperin**  
Dalhousie U.

## COMMUNITY-BASED DISCUSSION

How can scientists build trust in vaccines in partnership with diverse communities that have historically had negative experiences with, or mistrust of, vaccines?



**Laurie Proulx**  
Canadian Arthritis Patient Alliance



**Idrissa Beogo**  
U. Ottawa



**Jaris Swidrovich**  
U. Toronto