

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

NEWSLETTER MAY 2018

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

## News

### 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](#)

**Program :** Forthcoming

#### 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/>



**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:  
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## EVENTS

### [Graphos workshop: Refining poster presentations](#)

Tuesday, May 8, 2018, 13:00

Get ready for conference season by improving your draft poster.

Register to secure your place and receive information about location:

<http://mcgill.ca/skillsets/channels/event/graphos-workshop-refining-poster-presentations-286364>

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## The Graduate Certificate in Business Administration (GCBA)

Complement your training in the health sciences with business skills

## EVENTS

Register now for an information session about the GCBA and to learn more about the collaboration between the John Molson School of Business (Concordia University) and the Desjardins Centre for Advanced Training to offer business skills training to graduate students and postdocs.

### Information Session, MGH site

Thursday, May 10th, noon-1:00pm, room L7-140

- Speak with program specialist from the JMSB
- Pizza and drinks will be served

For more information: <https://www.concordia.ca/jmsb/programs/graduate/diploma/program-details/ri-muhc-partnership.html>

Please register in advance at: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/9NM52SK](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9NM52SK)

## Trainee Kudos

Celebrating the achievements of our trainees

### Surashri Shinde-Jadhav

#### Master's student

Supervisor: [Dr. Wassim Kassouf](#)  
[Cancer Research Program](#)

Congratulations to Surashri Shinde-Jadhav, whose presentation earned the People's Choice award in the finals of the seventh annual McGill University [3-Minute Thesis/ Ma thèse en 180 secondes competition](#)! Surashri connected with the audience and won their support as she expertly described how neutrophils behave as an individual's own "Spiderman" in the body's fight against cancer.

### Mohamed Nazhat Al Yafi, MD

Supervisor: [Dr. Jake Barralet](#)

#### Noémie Joannette-Lafrance

Supervisor: [Dr. Mitchell Bernstein](#)

Master's students in Experimental Surgery

Project mentor: [Dr. Mirko Gilardino](#)

[Injury Repair Recovery Program \(IRR\)](#)

Congratulations to [Dr. Mohamed Nazhat Al Yafi](#) and [Noémie Joannette-Lafrance](#), whose interuniversity team placed first of six in the 2018 final presentations of the McGill-led Surgical Innovation Program! With teammates Clarisse Bascans and Aude Castonguay-Henri from L'École de technologie supérieure (ETS), they pitched the best business case for a new product addressing a clinical need. Mentored by plastic surgeon [Dr. Mirko Gilardino](#) (IRR Program), the team developed a product concept called **FlapStat**. This non-invasive probe assesses blood perfusion of flaps during breast reconstructions, reducing necrosis and other complications.

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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

[Salaries, benefits and performance evaluations in a non-academic work environment](#) – Jennifer Polk (University Affairs)

[Panel calls for a postdoc tax and other measures to help biomedical scientists find jobs](#) – Michael Price (Science Careers)

## 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.

### [Research Assistant](#)

The Junior Principal Investigator is looking for an effective, motivated, enthusiastic researcher with great attention to detail and strong expertise in epidemiological research for a temporary full-time position renewable annually.

### [Research Assistant](#)

This post is for a Research Assistant (full-time) who will work under the supervision of Dr. Nancy Braverman, Department of Medical Genetics. Our laboratory is focused on therapeutic interventions for patients with peroxisome biogenesis disorders. These are autosomal recessive disorders of peroxisome formation. The successful candidate will investigate the therapeutic efficacy of candidate drugs to treat our mouse models of these disorders. The major part of the project will involve optimizing drug doses and subcutaneous vs oral routes of delivery to clinical improvement of growth, retinal degeneration and liver disease.

### [Research Assistant](#)

We are seeking a detail-oriented, thorough, and organized clinical research assistant to join our growing clinical research team in antimicrobial resistance. The employee will work under the general guidance and supervision of the Principal Investigator, and will play a key role in recruiting and interviewing study participants (patients and physicians), collecting and organizing data and documenting findings, ensuring compliance with protocols, monitoring and overseeing clinical site activities.

### [Research Assistant, Neuroimaging](#)

The «Advances in Brain and Child Development Research Laboratory » is looking for a Research Assistant with experience in neuroimaging processing. The successful candidate will be primarily responsible of the maintenance, processing and optimisation of the MRI data/databases that are central to the various pediatric neuroimaging projects conducted under the supervision of Dr. Brossard-Racine and collaborators.

### [Program Assistant – Injury Repair and Recovery \(IRR\) \(temporary replacement\)](#)

Under the general supervision of the Program Manager and in close collaboration with the Program Leader and researchers, the incumbent provides general research grant related administrative support to assigned academic staff.

*NOTE: The masculine gender has been used for brevity and includes the feminine gender.*