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# INMD *Connections*

## Message from Philip Sherman, INMD Scientific Director




From left: Drs. Christopher Perry, Line Guénette, Stephanie Atkinson, Lakshman Gunaratnam, Mark Ungrin, Dirk Lange, and Phil Sherman

INMD held its third New Investigator Workshop in Oak Island, Nova Scotia January 26-28, 2015. The workshop brought together 39 new faculty members (within the first five years of their first faculty appointment) from across the country. The workshop objectives and agenda were planned in collaboration with INMD partners, including health charities and medical professional societies, who participated as faculty. INMD Institute Advisory Board members, Stephanie Atkinson (McMaster Univ.), Chris Kennedy (Univ. Ottawa), and Peter Jones (Univ. Manitoba) also served as faculty. Hertzell Gerstein (McMaster Univ.) provided an inspiring keynote address to the participants, who then focused on interactive sessions related to knowledge translation, patient and citizen engagement, and a mock grant review exercise. Posters presented by

each of the new investigators across the four pillars/themes of health research and across the INMD mandate indicate there is a cadre of exceptional talent that bodes well for health research in the years to come. Among the excellent posters, five participants were recognized for exceptional presentation of their work: Drs. Line Guénette (Laval Univ.), Lakshman Gunaratnam (Western Univ.), Dirk Lange (Univ. British Columbia), Christopher Perry (York Univ.), and Mark Ungrin (Univ. Calgary). INMD thanks all of the mentors, faculty, partners, and participants for their enthusiastic and engaged participation at the Workshop.

"I really enjoyed giving the Keynote presentation and interacting with new researchers at the INMD New Investigator Workshop. The energy and enthusiasm in the young researchers was refreshing and contagious. It was also very satisfying to be able to provide "speed" mentoring to them regarding their current and planned research programs during the Workshop."  
- Prof. H. Gerstein, McMaster Univ.

On a final note, the monthly INMD newsletter was launched in January 2009 to keep the research community informed and up-to-date about current events and activities relevant to the INMD mandate. In the spirit of continued improvement, please complete a short [on-line survey](#) located on the CIHR website before **February 27, 2015** to let us know how the institute can better meet your needs. Thank you in advance for your input.

  
Philip M. Sherman, MD, FRCPC  
Scientific Director, INMD



From left: Drs. Phil Sherman, Stephanie Atkinson, and Hertzell Gerstein

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# Operating Grant: Pathways Implementation Research Team - Component 1 (Diabetes/Obesity); Planning and Dissemination Grant - INMD

INMD congratulates the following successful applicants who received funding in these competitions:

## Operating Grant: Pathways Implementation Research Team – Component 1 (Diabetes/Obesity)

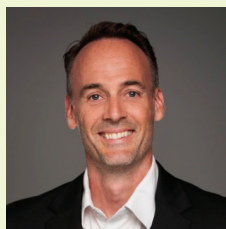
Principal & Co-Investigators	Institution	Project Title
<b>Kurtz, Donna</b> ; Bryant Maclean, Leslie; Wilson, Danielle; Guerra, Olivia; Hutchinson, Peter; Jones, Charlotte A; Jung, Mary	Univ. British Columbia	Embracing A Vision For Indigenous Health: Community Access To Prevention, Self-Management And Integrated Diabetes Services In The BC Interior

## Planning and Dissemination Grant - INMD

<b>Boule, Normand</b> ; Little, Jonathan; Gibala, Martin; Jung, Mary; MCGavock, Jonathan; Prado, Carla; Sigal, Ronald; Weisnagel, John; Yardley, Jane	Univ. Alberta	The Canadian E-Paradigm (Exercise-Physical Activity And Diabetes Glucose Monitoring) Protocol
<b>Canadian Obesity Network</b> ; Ramos Salas, Ximena; Sharma, Arya	Canadian Obesity Network	Obesity Research Boot Camp
<b>Janaudis-Ferreira, Tania</b> ; Mathur, Sunita; Blydt-Hansen, Tom	Sunnybrook Research Institute	Dissemination Of The Best Available Evidence For Exercise In Solid Organ Transplant
<b>Langlois, Marie-France</b> ; Clapperton, Irma; Gosselin, Suzanne; Vaillancourt, Raymonde	Univ. Sherbrooke	Dissemination Activity: Integration Of Prevention And Management Of Cardio-Metabolic Chronic Diseases
<b>Manns, Braden</b> ; Levin, Adeera; Battistella, Marisa; Beanlands, Heather; Dart, Allison; Garg, Amit; Hemmelgarn, Brenda; Huffman, Kate; Pannu, Neesh; Samuel, Susan; Tonelli, Marcello; Wolfs, Wim; Zappitelli, Michael	Univ. Calgary	Canadian Innovative Methods Involving Patients And Researchers In Outcome Improvements For Chronic Kidney Disease (Can-Improve Ckd): A Strategic Planning Meeting
<b>Russell-Mayhew, Shelly</b> ; Sharma, Arya; Alberga, Angela; McLaren, Lindsay; Von Ranson, Kristin	Univ. Calgary	Weight Bias: What Do We Know And Where Shall We Go From Here?

## RESEARCHER PROFILE

### Robert Sreaton, Ph.D, University of Ottawa Recipient of the 2014 Canadian Diabetes Association/CIHR-INMD Young Scientist Award



Robert Sreaton, PhD is a Senior Scientist in the Research Institute at Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario Research Institute and Associate Professor at Univ. Ottawa, where he has been on faculty since 2005. Robert's research focuses on the function and survival of pancreatic beta cells, using genome-wide cell based screens to identify

novel targets for treatment of diabetes. He is the recipient of a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Apoptotic Signalling. Dr. Sreaton undertook his graduate training at McGill Univ. and pursued post-doctoral studies at the Burnham Institute (1999-2002) and Salk Institute (2002-2005) in San Diego, California.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the *Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans* or TCPS 2 (2014) was recently announced. TCPS 2 (2014) replaces TCPS 2 (2010) as the official human research ethics policy of the Agencies. Changes include increased emphasis on the participant's decision-making capacity, more detailed guidance about alterations to consent requirements, and the full integration of CIHR's Guidelines for Human Pluripotent Stem Cell Research. Consult the [Panel on Research website](#) for more information, [Highlights of Changes](#) or to download your copy. For questions on changes to the [TCPS 2 \(2014\)](#), contact [secretariat@rcr.ethics.gc.ca](mailto:secretariat@rcr.ethics.gc.ca). For more information on the integration of CIHR's *Guidelines for Human Pluripotent Stem Cell Research* into the TCPS 2 (2014), visit the [Stem Cell Research](#) section of the CIHR website. For additional questions about the integration of the Guidelines and submitting applications, contact [stemcell@cihr-irsc.gc.ca](mailto:stemcell@cihr-irsc.gc.ca).

The Institute of Nutrition, Metabolism and Diabetes (INMD) supports research to enhance health in relation to diet, digestion, excretion, and metabolism; and to address causes, prevention, screening, diagnosis, treatment, support systems, and palliation for a wide range of conditions and problems associated with hormone, digestive system, kidney, and liver function.

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