

# TRAINEE NEWS from the Desjardins Centre for Advanced Training of the RI-MUHC

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events, announcements and news for graduate students and postdocs at the RI-MUHC

## News



**NOTE:** McGill's Skillsets, Graphos and CaPS are continually updating their calendar for the 2017/2018 year. See a **full list of posted activities at:**  
<https://www.mcgill.ca/skillsets/calendar>  
<https://www.mcgill.ca/graphos/courses>  
<http://www.mcgill.ca/caps/students/services/workshops/>

### Office Hours!

The Desjardins Centre for Advanced Training will hold office hours at the Glen site in room ES1.5066.7 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. every Wednesday. Please book your appointment by selecting a time at the following link  
<https://calendly.com/d-cat/15min>.

For more information: [emily.bell@mcgill.ca](mailto:emily.bell@mcgill.ca)

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Postdoctoral Research/Career Day

Registration is now open!!

**Date :** Saturday, June 16, 2018 from 10:00am to 7:00pm

**Venue:** Grand Salon, local 2244, [Pavillon Maurice-Pollack, Université Laval — Québec](#)

**Cost:** an amount of \$50 will be charged at registration and refunded after the activity to all participants

The annual postdoctoral research / career day presents hands-on thematic workshops developed to inform and to support postdoctoral fellows during their current career, as well as during their transition to their future career

To register for this event and for information on housing, transportation and programming, see [The 5th Annual Research Day / Postdoctoral Career Webpage](#)

### Transport

For postdoctoral trainees in the Montreal and Sherbrooke area, chartered buses will be available free of charge, on the same day, to and from Université Laval. Detailed information about transportation will be available shortly on the event webpage.

### Accommodation

For those wishing to arrive the day before or stay in Quebec City the same evening, there will be a possibility to rent, at your expense, a room in the university's residences (in this case, the transportation will also be at your expense). **To reserve**, use the following form by selecting the conference from the drop-down list at the bottom: <https://www.residences.ulaval.ca/hebergement-hotelier/congres-et-conferences/>

**\*\*Due date soon!** Applications are due on June 1<sup>st</sup> (some flexibility) for the **Graduate Certificate in Business Administration** offered by Concordia University (partnership with the RI-MUHC) so don't delay, and let us know as soon as possible if you are planning to register for the program!  
The Graduate Certificate in Business Administration (GCBA) is a flexible, part-time, reasonably priced program that you can complete while you are doing your graduate studies or postdoc.

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## Summer Professional Development Workshops for Trainees

Research Integrity and Ethics and Presentation Skills. Spaces are limited.

Open to all (priority will be given to summer students and new graduate students)

## EVENTS

*The Desjardins Centre for Advanced Training is offering a special training module for RI-MUHC summer students. These six weeks of weekly workshops on the topics of **Research Ethics and Integrity** and **Presentation Skills** are intended for undergraduate students, new graduate students and visiting research students. These weekly workshops are offered at no cost to summer students.*

**Register in advance at:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/summerrimuhc18>

Topic	Date	Description
<b>Developing your message</b>	<b>Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> 2 – 4 p.m.</b>	In this interactive session we will focus on how to develop your message, including how to analyze your audience and adjust accordingly, how to develop purpose and what techniques you can use to convey your science to a broad audience.
<b>Effective presentations</b>	<b>Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> 2 – 4 p.m.</b>	In this interactive session we will discuss effective presentation styles and teach techniques of voice and body language.
<b>Research Integrity: Understanding the reasons for scientist misconduct and the global differences in definitions</b>	<b>Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> 2 – 4 p.m.</b>	In this interactive workshop we will discuss well-known examples of research misconduct and review these and other cases to discuss the reasons why scientists commit misconduct.
<b>Developing poster presentations</b>	<b>Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> 2 – 4 p.m.</b>	In preparation for Summer Student Research Day and future poster presentations, this session will allow students to think about how to translate their text into images, tables and graphs that convey scientific information and interest an audience.
<b>Conducting research with human participants: ethical issues</b>	<b>Tuesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> 2 – 4 p.m.</b>	In this interactive workshop we will examine the history of human subject research protections: why do we have special guidelines to protect human participants to research? What happens when participants fail to be protected? How can our protections keep up with the changes in human participant research?
<b>Who gets the credit? Authorship and collaboration in medicine and science</b>	<b>Tuesday, July 10 2– 4 p.m.</b>	Conflicts about authorship in academic research are not uncommon. In this interactive workshop we will discuss the standards that exist in publishing and discuss challenging cases where authorship has to be decided.

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## Trainee Kudos

Celebrating the achievements of our trainees

**Nafiseh (Nadia) Naderi, MD**

**Master of Science student**

Supervisor: [Dr. Jean Bourbeau](#)

[Translational Research in Respiratory Diseases Program](#), [Centre for Outcomes Research and Evaluation](#), [Centre for Innovative Medicine](#), and [Respiratory Epidemiology and Clinical Research Unit](#)

After completing a medical degree in Iran, Dr. Nafiseh (Nadia) Naderi joined Dr. Bourbeau's team as a master's student with a clinical project on long-term azithromycin therapy in patients with severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. The study was recently published in the *Respiratory Medicine Journal*. Her most recent awards include graduate studentship bursaries from the RI-MUHC in 2016-2017 and from Meakins-Christie Laboratories in 2017-2018. She presented a poster at the American Thoracic Society in 2017.

**Yousof Mostafavi PourManshadi, MD, M.Sc.**

**Master of Science student (degree obtained)**

Supervisor: [Dr. Jean Bourbeau](#)

[Translational Research in Respiratory Diseases Program](#), [Centre for Outcomes Research and Evaluation](#), [Centre for Innovative Medicine](#), and [Respiratory Epidemiology and Clinical Research Unit](#)

After completing a medical degree in Iran, Dr. Yousof Mostafavi earned a CIHR-Quebec Respiratory Health Training scholarship in 2016-2017 and a McGill Entrance Fellowship and Graduate Excellence award to work on a master's degree investigating novel inflammatory biomarkers in chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was one of 30 research trainees selected to represent the Canadian Thoracic Society at the 2017 American Thoracic Society (ATS) conference, where he presented a poster and earned an ATS abstract scholarship award.

## Other professional and career development activities for trainees

Please see full information and links to register in advance

### WIB-Greater Montreal Presents: "Disruptive Technologies in the Life Sciences and Healthcare" June 12, 8 am – 1 pm (Registration required)

With technology advancing at record pace, we are experiencing a seismic shift in the way we do business not only in the life sciences, but across all sectors. Emerging technologies such as Blockchain, Artificial Intelligence (AI), and Deep Learning will revolutionize data collection and interpretation, healthcare, and product development.

In June 2018 at the NEOMED Institute, the Greater Montreal chapter of Women In Bio will host a half-day conference bringing together experts and innovators to discuss the challenges as well as the opportunities offered by these new technologies. Experts will present the evolution of disruptive technologies in the life sciences and healthcare, followed by more in-depth explanations of blockchain and AI.

Panel discussions will assess the applications, opportunities, and challenges that these technologies present to the field. The final session will address implementation of disruptive technologies in the Quebec healthcare system.

Speakers and panelists will include experts in blockchain, AI, deep learning, and ethics, entrepreneurs in the AI sector, and professionals in product development and support.

This conference will be interesting for people involved in product development, clinical and basic research studies, pharma, and finance.

#### Speaker Biographies / Biographies des conférenciers

[Ma'n Zawati](#): Executive Director of the Centre of Genomics and Policy, McGill University

[Natalie Chickee](#): Crypto Consultant

[Eszter Biro](#): Founder, Blocksale.co

[Daipayan Mukherjee](#): Senior Manager-Technology Strategy, Deloitte

[Carolina Bessega](#): CSO, Co-founder, Stradigi AI

[Samira Bachouchi](#): Director- Medical Information and Pharmacovigilance, Takeda Canada

[Lisa Pinheiro](#): Managing Principal, Analysis Group

[Vasiliki Rahimzadeh](#): PhD Candidate, Centre for Genomics and Policy, McGill

[Joanne Castonguay](#): Directrice de recherche-Économie canadienne et enjeux émergents, IRPP

[Claude Belizaire](#), CEO and Software Engineer, Human Level Technologies Inc.

More information: <http://www.womeninbio.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1109391&group>

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## Positions with the government of Canada

Interested: apply through the Postsecondary Recruitment now

We bring your attention to the Government of Canada's [Post-Secondary Recruitment Program](#) aimed at graduates interested in working in the Federal Public Service. If you are looking for a career in government science, please consider this job [posting](#).

Anyone with a post-secondary (college or university) diploma or degree may apply and there is no limit on the length of time since the degree was granted to apply, as was the case in previous post-secondary recruitments.

Candidates are encouraged to apply now (up to the September 26<sup>th</sup> deadline) because referrals will be provided to hiring organizations immediately. Non-Canadians living in Canada are welcome to apply. However, preference will be given to veterans and Canadians citizens who meet the job opportunity requirements.

Interested in learning more  
**Further Reading**  
career and professional development

[Teaching and research roles moving beyond the clinician-scientist](#) – David Kent (University Affairs)

[How to be a consummate networker](#) – NatureJobs Podcast

## The RI-MUHC is hiring

Career opportunities are always available on the RI website at <http://rimuhc.ca/apply-today>

We encourage you to check back often as new opportunities come available regularly. Please take a look at the list below for a sample of positions that are currently available.