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**Professor and Chair**
- Dr. Ian J. Witterick

**Vice-Chair Education & Director of Postgraduate Education**
- Dr. Paolo Campisi

**Director of Undergraduate Medical Education**
- Dr. Allan Vescan

**Assistant Director, Pre-Clerkship**
- Dr. Brad Hubbard

**Assistant Director, Post Clerkship**
- Dr. John Lee

**Director of Continuing Professional Development & Liaison Community Academic Faculty**
- Dr. Yvonne Chan

**Vice-Chair Research**
- Dr. Robert V. Harrison

### Otolaryngologists-in-Chief

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### Division Chiefs

- **Head and Neck Oncology**
  - Dr. Ralph Gilbert

- **Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery**
  - Dr. Peter Adamson

### Committee Chair Holders

- **Executive**
  - Dr. Ian J. Witterick

- **Undergraduate**
  - Dr. Allan Vescan

- **Postgraduate**
  - Dr. Paolo Campisi

- **Continuing Professional Development**
  - Dr. Yvonne Chan

- **Research**
  - Dr. Robert V. Harrison

- **Audiology**
  - Ms. Vicky Papaioannou

- **Department Appointment Committee (DAC)**
  - Dr. Jonathan C. Irish

- **Department Promotions Committee (DPC)**
  - Dr. Robert V. Harrison

- **Budget Advisory**
  - Dr. Ian J. Witterick

- **Community Academic Faculty**
  - Dr. Yvonne Chan

- **Advancement**
  - Dr. Patrick J. Gullane

- **Quality and Safety**
  - Dr. Danny Enepekides
Vision
International leadership in improving health through innovation and excellence in otolaryngology-head & neck surgical practice, research and education.

Mission
We prepare head and neck surgical leaders, contribute to our communities and improve the health of individuals and populations locally and globally through discovery, application and communication of knowledge.

Values
Excellence • Collaboration • Integrity • Respect
Compassion • Accountability • Caring • Leadership • Innovation
## Organizational Structure

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I am pleased to bring you the 2014-15 Annual Report. Our department continues to thrive and has had another banner year as detailed in this report.

We should be very proud of the University of Toronto. It is home to 25% of the Canadian University researchers named to the prestigious and highly cited researchers list in 2014, more than at any other Canadian University. It is Canada’s top University according to the U.S. News & World Report Ranking (released October 2014) and continues to be recognized as a global leader for academic research excellence. This survey examined 500 global institutions and focused on academic research and overall reputation. We were ranked 14th overall and best in Canada. In the 2014 National Taiwan University Performance Ranking of Scientific Papers for World Universities, the University of Toronto ranked 3rd in the world in clinical medicine. Based on total publications or citations, the top two universities in the world are Harvard and Toronto.

Our department continues to be a national and international leader in Otolaryngology-Head & Neck surgery. We are helping to shape the specialty and there is great optimism within our department and specialty as we move forward. Highlights of this annual report are summarized here.

UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP

Professor Trevor Young was appointed as Dean of the Faculty of Medicine and Vice-Provost, Relations with Healthcare Institutions for a 5-year term, commencing January 1, 2015. Dean Young was previously the Professor and Chair of the Department of Psychiatry in the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto. I welcome and look forward to working with Dean Young.

The Executive Committee of our department has approved the creation of a new position, Vice-Chair Education. This role oversees undergraduate medical education (UME), postgraduate medical education (PGME), continuing professional development (CPD) and faculty development for our department. Terms of reference were created and the Executive Committee unanimously endorsed Dr. Paolo Campisi in this role for a 5-year term. In addition, the Executive Committee approved the change in title of the Director of Research to Vice-Chair Research. Dr. Robert Harrison was unanimously endorsed to continue in this role. At the Faculty of Medicine, Dr. David Goldstein is our representative on Faculty Council, Dr. John Rutka is our representative on the Decanal Promotions Committee, Dr. Witterick chairs the Education Committee and Dr. Molly Zirkle is the Director of the Fitzgerald Academy.
CHANGES IN THE DEPARTMENT

Dr. Allan Vescan has done a terrific job as the new Director of Undergraduate Medical Education. Dr. Brad Hubbard started his practice at Toronto East General Hospital and has also taken on the role of Assistant Director (Pre-Clerkship) for UME. Dr. Al Chiado took over as the Otolaryngologist-in-Chief at Toronto East General Hospital and Dr. Robert Hekkenberg accepted the role of Cancer Care Ontario Regional Surgical Oncology Lead for the NSM LHIN.

Congratulations to Dr. Edward Park who was elected as the Chief Resident for our department. We would like to thank Dr. Lukas Kus for doing a great job in this position over the last year.

Our colleague and friend, Dr. Joseph (Joe) Wong passed away on August 13, 2014 at the age of 59. He fought a long and hard battle with cancer over the last several years. Joe was an inspiring volunteer and leader; he will be particularly remembered for being the founder and team leader for the Smile China Project which helped so many unfortunate children in China with facial cleft and other facial deformities. The Smile China Board has helped to create the Dr. Joseph K. H. Wong/Smile China Project Award in Global Health and Outreach. This endowment will create an annual lectureship as well as provide funding for residents/fellows and faculty to go on humanitarian missions.

Ms. Sandra Kellogg retired from her role as our UME/PGME Administrator, a role she has held for the last 5 years. Our very best wishes and thanks to Sandra for her excellent work. Please join me in welcoming Mr. Michael Figueiredo who has joined the department to take over from Sandra.

EDUCATION

I would like to thank all of our education leads for their tremendous dedication to providing the best education in all areas. We are leaders nationally and internationally in UME, PGME and CPD.

Undergraduate Medical Education

Drs. Vescan, Lee and Hubbard continue to do an excellent job in shaping the UME curriculum. Our faculty continues to receive very strong teaching effectiveness scores. The implementation of having more than half of the clinical clerks in third year attend a community clinic for their otolaryngology rotations has been a tremendous success. Our community faculty partners have done an amazing job of teaching our medical students and the feedback has been tremendous.

There are several changes coming as the Year 1 and 2 curriculums are being updated. In addition, there is now a longitudinal integrated curriculum for some medical students which was piloted at St. Michael’s Hospital this year. It is being rolled out to other hospitals and academies for the next academic year.

The ASCM I session held on January 16, 2015 was very successful with 13 of our faculty participating. We are one of the few specialties that actually participate in this first year course. In addition, an
CHAIR’S REPORT

OtoSim™ teaching evening was held on January 14, 2015 with more than 30 medical students participating. Thank you to Drs. Campisi and Forte for running these events as well as the successful OtoSim™ session in April 2015 for approximately 250 students. Dr. Brad Hubbard has taken the lead to organize the seminars for the Mechanisms, Manifestations and Management of Disease (MMMD) course held in April 2015. This is a combination of didactic lectures as well as the OtoSim™ session mentioned above. I want to thank Drs. Chiodo, de Almeida, Foreman, Forte, Grewal, Holler, Hubbard, Lee and Papsin for their significant contributions to this course.

Our education leads also participated in the Canadian Conference on UME held at McGill University in the fall of 2014. UME will continue to be a priority for our department and I am so thankful to our community and full-time faculty who have contributed so much time and energy in delivering our expanded curriculum. The medical students interested in our specialty this year were outstanding; the excellent quality and quantity of elective and selective students visiting our department showed a dramatic increase.

Postgraduate Medical Education

I want to thank Dr. Paolo Campisi for the superb job he has done in PGME. He continues to create and rollout new initiatives including the boot camp, welcome reception, practical courses, standardized patients, resident retreats, sleep medicine program, graduation ceremony and the CaRMS interview process. He and his wife Susan hosted a very nice welcome reception for the new residents on July 3, 2014 at their beautiful home in Etobicoke. A sincere welcome to the 2014-15 PGY1s: Drs. Peter Dixon (Toronto), Yelda Jozaghi (McGill), Weibo Hao (Western), Yael Bensoussan (Montreal) and Patrick Scheffler (McGill).

The CaRMS interviews were held on January 30, 2015 and I would like to welcome the new PGY1s to our department effective July 1, 2015: Drs. Joel Davies (Toronto), Frédérick Laliberté (McGill), Mirko Manojlovic Kolarski (UBC), Sunita Rai (McMaster), and Josie Xu (Queen’s). We also continue to attract high quality fellows from across the globe.

I would like to congratulate both of our PGY5 residents, Drs. Lukas Kus and Vinay Fernandes who were successful in passing their Royal College exams in June 2015. Vinay is off to do a head and neck oncology fellowship in California and Luke is starting a locum position in the GTA. A graduation ceremony was held on June 24, 2015 at the Faculty Club for the resident and fellow graduates attended by members of our department and the families of graduates. I would also like to congratulate Dr. Nik Wolter who received his MSc from the Institute of Medical Science this academic year.

Dr. Campisi organized a fun evening for the residents at Polson Pier and the Docks on September 25, 2014 with Go Karting. A successful resident retreat was held on March 20, 2015.

There were numerous practical continuing education courses this year and many of the residents attended.

Our faculty audiologists were also very active teaching in the Audiogram of the Month program and the Kids2Hear Program. For example, on September 3, 2014 there were 71 medical students who applied to be part of the Kids2Hear program but they could only accept 40. The medical students were trained on the OtoSim™ simulator and then spent half a day in schools within the Toronto District School Board doing otoscopy and hearing screening for year 1 and year 2 kindergarten students as well as some grade 1 students. There was
supervision by residents and staff audiologists and all of this was viewed as an excellent example of a public health initiative by members of our department.

For the last several years, residents have had the opportunity to go on humanitarian missions with the Face the Future™ Program organized by Dr. Peter Adamson. Dr. Nik Wolter went on a humanitarian mission with Dr. Adamson to Russia in June 2015.

I would like to thank Dr. Adrian James for coordinating our monthly Journal Clubs and our entire faculty for the significant amount of teaching and education they provide for our residents and fellows.

A future date to keep in mind is the internal review of our department scheduled for June 23, 2016. This is part of the regular cycle of University of Toronto PGME reviews of different residency programs in anticipation of the Royal College reviews every 6 years.

Dr. Yvonne Chan continues to do an outstanding job in CPD. She has expanded the courses offered and the number of visiting professors to our department.

In October 2014, the faculty at the Hospital for Sick Children did a remarkable job in hosting 5 courses. These were the 5th Annual International Pediatric Vestibular and Balance Update (Dr. Sharon Cushing), the International Pediatric Temporal Bone Dissection Course (Dr. Adrian James), the 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants (Drs. Karen Gordon and Blake Papsin), the International Pediatric Endoscopy Course (Dr. Evan Propst), and the International Pediatric Open Airway Surgery Course (Dr. Evan Propst). The Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants Course had close to 500 participants from all over the world. This is a major international symposium and viewed as a tremendous plus for our department to attract this meeting to Toronto.

The 5th Toronto Voice Course and Speech Language Pathology Course on February 6 & 7, 2015 was directed by Dr. Jennifer Anderson. The 13th Annual Otolaryngology-HNS Update on February 7, 2015 was again an incredible success organized by Dr. Yvonne Chan. Dr. David Pothier organized the Toronto Endoscopic Ear Surgery Course from March 31 to April 1, 2015 and Drs. Gilbert, Gullane and Irish helped in the organization the 17th Annual Wharton/Elia Day on May 15, 2015. A most successful Endoscopic Sinus Surgery course was held on May 22-23, 2015 with Visiting Professor Heinz Stammberger and organized by Dr. Yvonne Chan. This was an exceptional educational event based on the content, evaluations and personal communication.

I would like to congratulate two of our faculty, Drs. Gullane and Gilbert who gave 2 of the 7 keynote lectures at the 5th World Congress of the International Federation of Head & Neck Oncologic Societies held in July 2014 in New York. This was reportedly the largest meeting of head and neck oncologists ever held. Dr. Gullane gave the 2014 Hayes Martin Lecture and Dr. Gilbert gave the 2014 Jatin Shah Lecture.

We had a total of 19 visiting professors who gave

Dr. Nik Wolter harvesting a fascia lata graft on the mission
Grand Rounds or named lectures and 41 who were invited faculty for the CPD courses held this 2014–15 academic year as detailed in the CPD report.

Courses planned for 2015-16 include a repeat of the Toronto Endoscopic and Airway Courses organized by Dr. Evan Propst, a Thyroid Ultrasound Course accredited by the American College of Surgeons on November 6, 2015 and the Current Concepts in Head & Neck Surgery Course on November 7 & 8, 2015 (a joint program between the University of Toronto, MD Anderson Cancer Center and Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center).

**RESEARCH**

I would like to thank Dr. Bob Harrison for continuing in the role (with a new title) as Vice-Chair Research and overseeing the research activities of our department. The Research Committee continues to meet and will help shape the research directions of our department. We have a tremendous breadth of research as evidenced by the Research Evening held on November 13, 2014 at the SickKids Research and Learning Tower. The format included poster displays and mini-seminars from the labs at Sunnybrook, UHN, SMH, SickKids and MSH. Participants learned about cutting-edge research within our department in a friendly and relaxed environment with food and refreshments. I thought this was an excellent environment for our trainees and faculty to learn about the depth and breadth of research in our department.

The department was able to support trainees to go to the Association for Research in Otolaryngology Mid-Winter Meeting held February 21–25, 2015 in Baltimore. Ms. Joanna Mulvaney and Mr. Mattia Carraro were able to attend this meeting sponsored by the department as well as the Judy Chauvin Fund.

The department has again sponsored interested faculty to attend grant writing courses. The significant number of grants, publications and invited presentations/panels nationally and internationally are detailed elsewhere. I would like to point out that we had 165 peer-reviewed publications in 75 journals and over 170 invited presentations/panels in 23 countries outside of Canada.

The Percy Ireland Academic Day held on May 8, 2015 at the University of Toronto’s Hart House was very successful. Dr. Brad Welling, Walter Agustus LeCompte Professor and Chair, Harvard Department of Otology and Laryngology, Boston MA was our visiting Professor and Percy Ireland Orator. The title of his oration was “Decision Making in the Management of Vestibular Schwannomas: What’s new in 2015?”. In addition, 24 papers were presented by the postgraduate/graduate trainees. Congratulations to all of the residents, graduate students, fellows and faculty mentors who participated - see details on page 58.

The Harry Barberian Research Fund is supported by the Annual Harry Barberian Memorial Dinner, to be held on May 5th each year (Harry’s Birthday) to honour the memory of Mr. Harry Barberian, the founder of Barberian’s Steakhouse in Toronto. The purpose of the fund is to support the research activities of residents, graduate students and junior faculty in our department. The annual dinner is organized by Mr. Arron Barberian and Dr. Jeremy Freeman. I would like to congratulate the 2015 recipients - see details on page 55.

**RETIREMENTS**

Dr. Vito Forte retired from clinical practice as of September 1, 2015. He will continue to work with SickKids and the Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering (IBBME) and be a member of our Department. A celebration in his honour was held on September 3, 2015.

Dr. Jack Friedberg retired from practice this year after many years as a remarkable clinician and educator at SickKids and MSH. His wisdom, common sense and advice will be missed. A generation of trainees owes him a debt of gratitude for the knowledge he passed to them.

Dr. Sharon Abel, PhD retired from her research lab at the Department of National Defence in mid-September 2015. Dr. Abel previously worked at MSH in the Lunenfeld-Tanenbaum Research Institute before being recruited to the Department of National Defense as a Senior Defence Scientist. Dr. Abel is an international authority on noise-induced hearing loss, communication in noise, auditory
vigilance and sound localization.

Dr. Martyn Hyde, PhD announced his retirement from MSH and the Otologic Function Unit. Dr. Hyde was instrumental in the development of brain stem evoked potential techniques to screen infants for hearing loss (universal newborn hearing screening). He was instrumental in the creation of the Ontario Infant Hearing Program which has been widely adopted and emulated around the world. Drs. Abel, Friedberg and Hyde have been approved as Professor Emeriti upon their retirement.

Ms. Ida Bennett retired from her role as a senior audiologist at MSH in June 2015. Ida was a great supporter of our department and will certainly be missed.

Lastly, Dr. Ron Fenton had a semi-retirement party at St. Michael’s Hospital on June 22, 2015. Family, friends and colleagues gathered to wish Ron well as he starts to work a little less. Ron has been a member of our department for more than 45 years and was our recent Guest of Honour at the 2015 Percy Ireland Day and Dinner.

On behalf of our department, we want to thank Vito, Jack, Sharon, Martyn, Ida and Ron for their many years of excellence and service to our department and university.

NEW FACULTY

I would like to welcome Dr. Doug Chepeha to the department as a full-time faculty member at the Full Professor level. Dr. Chepeha is an international authority in Head and Neck Oncology and Head and Neck Reconstruction. He was recruited from the University of Michigan and is now working with the department at UHN. Dr. Theresa Holler became an Assistant Professor and Clinical Associate at St. Michael’s Hospital. Dr. Brad Hubbard joined TEGH and is an Assistant Director UME. Clinical Adjunct Lecturer appointments were Sarfaraz Banglawala, Greg Belchetz, Janet Chung, Aman Grewal, Brad Hubbard, Mark Korman, Victor Toran and Adrienne Wong. Carolyn Falls was appointed to our department as a Status Only faculty at the rank of Lecturer. A warm welcome to our new cross-appointed faculty, Dr. Jolie Ringash who is a Full Professor in the Department of Radiation Oncology at the University of Toronto. New appointments for the next academic year include Dr. Eric Monteiro, who will start on July 1, 2015 at MSH as an Assistant Professor.

CELEBRATING OUR FACULTY

A reception was held on September 30, 2014 at the University of Toronto’s Faculty Club to honour Drs. Al Chiodo, Danny Enepekides and Kevin Higgins in recognition of their promotion to Associate Professor.
In addition, Dr. Oakley Smith was honoured for his 10 years of leadership as Otolaryngologist-in-Chief at TEGH. On November 19, 2014, there was a celebration dinner for TEGH and NYGH faculty honouring Dr. Smith’s 10 years of service as Chief at TEGH and Dr. David Goldfarb for his years of service on staff at NYGH.

PROMOTIONS

I am pleased to report that our Promotions Committee chaired by Dr. Bob Harrison put forward 5 faculty members for promotion to the Decanal Promotions Committee this year. All of our faculty were successful. Please join me in congratulating Dr. Paolo Campisi (promotion to Full Professor) and Drs. Jennifer Anderson, Alain Dabdoub, Andres Gantous and Vincent Lin on their promotion to Associate Professor effective July 1, 2015. In addition, Dr. Karen Gordon has been promoted to the rank of Senior Scientist in the SickKids Research Institute.

There were two faculty development sessions on Junior Promotion (Lecturer to Assistant Professor) offered to faculty at the Lecturer level. These sessions outlined the process around requesting a promotion. A total of 14 faculty members attended these sessions. There were also two faculty development
sessions for faculty interested in Senior Promotions (Associate and Full Professor).

AWARDS AND HONOURS

In February 2015, the Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario and Chancellor of the Order of Ontario, invested Dr. Patrick Gullane into the Order of Ontario at a ceremony held at Queen’s Park.

Two new scholarship awards have been created in honour of Dr. Arnold M. Noyek named the Arnold M. Noyek O.C. Awards. These scholarships will fund two students’ telehealth projects annually: one for a student in the Faculty of Medicine and the second for a student in the Dalla Lana School of Public Health.

The Hertz Multidisciplinary Neurotology Clinic at UHN/TGH, led by Dr. John Rutka, was selected as the recipient of the 2013-14 Award of Merit for an outstanding team that role models interprofessional collaboration for patient-centred care to learners through the University of Toronto’s Centre for Interprofessional Education.

Dr. Jenny Wang (PGY4) was the 2014-15 recipient of the Joseph M. West Family Memorial Fund and the William S. Fenwick Research Fellowship Awards to carry out her research. She also received the American Head & Neck Society Alando J. Ballantyne Resident Research Pilot Grant for her project titled “Chromatin Remodeling and Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma.

Dr. Oakley Smith was selected by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario to be part of their 2014 Future Leaders Day representing our specialty. Dr. Jean Davidson was the recipient of the 2014-15 Peters-Boyd Academy Pre-clerkship Teaching Award for her contributions to the MMMD course. Dr. Ralph Gilbert was made an Honourary Member of the Italian Society of Otorhinolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery (SIO) at their annual meeting in May 2015. The Society has granted only 10 previous honourary memberships with the last one a decade ago. The award was given to recognize Dr. Gilbert’s contribution to head & neck oncology and the reconstruction of head and neck defects. Dr. Raewyn Seaberg was chosen from a large number of nominees by the Awards Committee at Humber River Hospital to receive the newly established award for Excellence in Medical Teaching. This further emphasizes the strong commitment of our community faculty in helping to teach our specialty to the next generation of medical students. Finally, Dr. Kevin Higgins qualified for the Canadian Team for the Master’s World Cycling Championship in Denmark in September 2015.

I would also like to congratulate all of our education and research award winners which are detailed in the Departmental Awards Program section of this report. Congratulations to all of our award winners.

ALUMNI RELATIONS

On July 27, 2014 we held an alumni get together at Planet Hollywood in New York City as part of the IFHNOS/AHNS meeting. There was also an alumni reception at the American Academy of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery meeting on September 23, 2014 as part of their annual meeting. The Alumni & Friends dinner was held on February 7, 2015 at Hart House. We honoured the class of 1989 (Drs. Frank Bravo, Roman Chaban, Jean Davidson, Brian Hynes, Stan Jacobs, Bob Kassel and Oakley Smith) as well as the 2014 resident and fellow graduates.

On May 7, 2015 at the Park Hyatt Hotel, the 24th Annual Percy Ireland Dinner was held honouring Dr. Ron Fenton. On June 6, 2015, at the 69th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery in Winnipeg, a very successful alumni reception was held.

ADVANCEMENT

I would like to welcome, our new Senior Development Officer, Ms. Heather Yearwood. Mr. Brian Bachand was appointed as the Executive Director of Advancement in the Faculty of Medicine effective August 1, 2014. On January 22, 2015, another very successful advancement dinner was held by Mr. Ralph Chiodo at the head office of Active Green+Ross. Approximately ($100K) was raised for
the purchase of the remainder of the OtoSim™ units for undergraduate medical teaching. The 3rd Annual Harry Barberian Memorial Dinner was held on May 5, 2015. The event was organized by Mr. Arron Barberian, Dr. Jeremy Freeman and the Mount Sinai Hospital Foundation. The Guest of Honour was the new Chief of Toronto Police, Chief Mark Saunders. A wonderful gastronomic event was held with great wine and a wonderful collegial atmosphere.

Through a generous donation from the Canadian Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and some matching funds from our department, a $50K endowed graduate award has been created named the Wilfred Goodman Award in Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery. The award will be given annually for the benefit of residents and fellows who are undertaking their education and research in the field of facial plastic and reconstructive surgery.

As mentioned earlier, the Smile China Foundation has endowed funds to support an annual lecture with an esteemed visiting professor focusing on global health and outreach. In addition, funds will be awarded to trainees or faculty members within the Faculty of Medicine to support the recipient’s travel to low- or middle-income countries with the purpose of advancing education and building capacity in areas of need.

SickKids reported a $300K gift over a 3-year timeframe from the Cochlear Corporation which will be used for vestibular research.

STRAATEGIC PLAN/FA CULTY RETREAT

Several faculty development sessions were held as mentioned above regarding junior and senior promotions. On October 8-9, 2014 a number of faculty members attended faculty diversity workshops held by the Faculty of Medicine. On June 17, 2015, a faculty retreat was held on the ship “Miss Toronto”. Faculty travelled around the Toronto Islands while receiving an update on our strategic plan and new initiatives in UME and PGME. The department has strongly encouraged interested faculty members to take a grant writing course and has paid for this. In addition, listings of leadership courses have been posted on our website and several faculty are already taking advantage of this information for the next academic year.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

The Canadian International Scientific Exchange Program (CISEPO) builds bridges to peace through academic medicine, public health, health care science and international cooperation. Details can be found on page 144. Dr. Peter Adamson’s Face the Future™ Foundation organizes humanitarian missions to less developed countries. More information about the Foundation can be found on page 146. Other faculty members have participated in international
humanitarian trips including Dr. Yvonne Chan visiting Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam – Gia Ding Hospital on March 1-8, 2014.

In conclusion, there has been a lot of great activity in our department over the last academic year. I am indebted to our hospital and University leadership who have worked so hard to provide the best education and research opportunities. We continue to attract the best and brightest medical students to our specialty as well as outstanding fellows from around the globe. Our department is recognized as a world leader in Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery and I think we should all be proud of our reputation and standing in world circles. Our administrative support is exceptional with Ms. Audrea Martin as our Business Officer, Ms. Sonia Valente as the Executive Assistant and our new UME/PGME Administrative Assistant, Mr. Michael Figueiredo.

I hope you enjoy looking through this report. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Excerpt from an article published on November 3, 2014 in the U of T News

University of Toronto is Canada’s top university: U.S. News & World Reporting Rankings

U of T continues to be recognized as global leader for academic research excellence


The survey examined 500 global institutions and focused on academic research and overall reputation.

Read the entire article at:
Alumni and Friends Events

July 27, 2014 - Planet Hollywood, New York in conjunction with the 5th World Congress of International Federation of Head and Neck Oncologic Societies (IFHNOS) and the Annual Meeting of the American Head and Neck Association (AHNS)
September 23, 2014 - Hyatt Regency, Florida in conjunction with the 2014 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery
February 7, 2015 In conjunction with Otolaryngology Update, Toronto

_L to R: Drs. Oakley Smith, Peter Adamson, Robert Kassel_
The graduates from 1989 were honoured that evening. L to R: Drs. Robert Kassel, Brian Hynes, Oakley Smith, Roman Chaban, Ian Witterick (Chair) and Frank Bravo. Not present: Drs. Jean Davidson and Stan Jacobs.
June 6, 2015 – Winnipeg, Manitoba in conjunction with the 69th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery


L to R: Drs. Raewyn Seaberg, Yvonne Chan and Rick Gall

L to R: Drs. Yvonne Chan, Shaun Kilty and Martin Desroisier
ALUMNI AND FRIENDS EVENTS

Dr. David Goldfarb

L to R: Drs. Tony Eskander, Patrick Gullane and Eric Monteiro

Drs. Patrick Gullane (left) and Jennifer Anderson

L to R: Dr. Tulika Shinghal and her husband Mr. Ajay Jain, with Drs. William Kaul and Sumeet Anand

L to R: Drs. Ian Witterick, Yvonne Chan, Doron Sommer and Kristian Macdonald

Dr. Rick Gall and family
Newest appointments denoted with an asterisk (*)

**Professor and Chair**

I.J. Witterick, MD, MSc, FRCSC

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P.W. Alberti, MB, PhD, FRCS, FRCS
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W.S. Goodman, MD, FRCS, FRCS (I) (Hon)
W.M. Hawke, MD, FRCS
J.S. McGrail, MB, MSc, FRCS
J.M. Nedzelski, MD, FRCS

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S.M. Abel, PhD
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D.H. Brown, MB, FRCS
J.M. Chen, MD, FRCS
D. Chepeha*, MD, MScPH, FACS, FRCS
D.A.F. Ellis, MD, FRCS
V. Forte, MD, FRCS
J.L. Freeman, MD, FRCS, FACS
J. Friedberg, MD, FRCS
R.W. Gilbert, MD, FRCS
P.J. Gullane, CM, OOnt, MB, FRCS, FACS, Hon-FRACS, Hon-FRCSI
J. Haight, BM, DPhil, FRCS
R.V. Harrison, PhD, DSc
M.L. Hyde, PhD
J.C. Irish, MD, MSc, FRCS, FACS
A.M. Noyek, OC, MD, FRCS, FACS
B.C. Papsin, MD, MSc, FRCS
R. Raihan, PhD, FNASMS
J.A. Rutka, MD, FRCS

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S. Cushing, MD, MSc, FRCS
A. Dabdoub, PhD
J. de Almeida, MD, MSc, FRCS
R. Fox, MD, FRCS
A.M. Gantous, MD, FRCS
D. Goldfarb, MD, FRCS
D. Goldstein, MD, MSc, FRCS
J. Halik, MD, FRCS
T. Holler*, MD, MSc, FRCS
R.L. Josephson, MD, PhD, FRCS
J. Lee, MD, MSc, FRCS
V. Lin, MD, FRCS
R. H.W. Ng, BSc, MD, PhD, FRCS
V. Papaioannou, MCISc
D. Pothier, MBChB, MSc, FRCS (ORL-HNS)
E.J. Propst, MD, MSc, FRCS
M. Shah, MD, MPhil, FRCS
D.B. Shipp, MA
O. Smith, MD, FRCS
M. Zirkle, MD, MEd, FRCS

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A. Chiodo, MD, FRCS
K. Conrad, MD, FRCS, FRCS
M.J. Davidson, MD, MSc, FRCS

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J. Atlas, MD, BSc (Hon), FRCS
S. Banglawala*, BSc, MPH, MD, FRCS
G. Beard, MD, FRCS
G. Belchetz*, BSc, MD, FRCS
I. Bennett, MA
M.G. Brandt, BSc, MD, FRCS
D. Brown, MD, FRCS
R. Chaban, MD, FRCS
N. Chauhan, MD, FRCS
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D. Dalgorf, MD, BSc (Hon), FRCSC
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S. Druker, MCIsc
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E. Gooden, MD, FRCSC
G. Goulding, MClSc
A. Grewal*, MD, BHsc, FRCSC
H.K. Guirgis, MB, CHB, FRCSC
D. Hacker, MD, FRCSC
B. Hassouneh, BSc, MD, FRCSC
R. Hekkenberg, MD, FRCSC
B. Hubbard*, MD, BASc, FRCCSC
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A. Katyal, MD, FRCCSC
W. Kaul, MB, FRCSC
J. Kolenda, MD, FRCCSC
M. Korman*, BA, MD, FRCSC, DAB Oto
A. Lee, MD, MSc, CCFFP(EM), FRCSC
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J. Shahin, MD, FRCCSC
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J. Witte, MA
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E. Wong, MCIsc
J. Wong, MD, FRCSC, OMC

Instructor
N.A.T. Sandor, MSc

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B.J. Cummings, MB, FRCPC, Radiation Oncology
F. Gentili, MD, FRCSC, FACS, Surgery
S. Kamel-Reid, MA, PhD, Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
F-F. Liu, MD, FRCPC, Radiation Oncology
B. O’Sullivan, MB, FRCPC, Radiation Oncology
J. Ringash, MD, BSc, MSc, FRCPC, Radiation Oncology
L.E. Rotstein, MD, FRCSC, Surgery
P.G. Walfish, MD, FRCPC, Medicine
A.M-F. Wong, MD, PhD, FRCSC, FAAO, Ophthalmology & Vision Sciences
N. Zamel, MD, FRCPC, Medicine

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B. Perez-Ordoñez, MD, FRCPC, Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
S. Symons, BASc, MPH, MD, FRCPC, Medical Imaging
G.P. Taylor, MD, FRCPC, Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
E. Yu, MD, FRCPC, Medical Imaging
G. Zadeh, MD, PhD, FRCSC, Surgery

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S. Laughlin, MD, FRCPC, Medical Imaging
B.Y. Ngan, MD, FRCPC, Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology
J. Waldron, MD, FRCPC, Radiation Oncology

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D. Parker, MSc, Speech Language Pathology
P. Ranalli, MD, FRCPC, Medicine

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<td><strong>CAMPISI, P</strong></td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>Honor Award, American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Orlando, Florida, United States.</td>
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<td><strong>CHAN, Y</strong></td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>University of Toronto, Department of Surgery Award In Recognition of Outstanding Leadership in Medical Education.</td>
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<td><strong>CHEPEHA, D</strong></td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>League of Clinical Excellence, University of Michigan Health System, University of Michigan.</td>
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<td><strong>DAVIDSON, J</strong></td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>MMMD Teacher of the Year, Dept of Otolaryngology - Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Faculty of Medicine, Peters-Boyd Academy.</td>
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<td><strong>GILBERT, R</strong></td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>Honorary Member, Italian Otolaryngology and Head &amp; Neck Society (SIO).</td>
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<td><strong>GOULDING, G</strong></td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>Winner of 2014 hEARo Award (Cochlear Implant Online).</td>
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<td><strong>HEKKENBERG, R</strong></td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>Cancer Care Ontario Regional Surgical Oncology Lead for NSM LHI</td>
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<td><strong>IRISH, J</strong></td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>Honorary Membership Award, Israeli Society of Head and Neck Surgery and Oncology.</td>
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<td><strong>LIN, V</strong></td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>Resident Advocate of the Year, Dept of Otolaryngology - Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Faculty of Medicine.</td>
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<td><strong>2015</strong></td>
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<td>Teacher of the Year, Dept of Otolaryngology - Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Faculty of Medicine.</td>
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<td><strong>2014</strong></td>
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<td>Best Otology Poster, Triological Society, Miami, Florida, United States.</td>
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<td><strong>Kuthubutheen J, Grewal A, Chen J, Nedzelski J, Symons S, Lin V.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>RUTKA, J and team</strong></td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>The Hertz Multidisciplinary Neurotology Clinic at UHN/TGH, led by Dr. John Rutka, was selected as the recipient of the 2013-14 Award of Merit for an Outstanding Team that Role Models Interprofessional Collaboration for Patient-Centred Care to Learners through the University of Toronto’s Centre for Interprofessional Education.</td>
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Leadership Activities

ABEL, S


ADAMSON, P

2012-present Editorial Board, Modern Aesthetics Magazine.
2011-present Advisor, Pan Asian Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.
2011-present Advisor, Facial Plastic Surgery Clinics Advisory Board.
2008-present Head, Division of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
1997-present Manuscript Reviewer, The Laryngoscope.
1995-present Manuscript Reviewer, Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
1994-present President and Founder, Face The Future™ Foundation.
1989-present Advisor, Canadian Academy of Facial Plastic Surgery.

American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

1986-present Facial Plastic Surgery Resident Liaison (Liaison of AAFPRS with the University of Toronto).
1987-present Director, Fellowship Program.
2002-present Member, Howard W. Smith M.D. Legacy Society.
2007-present Member, Ethics Committee.
2012-present Senior Advisor, Editorial Board JAMA Facial Plastic Surgery.

American Board of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

1989-present Board Examiner (2 day annual examinations).
1989-present Contributor of oral examination protocols.
1996-present Trustee, Robert L. Simons Leadership Society.
2003-present Senior Advisor, Board of Directors.
2006-present Member, Audit Committee.
2006-present Member, Bylaws and Publications Committee.
2007-present Member, FPS Archives Advisory Council.
2009-present Member, Core Committee on Maintenance of Certification (MOC).

International Board for Certification in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

2012-present President.
2013-present Presided over and examined at annual examinations of the European Board for Certification in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (EBCFPRS) and IBCFPRS in London, England.

JAMA Facial Plastic Surgery

2014-present Member, International Advisory Board.
2014-present Manuscript Reviewer.
ANDERSON, J

2014-present Member, Quality and Safety Committee, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, University of Toronto.

St. Michael’s Hospital

2014-present Perioperative Services Operational Review Committee.
2009-present Chair, Multidisciplinary Cancer Conference/Tumour Board Rounds.
2009-present Mobility Management Committee.
2009-present Internal Grant Reviewer, SMH Innovation Alternate Funding Plan Grants.
2005-present Member, Medical Advisory Committee.
2003-present Executive Member, Alternate Funding Plan Management Executive Committee.
1995-present Member, Perioperative Services Program Committee.
1994-present Member, Perioperative Services Advisory Group.

BRADLEY, G

2014-present Academic Continuity Working Group, University of Toronto.
2012-present Director, Oral Pathology & Oral Medicine graduate program, Faculty of Dentistry.
2010-present Council of Health Sciences Education Subcommittee (CHSES) and the Working Group on Educational Technology, University of Toronto.
2007-present Associate Dean, Biological and Diagnostic Sciences, Faculty of Dentistry.

BROWN, DH

2010-present Member, Editorial Board, Head & Neck.
2004-present Member, Editorial Board, The Laryngoscope.
2003-present Member, Editorial Board, European Archives of Otorhinolaryngology.
1994-present Member, Editorial Board, British Medical Journal.
1993-present Chair, Hospital Laser Committee, Toronto General Hospital.
1990-present Consultant Otolaryngologist, Niagara ENT Consultants, Niagara Falls.
1990-present Consultant Otolaryngologist, Sensenbrenner Hospital, Kapuskasing.
1989-present Otolaryngology Representative, Operating Room Committee, Toronto General Hospital.

CAMPISI, P

2012-present Associate Member, Rehabilitation Science (Graduate), University of Toronto.

Triological Society

2013-present Eastern Section Liaison, Combined Sections Program Committee.
2013-present Member, Fellowship Committee, Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2012-present Chair, Paediatric Otolaryngology Study Group, Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada

2012-present Member, Otolaryngology- Head & Neck Surgery Specialty Committee, RCPSC.
2012-present Member, Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery Examination Committee, RCPSC.

Hospital for Sick Children

2012-2014 President, Medical Staff Association.
2012-2014  Member, Clinical Relations Committee, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto.
2012-2014  Member, Senior Management Committee.
2010-2014  Member, Board of Trustees.
2010-2014  Member, Medical Advisory Committee.
2005-presenter  Clinical Director, Centre for Paediatric Voice and Laryngeal Function.

Manuscript Reviewer
2010-present  Journal of Pediatric Hematology and Oncology.
2009-present  Pediatric Infectious Disease Journal.
2006-present  Archives of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.
2005-present  The Laryngoscope.
2004-present  Paediatrics and Child Health.

CHAN, Y
2009-present  Member, Canadian Society of Otolaryngology Rhinology Working Group.
2014-present  Member, American Rhinologic Society CME committee.
2015 Jun  Course Planning Committee Member, Current Concepts in Head & Neck Surgery.
2015 May  Course Director, University of Toronto Rhinology Update 2015.
2015 May  Course Planning Committee Member, Sleep Symposium for General Practitioners.
2015 Feb  Course Director, The 13th Annual Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery Update.

CHEN, J
2012-present  Provincial Coordinator, Ontario Cochlear Implant Program, Patient and Public Education, Ministry of Health & Toronto Central LHIN.
2012-present  Program Coordinator, Ontario Cochlear Implant Group (OCIG), Ontario, Canada.
2011-present  Fellowship Examination Board, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada-examiner, Otolaryngology.
2007-present  Member, Medical Advisory Committee (MAC), Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.
2007-present  Member, Senior Medical Council, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.
2007-present  Member, OR Management Committee, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.
1994-present  Member, SHUTC Board of Directors, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.
1993-present  Member, Ontario Cochlear Implantation Program.
1992-present  Member, Skull Base Tumor Board, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.

CUSHING, S
2015-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.
2015-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Croatian Review of Rehabilitation Research.
2015-present  Manuscript Reviewer, European Archives of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology.
2014  Program Committee: 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2014  Course Director: 5th Annual Training Course for Healthcare Professionals on Vestibular and Balance Disorders in the Pediatric Population, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2013-present  Manuscript Reviewer, The Laryngoscope.
2013-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Cochlear Implants International.
2013-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Ear and Hearing.
2012-present  Manuscript Reviewer, PLOS ONE.
2010-present  Member, Editorial Board, Otolaryngology.
### DABDOUB, A

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<td>2013-2014</td>
<td>Initiator &amp; Organizer, Learn@Lunch Seminar Series, Faculty Development, Sunnybrook Research Institute.</td>
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<td>Chair, Thesis Committee - Maddie Lynch, MSc. Candidate, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Lab. Medicine &amp; Pathobiology, Pathology, Graduate Education, Sunnybrook Research Institute.</td>
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<td>2013-present</td>
<td>Organizer, Trainee Seminar Series, Graduate Education, Sunnybrook Research Institute.</td>
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<td>Member, International Committee, Association for Research in Otolaryngology.</td>
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<td>2012-present</td>
<td>Research Director, Hearing Regeneration Initiative, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.</td>
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<td>Consortium Member, Hearing Restoration Project, Hearing Health Foundation, New York, New York, United States.</td>
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<td>Division Chief of Otolaryngology, Southlake Regional Healthcare Centre, Newmarket, ON.</td>
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### DAVIDSON, J

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<td>Health Information Management Committee, Women’s College Hospital.</td>
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<td>Hand Hygiene Committee, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Faculty Development, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.</td>
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<td>2010-present</td>
<td>Undergraduate Education Site Coordinator, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.</td>
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<td>2013-present</td>
<td>Clinical Investigator, Guided Therapeutics, TECHNA institute.</td>
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<td>Research Council Member, North American Skull Base Society.</td>
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<td>2012-present</td>
<td>Manuscript Reviewer, Head &amp; Neck.</td>
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<td>2009-present</td>
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### DRUKER, S

- Member of Interprofessional Practice Rounds Committee, The Hospital for Sick Children.
- Liaison between University of Western Ontario & The Hospital for Sick Children for coordination of audiology graduate student placements.
- Liaison between Dalhousie University & The Hospital for Sick Children for coordination of audiology graduate student placements.

### ELLIS, D

- CPSO Peer Assessor – Out of Hospital Peer Assessor.

### ENEPEKIDES, D

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<td>2014-present</td>
<td>Chief of Surgical Oncology, Regional Lead Surgical Oncology, Toronto Central North, Cancer Care Ontario, Surgical Oncology, Surgery, Odette Cancer Centre, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.</td>
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<td>2014</td>
<td>Scientific Committee, 5th World Congress of the International Federation of Head and Neck Oncologic Societies.</td>
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<td>2013-present</td>
<td>Regional Surgical Oncology Lead, Toronto Central North, Cancer Care Ontario.</td>
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<td>2012-present</td>
<td>Head and Neck Disease Site Group Member, Cancer Care Ontario.</td>
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LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

2012-present  Operating Room Utilization Committee, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.
2011-present  Member, Advanced Training Council Committee.
2007-present  Member, Laser Safety Committee, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.
2002-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Head and Neck.
2002-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.
2002-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Archives of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery.
2002-present  Manuscript Reviewer, The Laryngoscope.

FALLS, C

2015-present  CASLPO Mentorship, Currently acting as CASLPO mentor for two audiologists in initial practice period, UBC, Dalhousie.
Member, Canadian Vestibular Best Practice Guidelines Committee (Canadian Academy of Audiology).
In charge of developing best practice vestibular assessment guidelines.
Co-editor (Tech Reviews); ENT & Audiology News.

FORTE, V

2003-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.
2003-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Archives of Otolaryngology.
1989-present  Coordinator, Grand Rounds, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, University of Toronto.

FOX, R

2015  Demonstrator, Resident Temporal Bone Teaching, Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, University of Toronto.
2009-present  OR Committee Member, St. Joseph’s Health Centre.
2010-present  Chief, Division of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, St. Joseph’s Health Centre.

FREEMAN, J

2009-present  Special Reviewer, UICC Fellowships.
1992-present  Member, Committee on Principles of Surgery Examination, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.
1990-present  Member, Editorial Board, Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology.
1989-present  Member, Editorial Board, Head and Neck Surgery.
1989-present  Member, Editorial Board, Operative Techniques in Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.

GILBERT, R

2009-present  Member, Board of Trustees, UHN.
2008-present  Chair, Cancer Program Quality Committee, UHN/PMH.
2005-present  Co-Chair, Head and Neck Clinical Trials Group, National Cancer Institute of Canada.
2003-present  Member, Planning Committee, Annual Wharton/Elia Day, with the Sullivan Lecturer, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2001-present  Member, Management Council, Department of Surgical Oncology, UHN/PMH.
2001-present  Member, Cancer Committee, UHN/PMH.
2001-present  Member, Head and Neck Site Group, UHN/PMH.
2007-present  Head, Division of Head and Neck Surgery, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, University of Toronto.
GOLDSTEIN, D

2014-present Faculty Council, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2014-present Departmental Research Committee, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2014-present Member, Thyroid Cancer Guidelines Expert Panel Working Group, Cancer Care Ontario, Program in Evidence Based Medicine.
2013-present Co-Surgical Lead, Endocrine Communities of Practice, Cancer Care Ontario.
2012-present Manuscript Reviewer, Journal of Skin Cancer.
2012-present Manuscript Reviewer, Journal of Surgical Oncology.
2012-present Affiliated Researcher, Laboratory Medicine Program, Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto, Cancer Outcomes Medicine Biostatistics Informatics.
2011-present Member, Microvascular Surgery Committee, American Academy of Otolaryngology.
2011-present Board of Directors, Member of the Board, Melanoma Network of Canada.
2009-present Member, Head & Neck Cancer Tissue Committee, UHN/PMH.
2009-present Manuscript Reviewer, European Journal of Cancer.
2008-present Manuscript Reviewer, Archives of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2007-present Manuscript Reviewer, Head & Neck.
2006-present Manuscript Reviewer, Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery.
1998-present Member, Cancer Registry and Staging Committee, UHN/PMH.

GOULDING, G

2015 Feb Kids2Hear Screening, Sprucecourt Public School.

GULLANE, P

2007-present Associate Editor, Head and Neck.
2005-present Council Member, International Federation of Head and Neck Oncologic Societies.
2002-present Council Member, American Head and Neck Society.
2000-present Member, Editorial Board, The Laryngoscope.
2000-present Senior Scientist, Cancer Informatics Division of OCI (Sub Committee of Research Council), Ontario Cancer Institute.
1997-present Wharton Chair, Head and Neck Surgery, Princess Margaret Cancer Centre.
1997-present Faculty Member, SIPac (Self-Instructional Packages), American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
1993-present Medical Assessor, Workers’ Compensation Appeals Tribunal.
1993-present Member, Editorial Board, American Journal of Otolaryngology.
LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

1991-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Les Annales d’Otolaryngologie et de Chirurgie Cervico-Faciale (France).
1991-present  Member, Editorial Board, Les Annales d’Otolaryngologie et de Chirurgie Cervico-Faciale (France).

HARRISON, R

2014  University of Toronto, Academic Board, Elected Faculty of Medicine representative.
2014  Council of Canadian Academies (CCA), expert panel on Wind Turbine Noise and Human Health.
2014  Scientific steering committee, Ontario Health Study (OHS).
2014  Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto Department Anesthesia and Pain Medicine, external review committee.
2014  Dept. Ophthalmology and Vision Sciences Mira Godard Chair search committee.
2014-present  Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto: Neuroscience and Mental Health (NMH) Program advisory committee.

HASSOUNEH, B


HIGGINS, K

2014-2016  Member of Microvascular Committee, American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2014-2016  Member of Eastern Section Nominating Committee, Triologic Society.
2014-2015  Member, Nominating Committee, Eastern Section, Triological Society.
2014  Member, CCO Thyroid Cancer Surgery QBP Advisory Committee, Cancer Care Ontario.
2014  Member of Head and Neck Disease Site Group, Ontario, Cancer Care Ontario.
2013-2014  MDMSA Representative, Sunnybrook Foundation Board.
2012-present  Affiliate Scientist, Evaluative Clinical Sciences, Odette Cancer Program, Sunnybrook Research Institute.
2012-present  Member, American Head and Neck Society Scientific Review Committee.
2012-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Craniomaxillofacial Trauma and Reconstruction.
2012-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Thyroid.
2011-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Clinical Otolaryngology.
2011-present  Endocrine Site Group Leader, Odette Cancer Centre, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Endocrine Site Group.
2010-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.
2010-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Head & Neck.
2008-present  Member, Division of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.
2006-present  Manuscript Reviewer, The Laryngoscope.

IRISH, J

2014-present  Member, Advisory Committee Robotic Assisted Minimally Invasive Surgeries, Health Quality Ontario.
2012-present  External Reviewer, Thomas Jefferson University Fellowship Program, American Head and Neck Society.
2011-present  Member, CME Measurement Task Force, American Head and Neck Society.
2011-present  Member, Council, American Head and Neck Society.
2001-present  Member, Research Council in Oncology, Ontario Cancer Institute.
2011-present  Core Lead - Guided Therapeutics, TECHNA Institute, UHN.
2010-present  Associate Editor, Head and Neck.
2010-present  Member, Editorial Board, Head and Neck.
2008-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Cancer.
2008-present  Provincial Head, Surgical Oncology, Cancer Care Ontario.
2008-present  Kevin and Sandra Sullivan Chair in Surgical Oncology, UHN/University of Toronto.
2005-present  Regional Head, Surgical Oncology Program, The Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN).
2005-present Chair, Surgical Oncology Management Council, UHN.
2003-present Staff Scientist, Clinical Studies Resource Unit, Ontario Cancer Institute.
2003-present Manuscript Reviewer, Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.
2002-present Manuscript Reviewer, Head and Neck.
2001-present Director, Surgical Services, Princess Margaret Hospital.
2001-present Chief, Department of Surgical Oncology, UHN/PMH.
2001-present Chief, Surgical Oncology, Mount Sinai Hospital.
2001-present Member, Cancer Program Executive Committee, UHN/PMH.
2001-present Director, Surgical Services, UHN/PMH.
2001-present Member, Surgical Programs Management Committee, UHN/TGH.
2001-present Member, Surgical Services Executive Committee, UHN.

Cancer Care Ontario

2012-present Clinical Sponsor, Sarcoma Services Steering Committee.
2009-present Chair, Models of Care Task Force-AFP-SRF Task Force.
2009-present Member, Diagnostic Assessment Program Leadership Team.
2008-present Member, Multidisciplinary Cancer Conference Provincial Leadership Team.
2008-present Member, Clinical Council.
2008-present Member, Clinical Programs Operation Committee.
2008-present Provincial Head, Surgical Oncology Program, Ontario.
2008-present Chair, Cancer Surgery Coordinating Committee.
2006-present Member, Wait Times Leadership Committee.
2005-present Chair, Toronto Central Surgical Oncology Council, Ontario.
2004-present Lead, Access to Care and Strategic Funding Initiatives, Surgical Oncology Program.

Ministry of Health and Long Term Care

2012-present Member, Head and Neck Organizational Standards Implementation Steering Committee.
2009-present Chair, Surgery and Diagnostic Imaging Council, Access to Care.

JAMES, A

2013-present Member, National In Training Examination Committee, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2013-present Department of ORL-HNS Resource portfolio, The Hospital for Sick Children.
2011-present Member, Editorial Board, Cochlear Implants International.
2011-present Manuscript Reviewer, Cochlear Implants International.
2011-present Manuscript Reviewer, Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2011-present Manuscript Reviewer, Otology & Neurotology.
2010-present Member, Finance Committee, American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology.
2009-present Manuscript Reviewer, Clinical Otolaryngology.
2008-present Editor, The Cochrane Library (Ear, Nose & Throat Disorders Group).
### LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

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<td>2007-present</td>
<td>Project Investigator, Research Institute, The Hospital for Sick Children.</td>
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<td>Member, Research Ethics Board, The Hospital for Sick Children.</td>
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<td>2005-present</td>
<td>Member, Annual HSC Otolaryngology-HNS fellow selection panel, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery, The Hospital for Sick Children.</td>
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#### LEE, A

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<td>2015 Jun</td>
<td>Treasurer, Medical Staff Association. Mackenzie Richmond Hospital, Richmond Hill, Ontario.</td>
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<td>Volunteer ear camp surgeon with IMPACT UK. Cambodia. Coordinator: Ms Sambo Tey.</td>
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<td>2015 Apr</td>
<td>Volunteer ear camp surgeon with Thai Rural ENT Foundation in Bhutan. Coordinator: Ms Wanwipa Rosjan.</td>
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<td>2013-present</td>
<td>Pharmacy, Nutrition and Therapeutics Committee Member. Mackenzie Richmond Hospital.</td>
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#### LEE, J

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<td>Member of Advisory Board, F1000 Research.</td>
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<td>2012-present</td>
<td>Assistant Director of Undergraduate Medical Education, Department of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery, University of Toronto.</td>
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<td>Associate Scientist, Keenan Research Centre of the Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute, St. Michael's Hospital.</td>
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<td>Undergraduate Site Director, Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Fitzgerald Academy, St. Michael’s Hospital.</td>
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<td>Member, Rhinology Working Group, Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery.</td>
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<td>Manuscript Reviewer, International Forum of Allergy and Rhinology.</td>
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<td>2011-present</td>
<td>Member of Editorial Board, American Journal of Rhinology and Allergy.</td>
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<td>Manuscript Reviewer, The Laryngoscope.</td>
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<td>Member, Scientific Awards Committee.</td>
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<td>Member, Scientific Program Committee.</td>
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#### LIN, V

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<td>Reviewer, Otolaryngology, F1000.</td>
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<td>2009-present</td>
<td>Council Member, Otology Working Group, Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery.</td>
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<td>2011-present</td>
<td>Clinical and Research Advisor, Audiology, ENT and Speech Working Group, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology - Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Patient and Public Education, Ontario Health Study.</td>
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<td>2013-present</td>
<td>Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Postgraduate Director, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology - Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Postgraduate MD.</td>
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<td>2011-present</td>
<td>Research Advisor, Postgraduate Committee, Research Coordinator, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Resident Research Supervisor/Coordinator.</td>
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<td>2008-present</td>
<td>Contributor, Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery Annual Resident In-Service Examination, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery.</td>
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<td>2010-present</td>
<td>External Grant Reviewer, Medical Research Council.</td>
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<td>External Grant Reviewer, Canadian Institute of Health Sciences.</td>
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<td>2014-present</td>
<td>Manuscript Reviewer, Journal of Medical and Biomedical Engineering.</td>
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<td>Manuscript Reviewer, Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery.</td>
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<td>Manuscript Reviewer, The American Journal of Case Reports.</td>
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MACDONALD, L

2012-present Kids2Hear – Medical student supervision.

NGAN, B-Y

1999-present Site Representative, Pathology Discipline, Children’s Oncology group, Cure Search. United States.
1999-present Member, Cancer Trial Support Unit, Pharmaceutical Branch, National Institute of Health, National Cancer Institute. United States.

PAPAIOANNOU, V

2014-present Inquiries, Complaints, and Reports Committee, College of Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists of Ontario.
2013-present Chair - Finance Committee, College of Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists of Ontario.
2010-present Canadian Association of Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists (CASLPA) Awards Committee.
2009-present Audiology Practice Advisory Committee, College of Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists of Ontario.
2003-present Advisory Committee, Georgian College Communicative Disorders Assistant Program.
2001-present Audiology Work Group – Infant Hearing Program (City of Toronto).

PAPSIN, B

2011-present Member, Board of Examiners, Undergraduate Medical Program, Committee, Faculty of Medicine.
2010-present Member, Editorial Board, Journal of International Advanced Otology.
2010-present Reviewer, Journal of International Advanced Otology.
2009-present Grant Reviewer, Canadian Institutes of Health Research, Team Grant: Vision, Hearing and Communication Disorders.
2008-present Associate Staff, Institute of Medical Science, University of Toronto.
2007-present Member, Pediatric Otolaryngology Education Committee, American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2006-present Chairman, Ad Hoc Publications Committee, American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology.
2006-present Reviewer, Archives of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2004-present Reviewer, BMC Ear, Nose and Throat Disorders.
2003-present Cochlear Americas Chair in Auditory Development, The Hospital for Sick Children.
2000-present Reviewer, University of Toronto Medical Journal.
1998-present Associate Scientist, Research Institute, The Hospital for Sick Children.
1997-present Director, Pediatric Cochlear Implant Program, The Hospital for Sick Children.

The Hospital for Sick Children

2013-present Otolaryngologist-in-Chief, The Hospital for Sick Children.
2006-present Otolaryngology Representative, Medical Staff Association.
2006-present Member, Surgical Research Committee.
2000-present Member, Credentials Committee.
PARKER, D
2010-present Peer Assessor, CASLPO.

POTHIER, D
2008-present Honorary Lecturer, Department of Healthcare Informatics, School for Health, University of Bath, Bath, United Kingdom.
2007-present Honorary Lecturer, Department of Hearing and Balance Studies, School for Applied Community and Health Studies, University of Bristol, Bristol, United Kingdom.
2005-present Co-founder and Trustee, Signal Trust Charity, United Kingdom.
2011-present Member, Editorial Advisory Group, F1000.
2010-present Member, Committee for Global Health, Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
2006-present Advisor and Domain Expert, Connecting for Health (National Programme for Information Technology – NPfIT), National Health Service (UK).
2009-present Council Member, Otorhinolaryngological Research Society (UK).
2013-present Member, Research Committee, Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.
2008-present Associate Editor, Clinical Otolaryngology.
2009-present Associate Editor — Communications, Clinical Otolaryngology.
2008-present Continuing Medical Education - section editor, Clinical Otolaryngology.
2013-present Member, Editorial Board, Advancements in Cellular and Molecular Otolaryngology.
2013-present Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Surgery.
2012-present Member, Editorial Board, Conference Papers in Medicine.
2008-present Member, Editorial Board, ENT News.
2007-present Member, Editorial Board, Clinical Otolaryngology.
2006-present Member, Editorial Board, The Otorhinolaryngologist.
2013-present Manuscript Reviewer, Brain.
2013-present Manuscript Reviewer, European Archives of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology and Head & Neck.
2013-present Manuscript Reviewer, Medical Science Monitor.
2010-present Manuscript Reviewer, African Health Sciences.
2009-present Manuscript Reviewer, Canadian Medical Association Journal.
2005-present Manuscript Reviewer, Health Informatics.
2006-present Columnist, Internet Reviews, ENT News.
2008-present Columnist, Software reviews, ENT News.

PROBST, E
2013-present Member, Expert Committee For Development of Tonsillectomy Guidelines, ON.
2012-present Manuscript Reviewer, Sensors.

The Hospital for Sick Children
2014-present Coordinator, 1st International Paediatric Open Airway Surgery Course.
2014-present Coordinator, 5th International Paediatric Endoscopic Course.
2014-present Member, Pierre Robin Sequence Working Group.
2014-present  Member, Decreasing Tracheotomy Stay Initiative.

2014  Reviewer, Summer Studentship Grants.

2013-present  Undergraduate Education Site Director, Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

2013-present  Residency Education Site Director, Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

2013-present  Member, Multidisciplinary Tracheoesophageal Fistula (TEF) Clinic.

2013-present  Medical Advisor, Parent Education Group, Hospital Improvement Taskforce. Ambulatory Design Committee.

2012-present  Director, Flexible Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallowing (FEES) Clinic.

2012-present  Fellowship Director, Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

2012-present  Director, Paediatric Otolaryngology Fellowship Director, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

2011-present  Co-Director, Disorders Relating to the Airway and Mouth in Sleep (DREAMS) Clinic.

2010-present  Member, Stem Cell Working Group, Ontario, Canada.

RUTKA, J

2006-present  Staff Consultant Otolaryngologist, Head Injury Program, St. Michael’s Hospital.

1998-present  Editor, Kommunicom Press, Otitis Diagnostica.

1992-present  Editor, Canadian Journal of Diagnosis.


SANDOR, N

2013-present  Member, Professional Development and Education Council, Mount Sinai Hospital.

2013-present  Facilitator, Interprofessional Education Program, University of Toronto.

2012-present  Member, Mount Sinai Hospital Education Advisory Panel.

1992-present  Clinical Education Co-ordinator, Mount Sinai Hospital, Otologic Function Unit.

TORGERSON, C


VESCAN, A

2014-present  Director of Undergraduate Medical Education, Otolaryngology - Head & Neck Surgery, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto.

2014-present  Co-Chair, Scientific Program Committee, North American Skull Base Society.

2013-present  Member, Membership Credentialing Committee, North American Skull Base Society.

2013-present  Member, Undergraduate Medical Education Committee, Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

2012-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Head & Neck.

2011-present  Member, Rhinology Working Group, Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

2009-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Allergy and Rhinology.


2008-present  Manuscript Reviewer, The Laryngoscope.

2007-present  Manuscript Reviewer, Skull Base.

WILLIAMS, K

Facilitator for Sunnybrook’s Interprofessional Collaboration and Education Office.

2014-present  Member: Med-El Vibrant Soundbridge Clinical Advisory Board.

WITTERICK, I

2014-present  Member, Steering Committee, Third World Congress on Thyroid Cancer.

2014-2015  Member, Diagnostic Imaging Appropriateness (DI-APP) Project, CNS + Head and Neck Panel, MOHLTC.
2010-present  Associate Editor, American Journal of Rhinology & Allergy.
2010-present  Editorial Board, Skull Base.
2009-present  Associate Member, Institute of Medical Science, University of Toronto.
1998-present  Supervisor, Rhinology and Skull Base Surgery Fellowship.

North American Skull Base Society
2013-present  Member, Surgical Education Committee.
2013-present  Member, Vendor Relations Committee.
2013-present  Member, Executive Committee.
2013-2015  Chair, Finance and Audit Committee.
2013-2015  Treasurer.
2011-present  Member, Board of Directors.

Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery
2012-present  Member, Canadian Otolaryngology Academic Chairs (COACH) Committee.
2002-present  Member, Head & Neck Oncology Group.
2002-present  Member, Rhinology Group.
2010-2015  Member, Nominating/Long Range Planning Committee.
2010-2015  Member, CPD/CME Committee.

Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada
2010-present  Member, Accreditation Committee.
2014  Member, External Review of the Division of Plastic Surgery, Department of Surgery, Dalhousie University.

Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto
2014-present  Co-Chair, Clinical Chairs Committee Working Group on Education Role Remuneration.
2012-present  Member, Clinical Relations Committee.
2012-present  Member, Clinical Chairs Committee.
2012-present  Member, All Chairs Committee.
2012-present  Member, Executive Committee, Institute of Medical Science.
2011-present  Ex-Officio Member, Faculty Council.
2011-present  Member, Executive Committee.
2011-present  Member, Striking Committee.
2011-present  Chair, Education Committee.
2008-present  Member, Steering Committee, Surgical Skills Centre.
2008-present  Member, Advisory Committee on Professionalism.

Mount Sinai Hospital
2012-present  Member, Medical Advisory Council.
2012-present  Otolaryngologist-in-Chief.
2008-present  Member, Oncology Accreditation Committee.

Manuscript Reviewer
2014-present  BMJ Case Reports.
2012-present  Journal of Surgical Oncology.
2011-present  Annals of Otolaryngology, Rhinology and Laryngology.
2011-present  Cancer.
2011-present  International Forum of Allergy & Rhinology.
2011-present  International Journal of Surgical Oncology.
2010-present  American Journal of Rhinology & Allergy.
2010-present  Skull Base.
2008-present  Head & Neck.
2003-present  The Laryngoscope.

ZIRKLE, M

2013-2015  Manuscript Reviewer, Medical Education.

St. Michael's Hospital

2010-present  Committee Member, Member, Education Council, Faculty of Medicine.
2010-present  Committee Member, Interprofessional Education, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology - Head & Neck Surgery.
2010-present  Co-Chair, Chair, Student Experience Committee, Faculty of Medicine, Dept of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

Undergraduate Medical Education

2010-present  Director, FitzGerald Academy, St Michael's Hospital, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
2013-present  Working Group for Health Science Research Course, Faculty of Medicine, Canada.
2014-2015  IPSTP working group, Faculty of Medicine.

University of Toronto

2013-present  Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship Working Group, Faculty of Medicine.
2010-present  Member, Undergraduate Medical Education, Executive Committee, Faculty of Medicine.
2010-present  Member, Undergraduate Medical Education, Curriculum Committee, Faculty of Medicine.
2010-present  Member, Undergraduate Medical Education, Academy Director Committee, Faculty of Medicine.
2010-present  Member, Undergraduate Medical Education, Clerkship Committee, Faculty of Medicine.
2010-present  Member, Undergraduate Medical Education, PreClerkship Committee, Faculty of Medicine.
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<td>2012 Apr - 2015 Mar</td>
<td>Strategies for mitigating communication challenges and hearing loss in high-level noise during military manoeuvres. Defence R&amp;D Canada, Personnel Partner Group, Total Funding $400,000.</td>
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<td>2012 - 2015</td>
<td>Randomized Controlled Trial of Voice Therapy on Children with Vocal Nodules. NIH/NIDCD. PI: C. Hartnick, MD. Collaborator(s): J. Kerschner, MD, P. Campisi, MD, R. Sataloff, MD. $287,764.</td>
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<td>Co-Principal Investigator</td>
<td>Expression of Wnt pathway molecules and potential to stimulate hair cell regeneration. Hearing Health Foundation (USA). Hearing Restoration Project. $121,000 USD. Co-Principal Investigator: Dr. Albert Edge.</td>
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<td>Induction of cochlear neurons by defined transcription factors. Capita Foundation. Collaborator(s): None. $4,000 USD.</td>
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HIGGINS, K


2014 Jul - 2018 Jul Co-Principal Investigator. Tissue engineering of auricular cartilage implants for external ear reconstruction. CIHR. PI: Dr. S. Waldman. Collaborator(s): Dr. Cushing, Dr. M. Kunz, Prof. S. Pang and Dr. A. Winterborn. $460,000.

2013 Jul - 2015 Jul Co-Principal Investigator. The application of MR-guided HIFU for regionally recurrent unresectable head and neck carcinoma. FUS Foundation. PI: Dr. Justin Lee. Collaborator(s): Dr. Danny Enepekides and Dr. Kevin M. Higgins. $75,000.


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JAMES, A

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<td>“Simulation and a training model for developing basic endoscopic sinus surgery skills in the novice resident trainee”. St. Michael’s Hospital Innovation Funds Grant. Collaborator(s): Dr. Gordon Tsang, Resident.</td>
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<td>Age-Related Changes in the Effects of Stimulation Rates on Cortical Processing and Speech Recognition in CI Listeners. Med-EL Austria. Collaborator(s): Lendra Friesen.</td>
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Residents & Fellows
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**PGY 1**
- Yael Bensoussan
- Peter Dixon
- Weibo Hao
- Yelda Jozaghi
- Patrick Scheffler

**PGY 2**
- Michael Awad
- Stephen Chen
- Andrew Ma
- Jason Xu
- Christopher Yao
- Jonathan Yip

**PGY 3**
- Michael Au
- Gian-Marlo Busato
- Gavin le Nobel
- Gordon Tsang

**PGY 4**
- Antoine (Tony) Eskander
- Sarah Hugh
- Kayvan Nateghiard
- Heather Osborn
- Modupe (Dupe) Oyewumi
- Edward Park
- Jenny Wang
- Nik Wolter
- Xiao Zhao

**PGY 5**
- Vinay Fernandes
- Lukas Kus

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Department of Otolaryngology - Head & Neck Surgery

Residents 2014-2015

*Front Row:* Heather Osborn-PGY4, Dupe Oyewumi-PGY4, Dr. Paolo Campisi, Visiting Professor Dr. Bradley Welling, Dr. Ian Witterick, Sarah Hugh-PGY4, Yelda Jozaghi-PGY1

*Centre Row:* Nikolaus Wolter-PGY4, Kayvan Nateghiard-PGY4, Jonathan Yip-PGY2, Andrew Ma-PGY2, Edward Park-PGY4, Gordon Tsang-PGY3

*Back Row:* Michael Au-PGY3, Gian-Marlo Busato-PGY3, Lukas Kus-PGY5, Xiao Zhao-PGY4, Vinay Fernandes-PGY5, Jason Xu-PGY2, Stephen Chen-PGY2

*Missing Residents:* Yael Bensoussan-PGY1, Peter Dixon-PGY1, Weibo Hao-PGY1, Patrick Scheffler-PGY1, Michael Awad-PGY2, Christopher Yao-PGY2, Gavin le Nobel-PGY3, Antoine Eskander-PGY4, Jenny Wang-PGY4
## Fellows and Fellowships

### Head and Neck Oncology

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### Rhinology, Skull Base and Head & Neck Oncology

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### Medical & Surgical Otology/Neurotology

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*For more information, please refer to the University Health Network, Mount Sinai Hospital, and Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.*
Laryngology

Tulika Shinghal

**Mentor:** Dr. Jennifer Anderson, St. Michael’s Hospital

Global Health

Shiva Nagaratnam (Research)

**Mentor:** Dr. Arnold Noyek
Departmental Awards Program
Departmental Awards Program

These awards are presented on Percy Ireland Day or the evening before at the Percy Ireland Faculty Dinner.

**Dr. Xiao Zhao received the Chapnik, Freeman and Friedberg Clinician Scientist Program Award** - Awarded to a resident/fellow or junior faculty in the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery enrolled in a Master of Science, Master’s of Health Science or Master’s in Education or PhD degree at the University of Toronto.

**Dr. Vinay Fernandes (PGY5) received the Freda Noyek Otolaryngology Merit Award** - In recognition of special commitment to patient care and academic achievement.

**Dr. Peter Dixon (PGY1) received the Judy Chauvin Otolaryngology Resident Award** – In recognition of an enthusiastic interest in the initiation of a serious otolaryngology-related research project.

**Dr. Elaheh Akbari received the Kris Conrad Merit Award in Facial Plastic Surgery** - For demonstrating outstanding skills in facial plastic surgery.
Dr. Vincent Lin received the Resident Advocacy Award – In recognition of dedication to improving the residency program through support and mentorship.

Dr. Michael Au (PGY3) received The Shiley E.O. Pelausa Award - For demonstration of excellent clinical work by a PGY3.

Dr. Sarah Hugh (PGY4) received The Wharton Head and Neck Research Award - For best paper in head and neck clinical or basic science research.

Dr. Vincent Lin received the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery Excellence in Teaching Award - Awarded to a faculty member who demonstrates excellence in teaching and education with contributions made at the level of undergraduate, postgraduate and/or continuing education.

Drs. Vinay Fernandes and Lukas Kus both received the Resident Teacher of the Year Award - Awarded to a PGY5 resident who is judged to have been an outstanding teacher to other residents and medical students during their residency.
Dr. Andrew Foreman received the Fellow Teacher of the Year Award - Awarded to a fellow who is judged to have been an outstanding teacher to residents and medical students during their fellowship.

Dr. Vito Forte received The Alma Smitheringale Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award - Awarded to a faculty member, resident or fellow for outstanding undergraduate teaching or curriculum development.

Dr. Jeremy Freeman received the Distinguished Alumnus Award - Awarded to an alumnus in recognition of having demonstrated an exceptional commitment and dedication to the practice and teaching of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery and whose professional ethical standards have been of the highest order.

Dr. Xiao Zhao received the Dr. Raymond H. W. Ng Graduate Award - Awarded to a graduate student enrolled in a full-time MSc program in the Faculty of Medicine.

and

Mr. Mattia Carraro received the Dr. Raymond H. W. Ng PhD Award - Awarded to a graduate student enrolled in a full-time PhD program in the Faculty of Medicine.
2014-15 Harry Barberian Scholarship Awards

Yael Bensoussan (PGY1)
“Web/Smartphone App to Improve Perioperative Experience”
(Supervisors: Drs. Allan Vescan & Ian Witterick)

Mattia Carraro (Graduate Student)
“Olivo Cochlear Efferents and Sound Localization”
(Supervisor: Dr. Robert V. Harrison)

Guodong Fu (Graduate Student)
“MicroRNAs and Oral Dysplasia”
(Supervisors: Drs. Ranju Ralhan & Paul Walfish)

Ruishuang Geng (Graduate Student)
“Hair Cell Regeneration in the Vestibular System Using Wnt/notch Pathways”
(Supervisors: Drs. Alain Abdoub & Vincent Lin)

Gilad Horowitz (Clinical Fellow, HNS Oncology)
“Biological Marker for Matted Nodes”
(Supervisor: Dr. Douglas Chepeha)

Ophir Ilan (Clinical Fellow, Otology/Neurotology)
“Recording Human Vestibular Evoked Potentials”
(Supervisor: Dr. John Rutka)

Andrew Ma (PGY2)
“Radiolucent Mouth Retractor”
(Supervisor: Dr. John de Almeida)

Kayvan Nateghifard (PGY4)
“Microlaryngoscopy Simulator”
(Supervisor: Dr. Jennifer Anderson)

Teppei Noda (Graduate Student)
“Reprogramming of Spiral Ganglion Cells into Neurons”
(Supervisor: Dr. Alain Abdoub)

William Parkes (Clinical Fellow, Pediatric Otolaryngology)
“Stimulation of Vestibular System by Cochlear Implants”
(Supervisors: Drs. Karen Gordon & Blake Papsin)

Jenny Wang (PGY4)
“Expression of Chromatin Proteins in Primary OSCC Tumors”
(Supervisors: Drs. David Goldstein & Geoffrey Liu)

Christopher Yao (PGY2)
“Harnessing Vacuum Technology in Otolaryngology”
(Supervisor: Dr. Vito Forte)

Jonathan Yip (PGY3)
“Nitric Oxide Levels in ESS Patients”
(Supervisor: Dr. John Lee)

Xiao Zhao (Graduate Student)
“Adipose Derived Stromal Cells and Reversal of Radiation Fibrosis”
(Supervisor: Dr. Fei-Fei Liu)
FRIDAY MAY 8, 2015
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO’S HART HOUSE, MUSIC ROOM

The Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery held its 24th Annual Percy Ireland Academic Day on May 8, 2015 at the University of Toronto’s Hart House.


Dr. Ronal Fenton was our Guest of Honour

Exhibit Hall

Hart House, Music Room

BEST PAPER IN EACH OF FIVE CATEGORIES

Recognition is given to one presenter in each category

Category 1 - Work undertaken by post-residency research fellows/graduate degree students:

Awarded to Mattia Carraro for his project:
“Vascular Damage to the Cochlea after CMV Infection”
Category 2 - Work undertaken by PGY 2 Residents during clinical rotation:
Awarded to Stephen Chen for his project: “Investigating Hearing Loss and Alzheimer’s Disease in Mouse Models”

Category 3 - Work undertaken by PGY 3 Residents during clinical rotation:
Awarded to Michael Au for his project: “Endoscopic Nasopharyngectomy: An anatomic cadaver study”

Category 4 - Work undertaken by PGY 4 Residents during clinical rotation:
Awarded to Heather Osborn for her project: “Non-Sedated Auditory Brainstem Response Testing as an Early Indicator of Spontaneous Recovery in Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder”

Category 5 - Work undertaken by Post-Residency Clinical Fellows:
Awarded to Ophir Ilan for his project: “Olfactory and Cochleovestibular Dysfunction After Head Injury in the Workplace”

Best Overall Presented Paper:
Awarded to Xiao Zhao for his project: “The Role of Adipose Derived Stromal Cells for Reversal of Radiation Fibrosis”
Annual Percy Ireland Dinner

Thursday May 7, 2015

Dr. Julian Nedzelski and wife Joanne

Drs. Robert V. Harrison (left) and Peter Lewis

Drs. Oakley Smith (left) and Wilfred Goodman

Drs. Julian Nedzelski (left) and Visiting Professor Bradley Welling

Dr. Wilfred Goodman (right) with his son

Drs. Julian Nedzelski (left) and Visiting Professor Bradley Welling
Ms. Sandra Kellogg (left) and Mrs. Susan Campisi

Drs. Elhamy Samak (left) and Ian Witterick

L to R: Dr. Jamil Asaria, Mr. Ajay Jain, Drs. Tulika Shinghal, Euna Hwang and Sumeet Anand

L to R: Drs. Patrick Scheffler, John Lee and Jonathan Yip

L to R: Drs. Artur Gevorgyan, Eric Arruda, Oakley Smith, Mrs. Maria Arruda

L to R: Drs. Patrick Gullane, Alma Smitheringale, Mrs. Marilena Rutka, Drs. John Rutka and Vito Forte
Dr. Ian Witterick (left) and Ms. Gaye Quan

Drs. Ron Fenton (left) and Ian Witterick

Drs. Paolo Campisi (left) and Ian Witterick

Stacey and Eric Monteiro

L to R: Drs. Eric Arruda, Patrick Gullane and Artur Gevorgyan

Dr. Nik Wolter (left) holding Xavier Richard Rusty Sloan (Sharon’s newborn) with Dr. Sharon Cushing
Departmental Committees and Membership
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Executive
Chair: Ian Witterick
Members: Peter Adamson, Jennifer Anderson, Paolo Campisi, Yvonne Chan, Joseph Chen, Al Chiodo, Jeremy Freeman, Ralph Gilbert, Patrick Gullane, Robert V. Harrison, Jonathan Irish, Vicky Papaioannou, Blake Papsin, Allan Vescan

2014 Executive Committee Reception held on December 2, 2014 at the McLean House, Estates of Sunnybrook

Residency Program Committee (formerly PGME)
Chair: Paolo Campisi
Members: John de Almeida, Jeremy Freeman, Bradley Hubbard, John Lee, Vincent Lin, Yael Bensoussan (PGY1), Gian-Marco Busato (PGY3), Lukas Kus (Chief Resident), Kayvan Nateghifard (PGY4), Jason Xu (PGY2), Alipasha Rassouli (Fellow representative)

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)
Chair: Yvonne Chan
Members: Paolo Campisi, Allan Vescan, Ian Witterick

Research
Chair: Robert V. Harrison
Members: Alain Dabdoub, Doug Chepeha, David Goldstein, Karen Gordon, John Lee, Vincent Lin, David Pothier, Evan Propst, Al Vescan; Paolo Campisi, Ian Witterick [ex-officio]

Audiology
Chair: Vicky Papaioannou
Hospital for Sick Children: Susan Druker, Karen Gordon, Gina Goulding, Laurie MacDonald
Sunnybrook Health Science Centre: Julija Adamonis, David Shipp, Kari Smilsky, Ken Williams
Mount Sinai Hospital: Ida Bennett, Dana Parker-Storms, Nadia Sandor, Eloise Thurier, Erica Wong, Jill Witte, University Health Network: Maxine Armstrong, Carolyn Falls

Undergraduate Medical Education (UME)
Chair: Allan Vescan
Members: Jason Atlas, Dale Brown, Deron Brown, Paolo Campisi, Yvonne Chan, Jean Davidson, Thileep Kandasamy, John Lee, Raewyn Seaberg, Jack Shahn, Al Vescan, Jeff Werger; Student Representatives: Joel Davies, Terence Fu, Anna Goulding, Joon-II (Daniel) Lee, Jonathan Yip; Resident Representative: Vinay Fernandes

Department Appointment Committee (DAC)
Chair: Jonathan Irish
Members: Peter Adamson, Jennifer Anderson, Joseph Chen, Jeremy Freeman, Ralph Gilbert, Robert V. Harrison, Vicky Papaioannou, Blake Papsin, Ian Witterick
Departmental Promotions
Chair: Robert V. Harrison
Members: Peter Adamson, Joseph Chen, Ralph Gilbert, Jonathan Irish, Blake Papsin, Ian Witterick

Budget Advisory
Chair: Ian Witterick
Members: Jennifer Anderson, Joseph Chen, Jeremy Freeman, Ralph Gilbert, Robert V. Harrison, Blake Papsin

Community Academic
Chair: Yvonne Chan

Advancement
Chair: Patrick Gullane
Members: Ian Witterick, Heather Yearwood

Quality and Safety
Chair: Danny Enepekides
Members: Jennifer Anderson, Doug Chepeha, Jonathan Irish, Adrian James, Eric Monteiro, David Pothier, Manish Shah, Ian Witterick
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORTS
Dr. I. Witterick (Chair)

The departmental Executive Committee is the senior advisory body to the Chair. The committee includes the hospital chiefs, the directors of undergraduate medical education, postgraduate medical education, continuing professional development, research and the chairs of committees in our department (Audiology, Advancement, Departmental Appointments Committee and Promotions). The head of our two divisions (Head and Neck Oncology and Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery) as well as the representative for the Community Academic Faculty also sit on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee receives reports from all standing committees on a monthly basis and distributes minutes of the meetings to all faculty members. The committee provides guidance to the Chair in all matters related to the functioning of the department.

In an effort to get to know different hospitals better, the Executive Committee continued their tour of the different teaching hospitals as part of their monthly meetings. This was a great opportunity to see the clinics, operating rooms and the various hospital departments.

A regular item on the agenda is the Strategic Academic Plan which is on track. I am grateful to all members of the committee for their time, energy and input into the functioning of our department.
The first significant event in Undergraduate Medical Education (UME) in the 2014-15 academic year was the Canadian Conference in Undergraduate Medical Education in Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery that took place at McGill University in October. This event hosted the undergraduate leaders in our specialty from across the country. The morning session featured a lecture series showcasing the leading minds in UME. The afternoon session involved breakout small group sessions covering various topics in UME as it pertains to our specialty. Many initiatives were agreed upon including a national exam bank, national UME educational objectives and development of a simulation curriculum focused on UME.

In January 2015, we participated in the second year of the Art and Science of Medicine Year I (ASCM I) course. We had 13 faculty members lead small group teaching sessions in a novel “Co-teaching” environment with ASCM 1 tutors. All 260 students of the 1st year medical school class were being taught by our faculty on one busy morning.

**Pre-Clerkship Courses**

Dr. Brad Hubbard took over the Preclerkship Curriculum as Assistant UME director and led the department in the delivery of the ASCM1, MMMD, PBL and Longitudinal Elective courses.

Our department was able to deliver the second year curriculum through the ASCM II course and MMMD course. Drs. Hubbard, Lee and I were able to provide the core lectures in our specialty in the MMMD course. During the MMMD course, an otoscopy simulation session using the OtoSim™ was again successfully delivered. Dr. Hubbard taught the highly attended and successful OtoSim™ class.

We successfully hosted an Otosim™ Session for the 1st year class that was very positively received in conjunction with the ASCM I course in January 2015.
Our department continued to offer a longitudinal experience in our specialty to first and second year medical students.

**Post-Clerkship Courses**

With the guidance of our Assistant UME Director, Dr. John Lee, our department was able to successfully engage in the Transition to Residency Program offering more positions for fourth year students. Dr. Lee also lectured in the Fusion course, which prepares fourth year students to write the Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Examination. Moreover, Dr. Lee represented our department in the Portfolio Course.

Over the years, Drs. Davidson, Smitheringale and Zirkle have been faculty leads in the Problem Based Learning Course.

**Clerkship**

Our changes in the delivery of the clerkship experience with half of the students rotating through community OHNS practices has been very successful. We are seeing the highest course evaluation and Teacher Effectiveness scores in recent history. This is due to the outstanding efforts of our UME teachers in our community sites and our downtown sites, where improved teacher to student ratio has had a very positive impact.

The 1st year of the Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship program at SMH was successful and early feedback has been very positive. Seven students successfully completed this new clerkship rotation at SMH. It will be expanding to 24 students at the Peters-Boyd and Wightman-Berris Academies in the upcoming year.

**Future Direction**

The pre-clerkship curriculum is being radically overhauled for the rollout in the fall of 2016. We are actively involved in maintaining our footprint in the new curriculum and ensuring that future medical students will continue to receive the exposure to OHNS that is unmatched in Canadian UME. Stay tuned for the details of the new “Foundations Curriculum”.

Dr. Paolo Campisi (Chair)

The 2014–2015 academic year has been another exciting year for Postgraduate Medical Education (PGME) with the introduction of several new initiatives, outstanding contributions from our Residents, Fellows and Faculty and a long list of teaching and research awards. This PGME report represents a brief overview of these contributions and achievements.

The Residency Program Committee (RPC) is a key component of the Postgraduate Program. The RPC meets monthly to discuss and monitor the educational program, develop and implement new initiatives, and engage our learners to play an active role in the management of the program.

Congratulations and a sincere thank you to all the members of the RPC for their invaluable contributions.

Residents

There were 25 residents and 24 clinical/research fellows enrolled in Postgraduate training programs within our department. Dr. Lukas Kus served as Chief Resident, representing his co-residents in an exemplary fashion. Dr. Kus completed his term on April 30, 2015 and Dr. Edward Park was elected the incoming Chief Resident. Congratulations Ed and Lukas.

The graduating group of residents successfully passed the Royal College Examinations in Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery held in Ottawa on June 23rd, 2015. Congratulations to Drs. Lukas Kus and Vinay Fernandes. Vinay has initiated a Head and Neck Surgical Oncology Fellowship at Stanford University. Lukas is pursuing a community-based practice.

Resident Selection

The CaRMS selection process, held on January 30, 2015, included traditional interviews, multiple-mini interviews (MMI) and a surgical skills station. The
Selection Committee consisted of residents and faculty that participated in the interview process. The traditional interviews were administered by Drs. Ian Witterick, Paolo Campisi, Lukas Kus, Heather Osborn, Gavin le Nobel, and Dupe Oyewumi. The MMI’s were administered by Drs. Sharon Cushing, Al Chiodo, Vincent Lin and Dale Brown. The surgical skills station was prepared and administered by Drs. Vito Forte and Gian-Marco Busato.

The department successfully matched all available positions to Canadian medical graduates. The department was delighted to welcome Joel Davies from the University of Toronto, Mirko Kolarski from the University of British Columbia, Frédérick Laliberté from McGill University, Sunita Rai from McMaster University and Josie Xu from Queen’s University.

**Residency Curriculum**

The Residency Core Curriculum is provided over a 3-year cycle to residents in the PGY 2-4 years. In the 2014-2015 academic year, the core topics covered were Otology and Neurotology and Rhinology and Skull Base Surgery. Drs. John Rutka, John Lee and Allan Vescan served as leads for the series of lectures provided. The PGY1 residents attended weekly “Foundations of Surgery” lectures and a “Prep Camp” in July prior to joining clinical rotations. The PGY5 residents participated in weekly Fellowship Study lectures provided by faculty in preparation for the Royal College Examinations. Residents in the PGY 3-5 years are required to participate in the yearly National In-Training Examination (NITE). Dr. Adrian James represented the department on the NITE National Committee, contributing to the development and evaluation of the examination.

The faculty have continued to provide several exceptional clinical courses for the residents and fellows. A special thank you goes out to Drs. Peter Adamson and Jamil Asaria (Soft Tissue Dissection and Rhinoplasty courses), Drs. John Lee and Allan Vescan (Sinus Endoscopy Course), Dr. David Pothier (Endoscopic Ear Surgery Course), and the many faculty that contributed to the six Temporal Bone Dissection courses.

The department has continued to support Global Health initiatives by offering an opportunity to our senior residents to join Dr. Peter Adamson on humanitarian missions with the Face the Future program. In June 2015, Dr. Nik Wolter participated in the humanitarian mission to Russia. In the coming academic year, the department will work towards re-establishing opportunities to work in Northern Ontario with Dr. John Rutka. Our thanks to Drs. Adamson and Rutka for providing these invaluable educational experiences.

Several new initiatives were introduced into the program in the past academic year. Sessions with standardized patients were organized to review CanMEDS competencies, and high-fidelity operating room simulation scenarios with the Department of Anaesthesia were developed at the Hospital for Sick Children. A formal sleep medicine rotation, organized by Dr. Raymond Ng, was successfully implemented into the core rotations. The second annual resident retreat was held on March 20, 2015. The morning session included seminars on...
‘Transition to Practice’ presented by Drs. Al Chiodo, Janet Chung, John de Almeida and Aman Grewal. Residents then enjoyed an evening of intrigue at the Escape Room and a local pub. The residents also enjoyed a spirited Go Karting race at Polson Pier and the Docks in September 2014 but were unable to pass any of the faculty drivers.

The PGY4 residents attending the annual meeting of the American Academy of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery in Orlando Florida were treated to a savory dinner at Emeril’s Restaurant.

Drs. Luke Kus and Vinay Fernandes did a great job organizing Otolaryngology Jeopardy on December 5, 2014.

Fellowship Programs

The Department of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery at the University of Toronto continues to be a beacon for fellowship training nationally and internationally. There were 24 fellows enrolled in clinical and research training in our department for the 2014–2015 academic year.
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A graduation ceremony was held on June 24, 2015 at the Faculty Club.
Dr. Glen Bandiera

Tonino, Classical guitarist

L to R: Drs. Vincent Lin, Ohad Hilly, Jean Davidson, Joseph Chen

Drs. Ian Witterick (left) and Dale Brown

L to R: Drs. Sarah Hugh, Gavin le Nobel, Trisha Roy (Gavin’s fiancée)

L to R: Drs. Daniel Rocke, Vinay Fernandez, Andrew Foreman, Dale Brown
Research

The PGY2 residents continue to participate in 4-month research blocks under the supervision of various faculty members. This component of the residency training program has inspired several residents to pursue graduate level programs in subsequent years. Dr. Jennifer Wang completed a Master’s degree through the University of Toronto, Johns Hopkins University and the Clinician Investigator Program (CIP). Dr. Xiao Zhao reclassified his Master's Program into a PhD program again as part of the CIP.

The third Harry Barberian Fundraising Dinner was held on May 5th, 2015. The proceeds from this annual event are used to fund resident and faculty research in the department. The recipients of Harry Barberian Scholarships for 2015 are listed in the “Departmental Awards Program” section of the annual report (see page 52). A special thank you to Mr. Arron Barberian and Dr. Jeremy Freeman for their ongoing support of this annual event.

The Percy Ireland Annual Academic Day was held on May 8, 2015. The invited professor was Dr. Bradley Welling from Harvard University. The quality of the research projects was again extraordinary, showcasing the depth of our Research Program. The awardees of the various categories are listed in the ‘Percy Ireland Academic Day’ section of this report (see page 58).

Research and Teaching Awards

- Drs. Lukas Kus and Vinay Fernandes were recognized by their peers as the Resident Teachers of the Year.
- Dr. Andrew Foreman was recognized by the residents as the Fellow Teacher of the Year.
- Dr. Vincent Lin was recognized by faculty and residents as Postgraduate Teacher of the Year and was awarded the Resident Advocacy Award.
- Dr. Brad Hubbard was nominated for the 2014–2015 Dr. John H. Fowler Excellence in Teaching Award at the Toronto East General Hospital.
- Drs. Ohad Hilly, Joseph Chen, Farad Pirouzmand, James Birch, Euna Hwang, Vincent Lin, Richard Aviv and Sean Symons received the 2nd Place Poster Prize at the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery meeting in Winnipeg for their poster on “Tractography of the Facial Nerve in Patients with Cerebellopontine Angle Tumors”.

A great time was had by all at the Faculty Club
Dr. Yvonne Chan (Chair)

Our department has established a reputation of delivering world class continuing education programs under the University of Toronto brand for community and academic otolaryngologists. We are indebted to our entire faculty who volunteer their time and energy to organize the successful courses that are attended by otolaryngologists around the world. I would like to thank Dr. Vito Forte for organizing our Grand Rounds every Friday morning during the academic year. These rounds include presentations from visiting professors, guest lecturers, community & academic faculty, fellows, and residents. In the last 3 years, we have added the capability to watch the Grand Rounds live or archived through the OTN (Ontario Telemedicine Network) to help provide our community academic faculty easier access to these educational activities.

Courses Organized

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| March 31-April 1, 2015 | Toronto Endoscopic Ear Surgery Course (Dr. David Pothier)                              | Matteo Alicandri-Ciufelli, Italy  
Stephane Ayache, France  
Chris Coulson, UK  
Seiji Kakehata, Japan  
Jane Lea, UBC  
Daniele Marchioni, Italy  
João Flavio Nogueira, Brazil |
| February 6-7, 2015 | 5th Toronto Voice Course (Dr. Jennifer Anderson)                                        | Tim Brown, Dalhousie University  
Ramon Franco, Harvard Medical School  
Erin Silverman, University of Florida |
| February 7, 2015 | 13th Annual Otolaryngology Update (Drs. Yvonne Chan, Al Chiodo, Brad Hubbard)            | Tim Brown, Dalhousie University  
Ramon Franco, Harvard Medical School  
Safeena Kherani, University of Ottawa  
Shaun Kilty, University of Ottawa  
David Schramm, University of Ottawa  
Ved Tandan, OMA President  
Marc Tewfik, McGill University  
John Yoo, Western University |
| October 17, 2014 | International Pediatric Endoscopy Course (Dr. Evan Propst)                               | Matthew Bromwich, University of Ottawa  
Sam Daniel, McGill University  
Patrick Froehlich, University of Montreal  
Murad Husein, Western University  
Kaalan Johnson, University of Washington  
Darren Leitao, University of Manitoba  
Jonathan MacLean, McMaster University  
John Manoukian, McGill University  
Lily Nguyen, McGill University  
Jeremy Prager, University of Colorado  
Steven Sobol, University of Pennsylvania  
Jean-Philippe Vaccani, University of Ottawa |
| October 17, 2014 | International Pediatric Open Airway Surgery Course (Dr. Evan Propst)                     | Matthew Bromwich, University of Ottawa  
Patrick Froehlich, University of Montreal  
Murad Husein, Western University  
Kaalan Johnson, University of Washington  
John Manoukian, McGill University  
Jeremy Prager, University of Colorado  
Steven Sobol, University of Pennsylvania |
| October 15-18, 2014 | 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants (Drs. Karen Gordon and Blake Papsin) | Multiple, 23 invited speakers, 81 open papers and over 90 posters |
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| October 14-15, 2014 | 5th Annual Pediatric Vestibular Balance Update (Dr. Sharon Cushing) | Jacob Brodsky, Harvard  
Faithe Kalisperis, University of Delaware  
Thierry Morlet, University of Delaware  
Robert O’Reilly, University of Delaware |
| October 14-15, 2014 | International Pediatric Temporal Bone Dissection Course (Dr. Adrian James) | Antje Aschendorf, University of Freiberg, Germany  
John Hamilton, Gloucestershire Hospitals Trust, UK  
Robert O’Reilly, University of Delaware |

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**Rhinology Update 2015**

**Drs. Heinz Stammberger (left) and Yvonne Chan**

**Guest Lecturers, Faculty and Staff. Wharton/Elia Day 2015**

**5th Annual Voice Course, Surgical Skills Lab, February 6-7, 2015**
13th Annual Otolaryngology Update, February 7, 2015. Exhibit Hall

5th Annual Voice Course, Surgical Skills Lab, February 6-7, 2015

13th Annual Otolaryngology Update, February 7, 2015. Li Ka Shing Auditorium

5th Toronto International Pediatric Endoscopic Course, October 16, 2014

5th Toronto International Pediatric Endoscopic Course, October 16, 2014

Toronto International Pediatric Open Airway Surgery Course, October 17, 2014
## Invited Professors/Invited Guests

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<td>Ohio State University Medical College</td>
<td>Past, Present and Future of Endoscopic Skull Base Surgery</td>
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<td>May 22, 2015</td>
<td>Heinz Stammberger</td>
<td>Medical University Graz, Austria</td>
<td>Analyzing Complications in FESS – How and why they occur (and how to avoid them): The Lamella Principle in Teaching and Learning</td>
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<td>Allan Siperstein</td>
<td>Cleveland Clinic (Binstock Lecturer)</td>
<td>Changing Concepts in Parathyroid Surgery: Science Versus Marketing</td>
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<td>February 20, 2015</td>
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<td>Screening for Hearing Impairment in Ontario – Where have we been? Where are we heading?</td>
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<td>Peter Ferguson</td>
<td>A Recipe for Radical Curricular Change in Postgraduate Surgical Training</td>
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<td>Catharine Whiteside</td>
<td>Recognizing the Value of Integration: Role of the University in Academic Health Science Centres</td>
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<td>Anthony Nichols</td>
<td>Paired Genomics and High-throughput Drug Testing to Direct Precision Treatment of Anaplastic Thyroid Cancer</td>
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<td>Why do We Smell? What happens when we lose it? What are the causes of Olfactory loss? How can we treat it?</td>
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<td>Franco Trabalzini, Italy</td>
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International Continuing Education

The Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery continues to play an increasing and effective role in international continuing medical education and facilitating Canadian influence in international development and health systems development. This is pioneered by Dr. Arnold Noyek, Director for International Continuing Medical Education for the Faculty of Medicine. Over the years, Dr. Noyek, through CIESPO, used CPD for health as a bridge to peace and global health initiatives. The core principle has always been: Canadian umbrella, academic setting, multilateral on the ground across the Arab and Israeli divide. More recently, University of Toronto accredited distance educational programming through video teleconferencing had been developed. The durable network of peaceful professional cooperation across the Arab and Israeli frontier has been offering increasing and regularized CISEPO (www.CISEPO.ca) and Peter A. Silverman Global teleHealth programming involving Canadian, Israeli, Jordanian and Palestinian universities, teachers, residents, students, nurses and health care professionals. The department facilitates these high impact multidisciplinary programs thus extending its own influence as an international academic and educational broker not only in advancing hearing health and other aspects of Otolaryngology but by engaging in a multidisciplinary manner with a variety of universities and health centers worldwide.

Upcoming Courses – 2015 & Beyond

- Nov 6, 2015: American College of Surgeons Thyroid & Parathyroid Ultrasound Course, Toronto.
- Feb 6, 2016: 14th Annual Otolaryngology Update, Toronto.

Summary

We are committed to further establishing innovative courses for otolaryngologists, academic and community, as well as family practitioners and allied health care providers. Faculty development is an area of new opportunity for us to explore including teaching, time management, leadership training, and development of teaching dossiers for promotion application. I would like to thank Ms. Audrea Martin, our business officer, for her continued excellent support for our CPD portfolio.
The mission of the Faculty of Medicine is to seek excellence in clinical practice, teaching and research, and we follow that lead in our department. We have clinicians, surgeon-scientists, basic-scientists and numerous trainees who study all aspects of research under the wide spectrum of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery. In our department, clinically related research is carried out by most of our staff, often in association with other health-care professionals and/or basic scientists. Our full-time scientists interact extensively with our clinicians in translational studies, and are also involved in basic aspects of science (“discovery science”) relating to Otolaryngology–HNS. The research teams that work within our University department and illustrated in the schematic at the beginning of the Research Team Reports section of this report.

Our departmental Research Committee is structured to represent the research activities in each of our core teaching hospitals, and to adequately represent both clinical and basic research. Thus, Karen Gordon and Evan Propst cover research at SickKids. Representatives from Sunnybrook are Alain Dabdoub and Vincent Lin. Mt. Sinai Hospital research is represented by Al Vescan, and from St. Mike’s, John Lee. At UHN, David Pothier and David Goldstein are the hospital representatives, and we welcome a new member to our research committee from UHN, Doug Chepeha. The committee also includes ex-officio members Ian Witterick and Paolo Campisi.

In our discussions throughout the year we have addressed some of the pressing current issues relating to research. This included the growing difficulty in obtaining federal or provincial research support, and the increasing need to rely on industry or philanthropic funding. We have discussed issues in the research publishing world, which is also undergoing a major transition with online journals usurping the traditional hard copy journals. This has forced journals to charge higher processing and “open access” fees. At the same time literally hundreds of online publishing enterprises have been created, competing with established journals. Some of these new online journals are high quality with strict manuscript review; others take your money and provide minimal peer review. Another topic of interest/concern is the increasing use of various metrics to quantify the quality of research. We have tried to educate our departmental researchers on the value (or otherwise) of journal impact factor, H-index and other citation index measures.

Two events in the department are the highlights of the academic year. Our annual academic (Percy Ireland) day is when the focus of attention is on both clinical trainees research during residency or fellowship, as well as graduate students in basic science labs. This year the standard of presentations was outstanding. We have also hosted an excellent research evening (November 13, 2014) that
attempted to exhibit many of the research activities in the department. This year we held this event in the new research tower at SickKids (Peter Gilgan Centre for Research and Learning). The time available at the research evening is always inadequate to allow coverage of all the science that goes on “behind the scenes” in our department. But we try to cover as much as possible.

The past year has seen the initiation, as well as the fruition of many research endeavours. Our department continues to improve research productivity in terms of input of grant funding, and publication and presentation output. By all measures of research productivity, we continue to grow and fulfill the research mission of the Faculty of Medicine in Toronto. Well done to all those who have contributed to our academic progress.
Audiology

Ms. Vicky Papaioannou (Chair)

The Audiology Committee is composed of a strong group of audiologists dedicated to research, undergraduate and postgraduate education, and continuing medical education within the department. Members of the Audiology Committee under the leadership of Susan Druker provided audiology teaching as part of the Otolaryngology curriculum for the undergraduate medical students. The core lecture series for the otolaryngology residents took place again in the fall. “Audiogram of the Month” continued for another year expanding to include vestibular cases as well. Kids2Hear, a combined program involving undergraduate medical students and members of our department returned in 2014-15. The students and many members of our department participated in hearing screening at several different Toronto elementary schools as well as a follow up clinic at SickKids. Stacey Weber, audiologist working in the Strategic Policy and Planning Division of the Ministry of Children and Youth Services, and Pranesh Chakraborty, a physician from CHEO certified by the Royal College in Medical Biochemistry and Paediatrics were this year’s speakers for the Krista Riko Lecture. They presented on screening for hearing impairment in Ontario and the possible changes to both hearing screening and newborn screening in general.

The Audiology Committee held its annual meeting at The Hospital for Sick Children in the fall. Various topics of interest were discussed such as the Committee’s role within the department, content of the undergraduate and core lecture series as well as the Kids2Hear Program and Audiogram of the Month.

The Audiology Committee members for the 2014-2015 academic year were:

Hospital for Sick Children
Susan Druker, Karen Gordon, Gina Goulding, Laurie MacDonald, Vicky Papaioannou (Chair)

Sinai Health System
Ida Bennett, Dana Parker, Nadia Sandor, Eloise Thurier, Erica Wong, Jill Witte

Sunnybrook Health Science Centre
Julija Adamonis, David Shipp, Kari Smilsky, Ken Williams

University Health Network
Maxine Armstrong
Dr. Jonathan Irish (Chair)

The Department Appointment Committee (DAC) was established in all clinical departments under the directive of the Dean of Medicine, University of Toronto. The DAC has the following mandates:

1. ensure consistent and appropriate appointment processes to the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery
2. conduct the performance review (the usual probationary period prior to a continuing annual appointment is three years, but may be extended for up to two years) of all full-time appointments in accordance with the Procedures Manual for Clinical Faculty.

The DAC provides advice to the Chair and Hospital Chief regarding all initial part-time, full-time, adjunct appointments and conducts a performance review of all full-time academic appointments at the end of the probationary period. The Committee is active and has three planned meetings per year with other meetings scheduled as necessary.

The Department Appointment Committee has made the following recommendations to the Chair of the department this year:

**Approval of New Full-Time Faculty Appointment**

Eric Monteiro (MSH)

**Approval of New Clinical Adjunct Faculty Appointments all at the level of Lecturer**

Sarfaraz Banglawala  
Greg Belchetz  
Janet Chung  
Amandeep Grewal  
Bradley Hubbard  
Mark Korman  
Victor Toran  
Adrienne Wong

**Approval of New Clinical Part Time Faculty Appointment at the level of Assistant Professor**

Theresa Holler

**Approval of New Status Only Appointment at the level of Lecturer**

Carolyn Falls

**Re-appointment of 43 Clinical Adjunct Faculty**

The DAC membership would like to congratulate all new faculty members to the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.
Department Promotions Committee

Dr. Robert V. Harrison (Chair)

Our Promotions Committee is structured to reflect the full range of clinical sub-specialties in Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery, as well as the special interests of our teaching hospitals. All members of this committee are at the rank of full professor. The committee for this year consisted of Peter Adamson, Joe Chen, Ralph Gilbert, Jonathan Irish and Blake Papsin. Ian Witterick is ex officio.

“Promotion through the ranks” at the University of Toronto is an important marker of academic achievement, and a marker of excellence in both our clinical and research communities. In the Faculty of Medicine the standards and criteria for promotion are high. In a clinical department such as ours, research and contributions to teaching are important, as well as providing excellent role models for those in clinical practice. Our Departmental Promotions Committee makes an assessment and will recommend promotion candidates to our Chair and to the Dean. Our committee also assists candidates to prepare documentation, and coordinates external and internal peer reviews. Our committee does not award promotion, but decides who is eligible for consideration by the Decanal Committee of the Faculty of Medicine.

In the past year we are pleased to note that all of our candidates have successfully been promoted. Congratulations to Vincent Lin, Alain Dabdoub, Jennifer Anderson and Andres Gantous for promotion to Associate Professor, and particular recognition for Paolo Campisi for promotion to Full Professor.

This past year our committee has taken on a new role, that of “junior promotions”. Many of our community based faculty who have served the educational mission of the department by mentoring and training medical undergraduates and residents rightfully deserve university professorial rank. Our Chair has developed and implemented a process for promotion of lecturers to assistant professor level, based on the guidelines used for senior promotions. We have initiated this scheme over the past year and already have a number of deserving candidates ready for promotion.

Professorial rank is one of the more tangible reminders that we are part of a University family. In this regard our promotions committee has an important role, and I would like to thank all members of our committee for their careful and diligent assistance.
Dr. I. Witterick (Chair)

The Budget Advisory Committee met one time in the 2014-15 academic year. The committee helps to guide the Chair in appropriately monitoring the financial affairs of the department, particularly related to academic stipends. Thank you to all members of the committee.
The membership of this group of faculty has increased significantly in the last 5 years as we take on a more expanded role in undergraduate and postgraduate education. This year, I would like to welcome the following new community academic faculty: Drs. Saf Banglawala, Greg Belchetz, Janet Chung, Aman Grewal, Brad Hubbard, and Mark Korman.

The Community Academic Faculty continues to play an active role in all levels of education and research within the department. At the undergraduate level, clinical teachers at all the academies are actively involved in the Art & Science of Clinical Medicine (ASCM) teaching and clerkship teaching. Medical students are also being supervised by our community faculty during clinical observerships, both pre-clerkship and clerkship. At the postgraduate education level, trainees continue to rotate through Toronto East General Hospital, North York General Hospital, Trillium Health Partners and William Osler Health System. PGY4 residents have a 1 month rotation in Facial Plastic Surgery. In addition to residency training, world renowned fellowships in Facial Plastic Surgery are offered by Drs. Adamson, Ellis, and Conrad.

Our Community Academic Faculty is involved in Continuing Education & Professional Development to practicing otolaryngologists, we sponsored an excellent lecture “Management of Allergic Rhinitis” by Dr. Paul Keith. We were involved in the planning and sponsorship of the successful 13th Annual Otolaryngology Update in February 2015 at the Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute. Again, it was extremely well attended and highly rated by otolaryngologists across Ontario.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award this year was presented at the Percy Ireland Dinner in May 2015. This award is presented to an Alumnus of the University of Toronto Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery and whose professional and ethical standards have been of the highest order. This year’s award was presented to Dr. Jeremy Freeman.

As the membership of this division grows, we will continue to make a strong contribution to both clinical and basic science research and all levels of education through publications, invited lectures, and visiting professorships.
Advancement Initiatives and Successes

Dr. Patrick Gullane (Lead)

This past year we have experienced a further period of generosity and philanthropy resulting in a most successful year of donations that continues to fund the mission of our department and specialty.

The generous gift of $100,000 to the University from Dr. Raymond Ng in 2013 (and matched by the Provost and Dean) spearheaded the creation of two endowed funds, one for the support of PhD students in our department and the second for MSc trainees with an interest in further pursuing an academic career in Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery. This sparked a desire by others to continue with this initiative that has resulted in the transformation of both the Undergraduate and Postgraduate programs: exposing students to more robust hands-on training, playing an important role in enhancing the education of general medical practitioners and inspiring students who wish to pursue Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery as a specialty.

In addition, we have facilitated the establishment of Graduate Awards and funding for Fellowships within the many subspecialty areas that enables our brightest students to be trained and educated by some of the best faculty in the world. This helps to ensure our future that Canada has the expertise we need to meet the challenges and the opportunities facing us today and in years to come. Needless to say this crucial, hands-on training is unique to the University of Toronto.

Well how do we continue to facilitate this support of our department’s vision? We are again indebted to yet another benefactor who in 2014 contributed generously. On Thursday January 22, 2015, another very successful advancement dinner was held by Mr. Ralph Chiodo at the Head Office of Active Green+Ross where approximately $100,000 was raised for the purchase of equipment for undergraduate medical education and teaching. We are indebted to Mr. Chiodo, his family and the generous planning committee including Mr. Joe Falcone, Mr. Fausto Gaudio, Drs. Vito Forte, Paolo Campisi and Al Chiodo who were responsible for finding this most charismatic and generous donor. His vision and generosity raised funds to purchase the balance of the OtoSim™ units that has made the otologic experience for our students within the University of Toronto unique. What a success story built around philanthropy.

The momentum of generosity was further experienced and enhanced with the 3rd Annual Harry Barberian Memorial dinner organized by Dr. Jeremy Freeman and supported by Mr. Arron Barberian at his historic restaurant and steakhouse. Over 80 generous donors including this year’s special guest, Chief of Police Mr. Mark Saunders, attended the special evening with spectacular food that raised in excess of $100,000. This will enable the funding of research scholarships for our newly recruited faculty and residents across the university department.
This year we are also grateful for a generous donation from the Canadian Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and some matching funds from our department that has created a $50,000 endowed graduate award. This award is named the Wilfred Goodman Award in Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery. Dr. Goodman was our department’s first program director as well as an exceptional surgeon and pioneer in the art of “open rhinoplasty”, where in the early 60’s he single handedly promoted and popularized this technique in North America. In its early years of development, this approach was extremely criticized by many surgeons in the field of rhinoplasty but has now become the standard of care in all complex nasal reconstructions thanks to the perseverance of Dr. Goodman. The award is given annually for the benefit of student trainees (residents) and fellows who are undertaking their education and research in the field of facial plastic and reconstructive surgery.

I am pleased to report to you this year that a very generous donation of $240,000 has been contributed by the “Smile China Foundation” in honour of Dr. Joseph K. Wong who was responsible for this initiative. The funds will in perpetuity support: An annual “Joseph K. H. Wong/Smile China Project Lecture in Global Health & Outreach” as well as travel awards. The lecture will be hosted annually by the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery welcoming an esteemed Visiting Professor with a focus on global health and outreach.

In addition to the above, some of our faculty have made generous contributions to the department through wills and donations that include funding named lectures, research awards and scholarships that exceed $300,000.

Finally over this past year we have seen the leadership at the University advancement office change with the departure of Mr. Mike De Haan and the appointment of Mr. Brian Bachand as of August 2014 as Executive Director of Advancement in the Faculty of Medicine. Ms. Farzana Rajwani who returned to the University of Calgary was replaced by the talented Ms. Heather Yearwood on March 1, 2015 as the Senior Development Officer supporting our department’s advancement mission. We look forward to working closely with these visionary leaders as we further enhance and promote this most important area of development.
I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone attending the special fundraising event in support of the University of Toronto’s Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.

This gathering, which includes an interactive clinical demonstration, promises to be an informative and memorable experience for all those in attendance. Proceeds will advance medical education and patient care by providing students with access to the newest technology used in the diagnosis of ear pathologies. I would like to commend you for supporting this worthy cause. Your generous contributions demonstrate a commitment to a valued academic institution and its mission.

On behalf of the Government of Canada, I offer my best wishes for an enjoyable evening and for every success in meeting your fundraising goal.


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Members: Drs. Ralph Gilbert (Chair), Dale Brown, Douglas Chepeha, Jean Davidson, John de Almeida, Danny Enepekides, Jeremy Freeman, Patrick Gullane, David Goldstein, Kevin Higgins, Jonathan Irish, Allan Vescan and Ian Witterick

The Division of Head and Neck Oncology at the University of Toronto continues to have an extremely productive clinical and academic program. The clinical and academic programs are located at three sites: The Princess Margaret/UHN site with surgical services at the Toronto General Hospital; the Princess Margaret/Mt. Sinai site with surgical services at Mt. Sinai Hospital and the Sunnybrook/Odette site.

The division directs an American Head and Neck Society Advanced Training Fellowship under the leadership of Dr. Jeremy Freeman. This highly sought after fellowship program with six clinical rotations and one research position, draws applicants from around the world and develops and trains the future leaders of our subspecialty.

The PMH/UHN site provides tertiary/quaternary services in Head and Neck Oncology within the largest regional program in Canada. The PMH/UHN site provides a complete spectrum of head and neck services including Endocrine, Microvascular surgery and minimally invasive approaches including Robotics.

The departments at UHN and Mt. Sinai are pleased to welcome Douglas Chepeha to our group. Doug has been recruited from the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery at the University of Michigan where he served with the rank of tenured Full Professor and directed their Reconstructive Microsurgery Program. Doug will provide leadership in translational research at the Princess Margaret Site and will further advance our reconstructive program.

The PMH/UHN program has a strong multidisciplinary translational program, with four core labs focused on different aspects of Head and Neck Oncology. This program has been strongly supported by the PMH Foundation with key donations from the Joe Findlay and Wharton endowments.

The PMH/Mt. Sinai site continues to offer tertiary/quaternary Head and Neck Services with an internationally acclaimed program in endocrine oncology. Drs. Witterick, Vescan and de Almeida in collaboration with the UHN neurosurgery group provide a world-class program in MIS skull base surgery at Mt. Sinai and the Toronto Western Hospital. The Mt. Sinai site has an active and extremely productive molecular oncology program in endocrine and oral cancer.

The Sunnybrook/Odette Site offers tertiary/quaternary Head and Neck Oncology Services including Endocrine and Microvascular Surgery. The group at Sunnybrook also has a major
presence in the Odette multidisciplinary Skin Malignancy Site Group. Dr. Kevin Higgins is the site chair for Head and Neck at Sunnybrook. The Group continues to collaborate with the UHN group and has an active research program in molecular imaging and outcomes research. Dr. Danny Enepekides is the Head of Surgical Oncology at the Odette Cancer Centre at Sunnybrook, one of the leading departments in the country.

The University of Toronto Head and Neck Division had a very productive academic year. Our collaboration with Memorial Sloan-Kettering Hospital in New York and the MD Anderson Hospital in Houston in presenting the annual Current Concepts Meeting continues and involves a broad spectrum of our faculty. Our division was invited by the International Academy of Oral Oncology to present a panel Innovation in Head and Neck Reconstruction at this year’s meeting in Rhodes and were represented by Drs. Witterick, Gullane, Gilbert, Chepeha and de Almeida.

The division’s staff continue to be highly sought after speakers with presentations in the past year at a number of high profile Head and Neck meetings including; IFOS, IFHNOS, Italian Otolaryngology Society, Royal Society of Medicine, IAOO, BAOMS and the North American Skull Base Meeting. Dr. Irish will be the Chair of the International Head and Neck Meeting put on by the American Head and Neck Society in July of 2016, and will also serve as Vice-President of the AHNS. Dr. Gilbert has been elected President-Elect of the International Academy of Oral Oncology and will serve as President in 2017. Dr. Witterick is Vice-President of the North American Skull Base Society and will be President in 2018.

The division continues to thrive providing world class clinical programs to the region and the province. The division through its academic programs continues to have a national and international presence providing leadership in Advanced Head and Neck training and improving the care and survival for patients afflicted with Head and Neck Malignancies.
It is my pleasure to report on the activities of the Division of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery for the academic year 2014-2015. We presently have 19 members, as we welcome Professor Douglas Chepeha joining our division. Other members of our division include Doctors Andres Gantous, Ashlin Alexander, Jamil Asaria, Cory Torgerson, Danny Enepekides, David Ellis, David Goldstein, Kevin Higgins, Krzysztof Conrad, Michael Brandt, Nitin Chauhan, Oakley Smith, Phil Solomon, Ralph Gilbert, Richard Rival, Robert Mounsey, Xerxes Punthakee and myself.

Teaching Courses

Two courses were held in conjunction with the Mount Sinai Hospital Surgical Skills Laboratory. The traditional Rhinoplasty Dissection Workshop, directed by Dr. Adamson, was held on March 30, 2015. This year the Soft Tissue Workshop was expanded to include three separate sessions. The Back to Basics session which included Simple Suturing Techniques was held September 29, 2014, Scar Revision November 24, 2014 and Local Flaps February 2, 2015. Doctors Ashlin Alexander and Michael Brandt, along with Dr. Adamson, directed the workshops. Fourteen divisional faculty attended and shared their experience.

In addition, many of our faculty participated in the Canadian Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Annual Clinical Day titled “Back to Basics” on October 25, 2014 in Toronto at the Chestnut Residence and Conference Centre. A large number of our members published peer-reviewed papers, journal articles and book chapters. Many were also active in teaching presentations at regional, national and international meetings.

Individual Teaching

The aesthetic and reconstructive surgery one month set rotation continues for the PGY4 residents. Divisional faculty participating include Doctors Solomon, Rival, Ellis, Conrad and Adamson. Dr. Adamson and Dr. Ellis continue with their fellowships sponsored by the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. This year’s fellows included Dr. Susan Tan for Dr. Ellis and Dr. Eli Akbari for Dr. Adamson. Dr. Conrad’s fellow, Dr. Alipasha Rassouli, is sponsored by the department. Several members in the division also accept international surgeons for clinical observerships. These include Doctors Conrad, Ellis, Rival, Smith and Adamson.

Dr. Ralph Gilbert chaired our divisional Grand Rounds on January 9, 2015. The topic was Local and Regional Flaps and included Doctors Chepeha, Enepekides and Higgins on the panel which discussed challenging cases. The Journal Club on March 24, 2015 discussed the topic of Face Transplantation. Several residents made excellent
presentations which were followed by vigorous discussion amongst the residents and faculty. Dr. Jamil Asaria was invited to join the adjunct surgical faculty of the Division of Dermatology Mohs Surgery Program. He joins Dr. Adamson who lectures annually to the dermatology residents on facial plastic surgery.

**Divisional Activities**

The division had its annual meeting at Vita Sociale on October 20, 2014. In addition to the usual issues discussed, there was a fulsome review of requirements for truth in advertising and specific professional ethical issues, some of which pose a challenge in this era of social media.

During the year the division participated in the review of one of our traditional awards, the *Wilfred Goodman Award in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery*. This award is based on academic merit as assessed by a paper in facial plastic and reconstructive surgery, emphasizing aesthetic surgery, which has been presented at a national meeting. The criteria for the award have been altered somewhat, with the award henceforth being open to all residents and fellows across Canada. Applications for the award will be reviewed by the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery at the University of Toronto, with the final recommendation for the winner to be made by the Chair of our department. The winning paper will be presented at the Clinical Day of the Canadian Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. This award is currently endowed for $50,000 and will consist of an annual award of $1000, or in certain years two awards of $500 each. The award will only be given when merited, not necessarily annually.

In addition, this year a new award was created to honor one of our esteemed colleagues, Dr. Joseph K. H. Wong, who passed away in 2014. Through the efforts and generosity of his wife, Gaye Quan, the funds which had been used to support Dr. Wong’s own foundation, Smile China, have been transferred to the University of Toronto to be utilized for an annual lecture and to support humanitarian missions. The lecture will be in Dr. Wong’s name and will bring an invited guest to speak on topics in facial plastic and reconstructive surgery. Proceeds from the endowment fund will also be open to faculty and residents to apply for humanitarian missions. The management of the funds and awards will be under the auspices of the Chair of our department. Currently the endowed funds are $240,000, which will be split equally for the lectureship and the humanitarian activities grants.

Dr. Eli Akbari, Dr. Adamson’s fellow, was this year’s winner of the Krzysztof Conrad Award for excellence in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

**Association Activities**

Dr. Andres Gantous is our Canadian Regional Director on the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (AAFPRS) Board of Directors. Dr. Asaria sits on the Emerging Trends and Technologies and the Face to Face Committees of the AAFPRS. Doctors Alexander and Mounsey continue their work on committees at the American Board of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (ABFPRS) writing written and oral examination protocols. Dr. Michael Brandt sits on the C.O.R.E (Centralized Otolaryngology Research Efforts) committee for research activities, representing the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

Dr. Adamson continues in his role as President of the International Board for Certification in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, taking leading roles in the board examinations in Washington, DC and London, England. He continues as a Senior Advisor to the ABFPRS and is on the International Advisory Board of the Journal of the American Medical Association in Facial Plastic Surgery (JAMA FPS).

**Humanitarian Efforts**

Once again, it is noteworthy that the receipt of funds to begin Dr. Joseph Wong’s endowment to support humanitarian activities will have a very positive impact on our department and our division. This year Dr. Nikolaus Wolter was supported by the department to participate in the Face the Future™
Foundation mission to Ulyanovsk, Russia.

Dr. Adamson continues as President and Founder of the Face the Future™ Foundation. This year the foundation supported four overseas missions, two to Rwanda and two to Russia. Dr. Adamson was the Chef de Mission for missions to Kigali, Rwanda with a team of 12 in February and a mission to Ulyanovsk, Russia with a team of 10 in June. More details of these missions can be found in the Humanitarian Activities Report elsewhere in this Annual Report.

Future Directions

All members of our faculty continue to encourage residents to consider electives in facial plastic and reconstructive surgery. We also look forward to continuing the recently established tradition of having a PGY4 resident participate in the annual Face the Future™ missions. It is also hopeful that other staff faculty members of our department may consider joining future missions.

We look to continue our core lecture series, our rhinoplasty and soft tissue workshops and our PGY4 resident rotations. This year we are planning a Skin Cancer Education Day working with Dermatology. We will continue to support the overall academic mission of our department in facial plastic and reconstructive surgery.

It takes much work by many people to provide all of the academic activities outlined above. I would like to express my deepest appreciation and gratitude to each and every member of our division for their enthusiasm and commitment to our academic mission and for their numerous contributions. In addition, Doctors Witterick, Campisi, Vescan and numerous other faculty continue to provide the necessary support and valuable advice for our work. It must be recognized that virtually all of our activities take place because of the superb dedication and support of our departmental administrative staff. In particular, on behalf of all of our divisional faculty members, I extend my gratitude to Sonia Valente, Sandra Kellogg and Audrea Martin. And we also look forward to working with Michael Figueiredo in the years to come.
The Division of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery at NYGH is staffed by four full time Surgeons (Drs. Gooden, Goldfarb, Shah and Kandasamy) and four full time audiologists. We recently celebrated our first anniversary in our new ambulatory clinic and continue to provide the full range of otolaryngology service including the provincial Infant Hearing Screening Program, which is run by our Audiology partner Dr. Gina Oh.

The division continues to participate regularly in the Undergraduate Otolaryngology Teaching Program (ASCM and clerkship teaching), the Transition to Clerkship Program as well as the new Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship Program. We continue to attract many elective residents from Family Medicine as well as Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

We have successfully partnered with the Toronto East General Hospital with our Continuing Education Rounds by using video link allowing both Hospital groups to participate on a regular basis.

Dr. Manish Shah continues to partner with Mount Sinai Hospital and most recently has started a collaborative quality outcomes research study with the Mount Sinai faculty.

NYGH continues its tradition of balancing its budget despite increased volumes and has invested realized gains back into clinical programs. As a result, our division has seen increased access to hospital resources.

NYGH continues its 150 million dollar fund raising campaign and has surpassed 100 million dollars towards this goal. Dr. Gooden continues to co-chair the physician campaign that has raised over 1.5 million dollars.
Sinai Health System is a new organization resulting from a voluntary amalgamation between Bridgepoint Active Healthcare and Mount Sinai Hospital. It also includes the home care provider Circle of Care (COC) as an affiliate. Circle of Care will remain a separate organization with its own board of which 50% of its members will be appointed by the new Sinai Health System Board. This arrangement enables COC to operate independently and, at the same time, work with the Sinai Health System to develop integrated programs in areas that will benefit patients. The Mount Sinai Hospital and Bridgepoint Active Healthcare names will remain the same under the banner of Sinai Health System. The new branding and identity for the Sinai Health System is currently being developed. The Lunenfeld-Tannenbaum Research Institute (LTRI) and the Bridgepoint Collaboratory for Research and Innovation will be integrated. New research foci within the LTRI are being created to accelerate research into health systems, complexity and rehabilitation. Sinai Health System will have an integrated medical staff with a single Medical Advisory Committee with representation by physicians from both sites and its committees. The President and Chief Executive Officer is Mr. Joseph Mapa. The Associate CEO and Chief Transformation Officer is Ms. Marian Walsh (former CEO of Bridgepoint Active Healthcare).

The Sinai Health System will work together to create a premier exemplar of an integrated health system that provides better and more coordinated care for patients.

Mount Sinai Hospital is undergoing significant change with multi-year capital redevelopment projects to create, expand and modernize the building called Renew Sinai. Anyone who has visited Mount Sinai lately will notice that our lobby is undergoing extensive renovations to feature patient-friendly areas including commercial services with easy navigation and an accessible design. The entire footprint of the hospital is being re-imagined. It will allow the hospital to leverage the best practices and advances in technology to deliver The Best Medicine to our patients.

Phase 1 opened in 2012 with six new floors on the Murray Street side of the building with an additional 160,000 sq. ft. This was primarily for the Frances Bloomberg Centre for Women’s and Infant’s Health, including the David & Stacey Cynamon Mother and Baby Unit. Phase 2 opened in 2015 with a new neonatal intensive care unit including single room units and enhanced security and infection control features. A new labour and delivery unit including five new operating rooms and new antenatal units with increased room sizes were included. Phase 3 planning and design are underway. This will include doubling the size of the Schwartz/Reisman Emergency Department to over 28,000 sq. ft. enabling Mount Sinai to accommodate the expected
growth in emergency patient volume from approximately 56,000 patients per year to an estimated 80,000 over the next few years. In addition, the surgical suites will be moved to the 7th floor with 18 new state-of-the-art operating rooms, including a new robotics-assisted suite and imaging technology. Phase 3 will include a new intensive care unit with a 50% increase in beds and upgraded equipment. There are plans for new in-patient beds and ambulatory clinic space redesign.

Between April 1, 2014 and March 31, 2015 MSH had 27,851 admissions, 6,599 births, 418 beds in service, 60,930 emergency department visits, 745,319 ambulatory care visits, 16,156 surgical procedures and 183,697 medical imaging procedures (Source: https://www.mountsinai.on.ca/about_us/fast-facts)

Our Faculty

The four full-time clinical faculty are Drs. Chapnik, Freeman, Vescan and Witterick. Part-time faculty includes Drs. Ashlin Alexander, Yvonne Chan, Nitin Chauhan, Kris Conrad, Dustin Dalgorf, Taryn Davids, John de Almeida, Arnold Noyek, Xerxes Punthakee and Manish Shah.

As mentioned in the Chair’s Report, I would like to congratulate and thank Drs. Jack Friedberg, Sharon Abel, Martyn Hyde and Ms. Ida Bennett for their years of service and support to Mount Sinai Hospital and our university department. We will all miss them and would like to wish them every success and fulfillment in retirement.

We welcome Dr. Eric Monteiro who starts his clinical practice on July 1, 2015. Eric is cross-appointed to UHN and will participate in multi-disciplinary head and neck oncology clinics at Princess Margaret Cancer Centre. He has a particular focus clinically in head and neck oncology, complex rhinology and anterior skull base surgery with a research focus in quality and safety measures. We all welcome and congratulate Eric on the start of his practice.

Education

Mount Sinai Hospital remains a popular rotation with residents and fellows. There are also a large number of visiting medical students, residents and observers through our clinics and operating rooms. We continue to have a significant number of off-service residents from ophthalmology, anesthesia and pathology. The teaching evaluation and rotation effectiveness scores remain excellent and some of the best in the department.

Mount Sinai Hospital is one of the sites piloting the Longitudinal Integrated Curriculum for the 2015-16 year with three clinical clerks. Dr. Freeman mentored Drs. Nidal Muhanna and Daniel Rocke as Head & Neck Oncology fellows. Drs. Witterick and Vescan mentored clinical fellows Drs. Eric Monteiro and Yazeed Alghonaim as well as research fellow, Dr. Elhamy Samak as Rhinology, Skull Base and Head & Neck Oncology fellows.

Several of our faculty hold important positions within the department and university. Dr. Allan Vescan is the Director of Undergraduate Medical Education for our department and Dr. Yvonne Chan is the Director of Continuing Professional Development. Dr. Witterick is Chair of the department and Chair of the Education Committee for the Faculty of Medicine. Dr. Freeman directs the Head & Neck Oncology Fellowship program. There was a very successful match of head & neck oncology fellows for July 2016 filled with candidates from the United States. Outside of the university, Dr. Witterick was named Vice President of the North American Skull Base Society (NASBS) and Dr. Vescan Program Co-Chair for the 2016 NASBS meeting in Arizona. Dr. Vescan is also an examiner for the Royal College.

Congratulations to Dr. Taryn Davids on completion of her Master’s degree in Clinical Epidemiology and Dr. Eric Monteiro for completion of his Master’s degree in Quality and Safety. Dr. Vescan will be defending his Master’s thesis through the Institute of Medical Science at the University of Toronto in September 2015. Ms. Fatima Jesse is pursuing her Master’s degree with Dr. Ranju Ralhan, PhD in our department.

We hosted the University of Toronto Rhinology Update on May 22-23, 2015 including Drs. Yvonne Chan, Allan Vescan (and John Lee) coordinating the didactic, live surgery and specimen demonstrations.
Dr. Heinz Stammberger was one of the invited visiting professors. Drs. Jeremy Freeman and Yvonne Chan are planning an American College of Surgeons accredited *Thyroid Ultrasound Course* on November 6, 2015. Drs. Freeman and Witterick are on the steering committee of the 3rd *World Congress on Thyroid Cancer* scheduled for July 2017 in Boston. They were also on the first two World Congresses held in Toronto; the last congress in July 2013 had an audience of over 1,000 attendees from more than 60 countries.

Dr. Freeman organized the 13th *Annual Morley Binstock University of Toronto-Mount Sinai Hospital Lecture in Head and Neck Oncology* and Visiting Professor, Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery University of Toronto on May 1, 2015. The guest lecturer was Dr. Allan Siperstein from the Cleveland Clinic who gave a lecture titled *Changing Concepts in Parathyroid Surgery: Science Versus Marketing*.

We are working on an otolaryngology procedures website for patient education. Currently we are developing modules for adenotonsillectomy and thyroidectomy with collaborations in the Department of Biomedical Communications at the University of Toronto.

**Our Nurses**

Congratulations to the Mount Sinai Hospital nurses on achieving Magnet® recognition this year. Magnet® is the highest and most prestigious international distinction for nursing excellence and outstanding patient care. It is a voluntary recognition program conducted by the American Nurses Credentialing Center. Magnet® is more than just an award and the principles are structural empowerment of nurses and those who work with them; transformational leadership; exemplary professional practice; new knowledge, innovation and improvement; and a focus on empirical quality outcomes. Mount Sinai is the first Canadian hospital to achieve this prestigious recognition and fewer than 7% of US hospitals have attained Magnet® status. Congratulations to all of our nurses and nursing leadership!

**Awards**

Congratulations to Dr. Freeman who received the *Distinguished Alumnus Award* from the Community Academic Faculty in our university department this year. The award is given in recognition of having demonstrated an exceptional commitment and dedication to the practice and teaching of otolaryngology-head & neck surgery and whose professional and ethical standards have been of the highest order.

Two new awards were created in honour of Dr. Arnold M. Noyek named the Arnold M. Noyek O.C. Awards. These scholarships will fund two student’s teleHealth projects annually, one for a student in the Faculty of Medicine and another for a student in the Dalla Lana School of Public Health.

**Advancement**

Dr. Freeman, the MSH Foundation and a grateful family led by Mr. Arron Barberian organized the 3rd Annual Harry Barberian Memorial Dinner on May 5, 2015. The ultimate tally is being finalized but we believe approximately $100K was raised. The funds are used to provide research scholarships to residents, fellows and faculty in our department through a competitive peer-reviewed grant mechanism (detailed elsewhere in this Annual Report).

Other significant contributions to the department continue to include the Frederick Wax Family, the Joseph Sonshine Family, the Freeman Family and the Keith Ray Fund. Dr. Freeman is the Temmy Latner/Dynacare Chair in Head and Neck Oncology. Dr. Walfish is the Alex and Simona Shnaider Research Chair in Thyroid Oncology and the principal organizer and Co-Chair of the Annual Mount Sinai Hospital DaVinci Gala for thyroid cancer care and research in support of the Joseph and Mildred Sonshine Family Centre for Head and Neck Diseases at MSH. The event this year was held on May 27, 2015 with over 650 people in attendance (and over $300K raised for thyroid cancer research at MSH).
Collaborations

Our department is very involved with multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary care. Drs. Freeman and Witterick participate in multi-disciplinary head and neck oncology clinics at Princess Margaret Cancer Centre. Drs. Taryn Davids and Manish Shah along with Speech Language Pathologist Mr. Tim Poon run multi-disciplinary voice clinics several times per month in our clinic space. There is ongoing work to increase research and data collection in the MSH Voice Disorders Clinic and continued teaching of medical students, residents and speech language pathology observers.

Drs. Yvonne Chan and Iona Leung (Dentistry) continue to run regular Mouth Clinics for the diagnosis and management of patients with difficult mouth disorders. Dr. Allan Vescan is collaborating with Dr. Gelareh Zadeh (Neurosurgery) and Dr. Rowena Rideout (Endocrinology) in multi-disciplinary skull base and pituitary clinics at MSH. Thyroid endocrine oncology clinics continue on a regular basis in collaboration with Drs. Walfish, Segall and Zahedi from Endocrinology and Drs. Freeman, Vescan, Witterick and de Almeida from otolaryngology-head & neck surgery. Collaborative research is ongoing with all of these individuals in endocrine oncology with regular Endocrine Oncology Rounds and research meetings. Regular participants and collaborators include Drs. David Goldstein and Anna Sawka from the University Health Network.

An active clinical and basic science research program is ongoing. Dr. Ranju Ralhan, PhD (Director of Research for our department) is making significant progress with biomarkers in oral oncology as well as thyroid fine needle aspiration biopsies in conjunction with Dr. Paul Walfish (see details in the MSH research report).

Our department at MSH is thriving clinically and academically! I am so grateful to our outstanding clinicians, researchers, nurses and administrative assistants who are the cornerstone of our clinical and research excellence. We are indebted to the terrific leadership at MSH for their continuing support of our department and its programs, especially Mr. Joseph Mapa (President and CEO), Mr. Kevin Goldthorp (CEO Foundation and Executive Vice President Advancement) and Dr. Maureen Shandling (Executive Vice President Academic & Medical Affairs).
Dr. Rick Fox (Otolaryngologist-in-Chief)

The Division of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery at St. Joseph’s Health Centre (SJHC) is staffed by six otolaryngologists with special interest and expertise in neuro-otology, rhinology, facial plastic and reconstructive surgery, pediatric otolaryngology, and endocrine surgery. Faculty members are Drs. Dustin Dalgorf, Rick Fox, Andres Gantous, Robert Josephson, Jack Kolenda and Ian Witterick. All members of the faculty hold appointments with the University of Toronto. Dr. Witterick continues to serve as Chairman, Department of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery, University of Toronto. Dr. Gantous has been successfully promoted to the rank of Associate Professor.

SJHC has maintained its tradition as a leader in the surgical and medical management of sinus and nasal disease. There are frequent visitors to the operating room to observe advanced sinus, rhinological, facial plastic and reconstructive techniques. Staff is involved with teaching University Sinus and Temporal Bone courses, as well as resident preparation for Royal College exams.

The new Otolaryngology ambulatory clinic has now been completed and is in use. The hospital has one of the busiest emergency departments in the province.
Dr. Jennifer Anderson (Otolaryngologist-in-Chief)

St. Michael’s Hospital is in the final phase of a $180M campaign in support of a new clinical care tower at the corner of Queen and Victoria Street. The new tower will house the operating rooms and critical care units. Construction has commenced and completion is expected by 2018.

Donor support for the Department of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery was modest this year with a $50,000 donation for teaching space and a conference room as well as two donations for state of the art equipment. A new KTP laser with narrow band imaging technology was purchased with the generous support of several donors to the voice clinic through the hospital foundation. The KTP is a fiber based laser that can be used with a flexible ‘chip tip’ endoscope. As such, acquiring the KTP has allowed certain laryngeal procedures to be performed in the clinic under local anaesthesia rather than in the operating room. A computer system was also purchased as part of the third videostroboscopy suite in the voice clinic.

In regards to our staff, Dr. Ronald Fenton has officially ‘semi-retired’ after more than 40 years on faculty at St. Michael’s Hospital. For the many years of excellence in clinical care that Dr. Fenton has provided to St. Michael’s patients, we would like to express our deepest appreciation. Many of us, myself included, have truly benefitted from his teaching and the department is grateful for his incredible contribution in medical education for both undergraduate and postgraduate trainees. Dr. Fenton is also renowned as an early adopter of technology and has a breadth of medical acumen unmatched in our department. We wish him well in his new state of ‘semi-retirement’.

The department would like to welcome William To, who is our new research assistant. William has been instrumental in setting up the new Nasal Physiology Laboratory with Dr. John Lee as the Medical Director. The lab has state of the art equipment including an acoustic rhinomanometer and olfactory testing is also available. A portable nitric oxide detector is also going to be available in the fall of 2015. This laboratory will function for both research and clinical testing purposes.

Dr. Molly Zirkle is to be congratulated on her successful reappointment as the Director of the Fitzgerald Academy which is a prestigious academic position in the University of Toronto medical school. Dr. Zirkle had an outstanding 5 year review, chaired by Dr. Jay Rosenfield, which was conducted in the spring of 2015.

Dr. Andres Gantous and Dr. Jennifer Anderson were both promoted to the rank of Associate Professor at the University of Toronto on the basis of education and creative professional activity, respectively. Thank you to the Chairman, Dr. Ian Witterick, for his support of these achievements.
1. Promotions and Awards: Congratulations to Dr Vincent Lin and Dr Alain Dabdoub, PhD who were successful in their promotion to the rank of Associate Professor in 2015. Dr. Jean Davidson was the recipient of the undergraduate teaching award (Boyd Academy) in recognition for her commitment to the PBL program.

2. Program Alignment. The Otolaryngology division is now part and parcel of the Brain Science Program. Our research laboratories, cochlear implant program and surgical activities have migrated over from the CANCER program. The Audiology/vestibular/hearing Aid accounts will follow shortly. Head & Neck Oncology remains under the CANCER Program. The two foci of the department are extremely well positioned and our surgical activities are congruent with the tertiary-quaternary mandate of the hospital.

3. Research expansion. The Department is reconfiguring its M1 space to accommodate a new research audiology lab; collaboration with industry and the National Center of Audiology (NCA) would follow. A large sound booth with localization and electrophysiological equipment will be created while an active search for a new PhD researcher will commence in the fall.
Dr. Blake Papsin  
(Otolaryngologist-in-Chief)  

*Life is pleasant. Death is peaceful. It’s the transition that’s troublesome.*  

~ Isaac Asimov

This has been a year of tremendous change at The Hospital for Sick Children and our Department of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery has shared this theme. The hospital’s new CEO Michael Apkon, has begun to develop his plans for the next decade and at the same time has begun restructuring his senior executive team with Dr. Chris Caldarone being named the new Chief of Perioperative Services and Dr. Michael Salter being named the new Director of the Research Institute. This coming year will see a new Chief of Paediatrics named to complete the new leadership team. Otolaryngology-HNS continues to be an effective service with tremendous clinical, academic and educational output. Our operating room utilization is an enviably high 89% and our service has consistently been awarded extra OR blocks because of our demonstrated efficacy, in an effort to decrease wait times. Clinically this has been a most productive year.

Educationally, our team put on an unprecedented week of courses in Paediatric Otolaryngology-HNS last October 2014 with Airway, Temporal Bone and Balance courses presented in conjunction with the 8th Objective Measures in Auditory Implants meeting. Our focus on resident education and Dr. Evan Propst’s strong local leadership has resulted in an improved resident experience as reflected in our improved teaching effectiveness scores. The institution of frequent oral exams has been particularly appreciated by the trainees.

Our departmental members have continued to speak internationally about the work we are doing here and many gave keynote addresses at significant international meetings. Dr. Adrian James in particular has transitioned into a highly sought after international speaker with his fine and sustained work on cholesteatoma and oto-endoscopy in children. In addition, he was appointed to the Institute of Medical Science in the School of Graduate Studies. Dr. Paolo Campisi’s strong work was deservedly recognized by his receiving promotion to Full Professor.

On a higher level, two of our departmental members have undertaken even greater transitional journeys in this past year. Dr. Sharon Cushing has become a Mother to Xavier and additionally produced innumerable manuscripts in between feedings and diaper changes. The department is overjoyed that they are both healthy and we have all been happy to pick up the slack until she returns. On the other end of the spectrum Dr. Vito Forte has decided to change focus and transition from the clinical department to take a leadership role integrating SickKids with the Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical...
Engineering. He leaves an almost impossibly unfillable clinical void as he has been one of the most loyal and hardworking clinicians our department has ever known. We all wish him the greatest of success in his future endeavours.
Dr. Al Chiodo (Otolaryngologist-in-Chief)

The last academic year for the Department of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery at Toronto East General Hospital has been a productive one. Dr. Chiodo completed his first year as our new Chief and Dr. Hubbard started as our new addition to the department.

From a clinical perspective, our department was quite active with over 425 in-patient surgical cases and 590 out-patient surgeries. Our out-patient clinic was able to see over 6,300 patients. With the creation of our new Thyroid Program, we were able to expand our multidisciplinary clinic with increased patient volumes and the addition of ultrasound guided biopsy capabilities in the clinic. Our thyroid surgery volumes increased from 140 to 220 thyroid carcinomas due to the hard work of Drs. Chiodo, Davidson, El Masri, Enepekides, Higgins and Hubbard. We were able to decrease hospital stays post total/completion thyroidectomy with introduction of recovery room PTH monitoring as a quality based initiative. From an otologic perspective, Dr. Hubbard was able to open our new state-of-the art vestibular lab. Our audiology lab was moved to our out-patient department next to the OTO-HNS clinic allowing for seamless care for out-patients with otologic issues. Our rhinology program enjoyed improved wait-times providing quality care with our new advanced guidance system. The facial plastic program headed by Dr. Oakley Smith was able to expand to nearly 2 operative days per week allowing residents to participate in a valuable surgical experience.

Education

Our department was actively involved at the undergraduate, postgraduate and continuing education levels. With Dr. Hubbard being one of the Assistant Directors of undergraduate education for our university department, he was able to administer and deliver the undergraduate pre-clerkship curriculum through the DOCH II course, ASCM courses and MMMD courses. Our department was involved in the clerkship course where 24 clerks rotated through our out-patient clinic and private offices. We were also able to provide rotations for elective students and transition to residency students in their final year. At the postgraduate level, our hospital rotation continues to have excellent resident rotation scores. We have been able to provide comprehensive surgical exposure to endocrine, rhinologic, pediatric, otologic and facial plastic cases. Our resident clinic has provided a well-rounded experience in community OTO-HNS. Dr. Chiodo was able to present on otolaryngology-head and neck surgery practice management at the annual resident retreat. In addition, our department has provided weekly clinical instruction to family practice residents at TEGH. Dr. Hubbard was recently honoured as a nominee for the prestigious Dr. John Fowler award, which is the highest educational award at TEGH. From a continuing education perspective, Drs. Hubbard and Chiodo were co-course directors with Dr. Yvonne Chan for the 13th Annual Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery Update held on February 7, 2015. Drs.
Hubbard and Chiodo were able to present family practice grand rounds where an interactive OtoSim™ session was conducted. Moreover, Dr. Hubbard presented on the approach to the vertiginous patient at the annual Drugs and Therapeutics Conference sponsored by the Department of Family Practice at TEGH. Dr. Chiodo presented at the Health Education and Assessment Training and Technology International Meeting in Orlando and at University Grand Rounds on use of otoscopy simulation in medical education.

**Research**

Research endeavours at TEGH have focused predominantly on medical education and community health. Two papers were published in The Laryngoscope on otoscopy simulation in undergraduate medical education by Dr. Chiodo. In addition, Dr. Chiodo published a paper on the development of educational resource materials for patient education in the Journal of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery. Dr. Smith published a paper on the effect of an organizational network on patient safety reporting in the journal Evaluation of Health Professionals. Research papers regarding use of simulation otoscopy in continuing education and the use of otoscopy simulation in undergraduate evaluation techniques have been submitted for publication. The effectiveness of a community-based OTO-HNS clerkship is an ongoing research project.
Dr. Jeffrey Mendelsohn

The Division of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery at Trillium Health Partners comprises 10 members (Drs. Aman Grewal, Lorne Segall, Sandra Vojdovich, Glen Beard, Jeff Mendelsohn, Adam Toth, Karim Nazarali, Yvonne Chan, Janet Chung and Joe Chen).

We were very fortunate to welcome to our division Drs. Aman Grewal and Janet Chung in July 2014.

In their second year, 56 medical students of the University of the Toronto Mississauga Academy of Medicine (MAM) all do the ASCM II teaching at Mississauga. In their third year, all 56 students of the University of the Toronto Mississauga Academy of Medicine (MAM) do their clerkship rotations at the teaching clinic at Credit Valley Hospital. The teaching load is shared equally between all members of the division. Our division has scored very well in the student evaluations.

After a two-year hiatus in June of 2015, residents in otolaryngology-head & neck surgery will once again be rotating every three months at all our sites. I’d like to thank Drs. Aman Grewal, Janet Chung, Yvonne Chan, Adam Toth, Jeff Mendelsohn and Karim Nazarali for agreeing to supervise the residents.

Our division is strong and well respected internally and externally.
The Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery at UHN had another great year of clinical and academic accomplishments and continues to provide international leadership in Head and Neck Oncology, Reconstructive Microsurgery and Otology/Neurotology.

This year saw the recruitment of Dr. Douglas Chepeha to our staff. Dr. Chepeha was recruited from a tenured professor position at the University of Michigan where he served as director of their reconstructive program. Doug has a remarkable publication record with innovative work in H&N reconstruction and translational research in H&N oncology. Doug will further develop our reconstructive program and will facilitate development of our H&N translational program.

Drs. de Almeida and Goldstein continue to lead our robotics program with a rapidly developing expertise in trans-oral robotic surgery. Dr. de Almeida also collaborates with Drs. Witterick and Vescan in our institutional endoscopic skull base program.

Our Otology/Neurotology program continues to develop under Dr. John Rutka’s leadership. The Hearing and Balance Centre along with our Munk Hearing Aid Centre continues to provide strong clinical and academic programs. Dr. Pothier continues to innovate in minimally invasive ear surgery and is a highly sought after speaker in MIS ear surgery.

The Head and Neck Group including Drs. Gullane, Irish, Gilbert, Brown, Goldstein, de Almeida and Chepeha continues to be extremely productive both academically and clinically. Dr. Irish will chair the next International Head and Neck Meeting in the summer of 2016, and has been elected Vice-President of the American Head and Neck Society. Dr. Gilbert is the President-Elect of the International Academy of Oral Oncology. The group has been extremely productive internationally with invited presentations and keynotes at the AHNS, Italian Otolaryngology Society, IFHNOS, IFOS, Royal Society of Medicine, IAOO, North American Skull Base Society and many others.

The department’s undergraduate, postgraduate and fellowship programs continue to provide excellent training. The department is an active participant in the university department’s divisional fellowship offering 4 clinical and 1 research fellowship position every year. These positions are highly sought after because of the strength of the clinical program at UHN.

The department continues to be indebted to our many donors as well as the Princess Margaret Foundation and the Toronto General/Toronto Western Foundation whose contributions allow us to continue the legacy of leadership in Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.

The department is also indebted to our support staff under the remarkable leadership and skill of our manager Jamie Chong. We all look forward to another productive and enjoyable year.
Department of Otolaryngology – HNS, University of Toronto
Research Teams

- Auditory Science Laboratory (HARRISON)
- Pediatric Airway Research (FORTE, Prosp)
- Hearing Research Laboratory (ABEL)
- Neurotology & Otology Research (LIN, Chen, Nedzelski)
- Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre
- Defence R & D Canada
- Inner-ear Biology Lab (DABDOUB, Lin)
- Head & Neck Research (HIGGINS, ENEPEKIDES)
- Voice and Upper Airway Research (ANDERSON, Lee)
- Liu Lab Head and Neck Oncology Research (LIU)

- Cochlear Implant Research Laboratory (GORDON, Paps in, James, Cushing)
- Pediatric Voice and Laryngeal Function (CAMPISI, Prosp)
- The Hospital for Sick Children
- Mount Sinai Hospital
- University Health Network/Princess Margaret Hospital
- St. Michael's Hospital
- Head & Neck Surgery Research (RALHAN, Wattle, Witerick, Freeman, Vescan, de Almeida)
- Neuro-otology and Vestibular Research (RUTKA, Pothier, Cushing)
- Guided Therapeutics (GTx) Research (IRISH, Daly)
- Rhinology/Skull Base Research (WITTERICK, Vescan, de Almeida)
- Head & Neck Surgical Research (GOLSTEIN, Gilbert, Galline, Brown, Irish, de Almeida)
The Cochlear Implant Research Lab
Karen Gordon, Blake Papsin

The Cochlear Implant Laboratory at the Hospital for Sick Children continues to investigate auditory development and plasticity. We ask: 1) What aspects of auditory development are arrested by hearing loss; 2) What changes in the auditory system occur during the period of deafness; and 3) To what extent can auditory plasticity and development be promoted by cochlear implant use? We are also interested in cochlear implant design which seeks to improve the resilience of the device as well as to preserve residual hearing. Our work is supported by research funding from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research along with the Cochlear Americas Chair in Auditory Development and generous donations. Specific hypotheses which stem from these questions are tested through a number of studies currently underway.

Our team includes Stephanie Jewell, our Research Project Co-ordinator, and we have welcomed Carmen McNight as our new research engineer. Two graduate students at the University of Toronto, successfully defended their research theses in our laboratory during this past year. Salima Jiwani earned a PhD through the Institute of Medical Science and Nikolaus Wolter earned an MSc through the Clinician-Surgeon Training Program and the Institute of Medical Science.

Salima Jiwani studied the long term effects of unilateral cochlear implant use on the maturing auditory cortex. In collaboration with Dr. Sam Doesburg, we used new tools to assess the cortical networks involved in listening through a cochlear implant. We had already shown that single sided deafness through unilateral cochlear implant use allows abnormal strengthening of the hearing ear (including work by Daniel Wong during his PhD). Salima’s work showed that this strengthening is further solidified once cortical maturation is reached with implications for pathways from the opposite ear. Salima has presented this work internationally and was awarded with 14 student prizes and competitive funding. Of note, in the present reporting year, this work was awarded external funding from the Hearing Foundation of Canada and Ms. Jiwani earned a studentship award for her abstract to the Objective Measures in Auditory Implants conference. Ms. Jiwani has authored 4 papers while in our laboratory, has another in revision, and is preparing a paper for submission. She has moved to a full-time position with Cochlear Canada.

Nikolaus Wolter investigated vestibular function and balance in children using cochlear implants and found deficits in these areas through posturography, motion capture, and behavioral measures. Importantly, children's time to fall decreased while wearing their cochlear implants regardless of the type of sound presented in the environment (dynamic versus static directionless noise versus quiet). Dr. Wolter has been recognized for his work with 6 student awards, including a top prize for outstanding poster at the Collaborative program in Neuroscience Research Day at the University of Toronto and the Judy Chauvin Otolaryngology Resident Award, Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, University of Toronto. He has authored 3 publications based on work done in our laboratory, has 1 in revision, and another 3 in preparation for submission. Dr. Wolter will begin his otolaryngology fellowship at Boston Children’s Hospital in July 2016.

Current graduate students are Melissa Polonenko and Joshua Gnanasegaram who are both in the Institute of Medical Science at the University of Toronto. Melissa Polonenko is a clinical audiologist pursuing her PhD. She is studying the use of bimodal hearing (acoustic hearing in one ear and electrical hearing through a cochlear implant in the other). She has received 7 studentship awards (5 this year). She received the Ontario Student Graduate Award in 2 consecutive years and was ranked first place in her category for the Restracomp Studentship Award...
from the Hospital for Sick Children. Melissa has also received 2 awards for outstanding abstracts submitted by a student to international conferences this year.

Joshua Gnanasegaram joined the laboratory in September 2014 in the MSc program at the Institute of Medical Science. He is working in collaboration with Dr. Sharon Cushing, and with present otolaryngology fellow, Dr. William Parkes to investigate whether the vestibular system can be evoked by electrical stimulation from a cochlear implant in children. Results have been encouraging, revealing evoked responses in a proportion of children with and without residual vestibular function. Both Dr. Parkes and Mr. Gnanasegaram have been able to present this work at international conferences. A manuscript outlining the results at this stage is being prepared for publication.

We have enjoyed the opportunity to work with 3 returning summer students: Brigit Allemang, Patricia Ungureanu, and Catherine McCann. Catherine McCann’s project explores the use of computational techniques to remove or suppress artifacts from electrophysiological recordings in cochlear implant users and has been funded by the Comprehensive Research Experience for Medical Students.

We continue to have important collaborations both locally, with Robert Harrison, Sharon Cushing, Adrian James, Sam Doesburg, Paolo Campisi, James Rutka, Sandra Trehub, Susan Blaser, and Frank Russo, nationally, with Isabelle Peretz, and internationally, with Robert Cowan and Richard van Hoesel.

The past year has been very productive: 9 publications were published or are in the press. Between this summer and last, we collectively presented over 20 abstracts at international meetings and gave more than two dozen invited talks internationally.

One of the highlights of the past year was our successful organization and co-chairing of the 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants, held October 14-17, 2014. The meeting was the largest to date held in North America and was very well received with 23 invited speakers, 81 open papers, and over 90 posters.

Paediatric Voice & Airway Research Lab
Paolo Campisi, Vito Forte, Evan Propst

Exciting research is active along many fronts. We acknowledge and are thankful for the contributions of many of our past and present residents and fellows and are grateful for the financial support of our hospital innovation grants initiative as well as to our Foundation donor base support.

A partial project list is as follows:

- Voice therapy for the management of vocal fold nodules in children. This is a multi-centre (Toronto, Boston, Philadelphia, Milwaukee) randomized control trial comparing two types of voice therapy. The study was funded by an NIH grant. Targets for recruitment have been achieved. Congratulations to Ms. L. Russell, M. Nella and K. Simpson.
- HPV genotype and the clinical course of children with recurrent respiratory papillomatosis. This study was piloted in Toronto but will now be extended to other sites in the JoRRP interest group.
- Canadian JoRRP surveillance study. Data collection from the JoRRP interest groups is now complete. The national prevalence and incidence of JoRRP, 5 years after the introduction of HPV vaccination strategies, has been decreasing.
- Identifying genes responsible for the development of the normal and syndromic larynx and trachea.
- Development of a 22q11 mouse model to better understand laryngeal cleft and web formation.
- Creating lifelike models of the neck and airway as a simulator for tracheotomy and advanced airway surgical teaching.
- Creation of a variable tracheal construct for replacement of long segment tracheal stenosis.
- Studying the microvasculature and neovasculaturization of cartilaginous grafts using corrosion casting models and computer assisted analysis following laryngotracheal reconstruction.
- Dynamic modulation of endotracheal tube cuff pressure in humans in the intensive care unit.
• Use of ultrasonography to differentiate between thyroglossal duct cysts and midline dermoid cysts. Following retrospective analysis and development of a prediction algorithm, this has been instituted into clinical practice and prospective collection of data is ongoing.

• Demographics of choanal atresia in Canada: a population based study. Data has been collected from every pediatric centre in the country and publication is pending.

• Creation of a pediatric version of the Sniff’n Sticks olfactory battery of tests. This is a two-part multinational study. Part 1 (completed) tested children to select odours familiar and discernible to them. Part 2 (in progress) involves testing children with the new shortened version.

• Objective measures of the olfactory system in children.

OtoSim™ Lab
Paolo Campisi, Vito Forte

OtoSim™ has enjoyed another successful year thanks to the ongoing efforts of a great team and the support of many faculty members. Accumulated sales of the simulators have now surpassed the $3.8 million mark.

Worldwide marketing and distribution strategies are being developed as the company continues to grow. The OtoSim™ has been adopted in more than 185 teaching institutions in over 20 countries.

Product development remains a key component of OtoSim Inc. Advanced OtoSim™ and OphthoSim™ self-learning software upgrades have been developed and marketed as well as ‘mass teaching’ and remote teaching capabilities for both the ear and eye simulation.

A partial list of projects is listed below:

• Objective evaluation of otoscopy skills amongst primary care trainees. This study examines the abilities of primary care learners in family medicine and paediatrics to evaluate tympanic membranes using the OtoSim™ simulator before and after training with the unit. There is a long term follow up session assessing retention of otoscopy skills. The manuscript is being reviewed by the Journal of Surgical Education. [D. Oyewumi et al, Objective evaluation of otoscopy skills amongst family medicine, paediatric and otolaryngology residents]

• The use of an otoscopy simulator in an observed structured clinical examination (OSCE) was recently reviewed with Dr. David Wong, Undergraduate Education Lead for the Integrated OSCE, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto. J. Xu et al, Use of otoscopy simulation in medical student clinical evaluation. Submitted: Journal of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.


Other Highlights:

• OphthoSim™ - A study exploring the utility of ophthalmoscopy simulation in the national ophthalmology bootcamp was undertaken in Toronto in June 2015. The data is currently being evaluated.

• Since 1982, The Ernest C. Manning Awards Foundation has been creating a culture of innovation in Canada by discovering, celebrating and rewarding Canadian innovators of all ages. In 2015, Dr. Vito Forte was nominated and selected as a finalist for the prestigious Ernest C. Manning Award.

• OtoSim™ was used by Drs. R. Nuss and J. Strychowsky (Boston Children’s Hospital,
of the PhD thesis work done by Mattia Carraro, and our project is in collaboration with Albert Park at the University of Utah. Mattia was recognized for his work by winning our PhD Raymond Ng Award.

Mattia has also introduced some novel imaging techniques, including light sheet microscopy, and has refined the method to allow whole cochlear specimens (mouse) to be viewed in detail without bone removal. In the examples shown below individual spiral ganglion cells, cochlear vasculature can easily be recognized.

A recent major achievement for one of our graduate students, Lisa D’Alessandro, was the completion and final defense of her PhD thesis on the developmental plasticity of the auditory midbrain; congratulations to Lisa. This past year has also been productive for our project manager Jaina Negandhi. She has been working on projects ranging from recording ABRs in animal models, studying midbrain activity patterns with c-fos labeling, and investigating audiometric data in children with auditory neuropathy.

Auditory Science Lab
Robert V. Harrison

The Auditory Science Laboratory at SickKids has been part of our university department for over 30 years. We employ a wide range of research techniques to explore the structure and function of the normal and pathological inner ear and the development of the auditory brain. Our methods include brain imaging and electrophysiological techniques, including the recording of single neurons from different areas of the auditory brain. We also carry out evoked potential and oto-acoustic emission research in human subjects and in animal models. In our anatomical studies, we make histological evaluations of the inner ear with light and electron microscopy and we also probe neural activity patterns in the auditory brain with immuno-labeling techniques. In recent years we have mastered corrosion cast studies of vascular structures in the inner ear and also of the trachea and larynx.

A new research initiative this past year has been an investigation of the damage to cochlear capillary networks (e.g. stria vascularis) resulting from cytomegalovirus (CMV) infection. This work is part
This past year, through the funding with a CIHR team grant, we have had useful collaborations with other research teams including that of Lu-Yang Wang at SickKids and Vincent Lin at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre. In addition to basic laboratory research we have active collaboration with the SickKids cochlear implant team including Blake Papsin, Karen Gordon and Adrian James. The research funding climate in Canada has become rather unsettled to say the least. Federal funding from CIHR is very competitive. We are pleased to report that we have a new five-year research project funded by CIHR to study inhibitory and excitatory neural interactions during auditory brain development.

In this last year, our research has resulted in publication of eight peer-reviewed papers, as well as contributions to the latest edition (6th) of Cummings Otolaryngology: Head and Neck Surgery. Robert Harrison has also co-authored a book entitled: “Understanding the Evidence: Wind Turbine Noise. The expert panel on wind turbine noise and human health”.

As a result of hard work by our trainees and staff, the Auditory Science Laboratory has had a very productive year. Thank you all for your contributions.
Guided Therapeutics (GTx) Research
Jonathan Irish, David Goldstein, Michael Daly

Established in 2006, the Guided Therapeutics Program (GTx) at the University Health Network is a collaboration of surgeons, medical imaging specialists, radiation oncologists, interventional radiologists, physicists, nanotechnology engineers and biomedical engineers all focused on the research, development and clinical implementation of innovative technologies to enable novel head and neck cancer diagnostics and therapeutics. The current scope of the program includes research and development in pre-clinical and translational/clinical settings.

The physical resources available include the GTx-Lab in MaRS with 2 fully equipped operating rooms and the GTx-OR at the Toronto General Hospital/UHN.

**GTx Lab**
- Dedicated space and equipment for development, testing, pre-clinical evaluation of image guided technologies (computing, imaging, contrast agents, molecular imaging).
- Pre-GTx OR site for pre-clinical evaluation

**GTx OR**
- The largest research operating room in Canada
- First facility in the world that has a dual energy Siemens Definition FLASH CT scanner and a state-of-the-art robotic C-arm, the Siemens Artis Zeego, within the same OR
- Equipped with image-based surgical navigation technologies (x-ray and optical navigation; visualization)
The objectives of the GTx Program are to:

- Develop innovative imaging technologies for guiding therapies (e.g., 3D imaging, molecular imaging, computer-assisted surgery);
- Establish revolutionary treatments that combine the strengths of established therapies;
- Increasingly integrate robotic surgical and interventional radiology therapies into the treatment of cancers; and
- Evaluate the effectiveness of new imaging and ablative technologies when they are applied to both traditional and new treatments.

The GTx Program has had the following notable achievements in innovations within the past year:

- Navigational tools developed through augmented and virtual reality technologies that can allow an “Avatar” overlay on to the real image that is being visualized by the surgical team.
- An “early warning system” alert to surgeons when they approach critical structures such as nerves and arteries.
- A novel “surgical dashboard” that has been positioned on digital imaging screens in the recently developed GTx-OR.
- Use of augmented reality technology to develop aids in contouring tumours for radiation therapy and for the display of radiation dose on an endoscopic image during surgery.
- Tests of UHN-developed novel contrast agents that identify tumours using both CT and fluorescence imaging.
- Improvements in the accuracy of complex mandibular and maxillary reconstruction through pre-operative 3D printing and modelling with intra-operative imaging confirmation.
- Conclusion of a study that examined the impact on procedure time and workflow: our group demonstrated the clinical feasibility of intraoperative cone-beam CT for head and neck surgery using our prototype mobile C-arm.
- Pre-clinical development of liposome and porphysome-based contrast agents with multifunctionality capability including photoacoustic and photodynamic ablation.

The GTx Program is well positioned for further development of current studies. For example, the GTx Program in Sarcoma has actively been developing real-time image guidance for complex osteotomies for the treatment of musculoskeletal malignancies. This research has demonstrated significant improvements in accuracy with and will be translated from the GTx-Lab to “first in human” clinical trials in the GTx-OR this year.

The GTx Program At-A-Glance:

- 7 cancer related clinical trials (50 patients)
- 7 multi-disciplinary related clinical trials (26 patients)
- >50 cases in the GTx OR
- 24 refereed papers
- 48 published abstracts and presentations
- 3 licensable technologies
- 15 GTx Rounds and 10 GTx OR open houses and tours
- 3 site-group specific GTx Fellowships
- Undergraduate medicine and engineering summer students
Head & Neck Translational Program

Fei-Fei Liu

The Head and Neck Cancer (HNC) Translational Research Program at the Princess Margaret strives for a future where HNC can be cured without toxicity. This program has three main goals:

1) To understand HNC biology at the molecular, cellular, and tumor levels;

2) To elucidate the molecular and genetic bases of treatment toxicities in response to radiation, with or without chemotherapy; and,

3) To train young scientists and physicians in the scientific pursuits of understanding HNC. Our research team comprises of over 80 clinicians, scientists and research personnel, collectively working on several projects, including: tumor initiating cells, genetic determinants of outcome, biomarkers & novel drug discovery, proteomic studies, treatment of human papilloma virus associated oropharynx cancer, and prognostic value of imaging-omic data.

The program had another banner year of innovation. We published over 15 peer-reviewed articles in leading scientific journals, and members of our team presented their findings at multiple venues, both locally and internationally, including USA, Japan, China, Turkey, Greece, and Germany. We also recruited new scientists and clinicians to the program, who are helping us expedite discoveries for personalized head and neck cancer therapy. Dr. Scott Bratman (MD PhD), a Radiation Oncologist with clinical practice in head and neck cancer, is leading a new research program focused on evaluation and characterization of circulating tumor DNA for identifying head and neck cancer patients at high risk of recurrence, in order to refine and individualize treatment for our patients. Drs. Benjamin Haibe-Kains and Trevor Pugh, both bio-informaticians, are also assisting our program in the analysis of these large genomic patient datasets.

One of the highlights of our program was the identification of 4 microRNAs whose abundance within primary nasopharyngeal carcinoma (NPC) tissues can predict an individual patient’s risk of developing distant metastasis after initial treatment. In a search for useful biomarkers for NPC, we measured the levels of hundreds of microRNAs in ~250 NPC patient samples. Using these data along with matched clinical follow-up data, we identified and validated a set of microRNAs whose abundance at the time of diagnosis was associated with the likelihood that a patient would develop distant metastases. Once this observation has been further confirmed clinically, this information could be used by oncologists to personalize the treatment of future NPC patients based on their risk (or lack-thereof) of developing distant metastases; a major cause of death in patients with NPC.

Neurotology and Vestibular Research

David Pothier, Philip Gerretsen and John Rutka

Surgeon scientist, Dr. David Pothier continues to direct divisional research in otology/neurotology at the University Health Network in conjunction with staff at the Hertz Multidisciplinary Neurotology Clinic and the UHN Center for Advanced Hearing and Balance Testing.

We have continued with i) Investigation into the velocity and acceleration-specific measurement of the vestibular system; ii) Clinical research into the role for psychiatry and effects of catastrophization in chronic balance disorders in conjunction with the Department of Psychiatry; iii) Neural plasticity and biofeedback; iv) Worldwide collaboration in the measurement of sway from multilevel sensors. Collaborating institutions include Johns-Hopkins, University of Verona, Vanderbilt University, Harvard and UBC; v) Assessment and prevention of ototoxicity.

New research projects involving our Centre for Advanced Hearing and Balance Testing have included; i) Studies to compare the Vestibular Head Impulse Test (vHIT) to caloric and the head thrust testing for angular acceleration function; ii) Advanced tympanometry in the diagnosis of Meniere’s disease; iii) the conceptual application of biofeedback to improve balance in those patients with dysequilibrium who wear hearing aids.
In partnership with The Toronto Rehabilitation Institute (TRI) we have entered into a collaboration to assess vestibular function in patients registered with the Falls Prevention Program. It is hoped that our input will add incrementally to the design of safety programs that will minimize injury to those elderly individuals prone to falls. The program will be led by Ms. Shaleen Sulway (PT) and Ms. Wanda Dillon (RN) who are part of the Hertz Multidisciplinary Neurotology Program.

Dr. Pothier continues to evaluate the role of endoscopic ear surgery (EES) in the field of minimally invasive ear surgery. The University of Toronto has continued to be a world leader in this field actively promoting this innovative surgery at international conferences, workshops and societal meetings. The culmination of years of work recently led to the publication of the first major and seminal text in EES with other members of the International Working Group on Endoscopic Ear Surgery (IWGEES). Clinical research projects include the retrospective analysis of results of EES in ear disease and the role of tenotomy surgery for intractable Meniere’s Disease as an option to intratympanic aminoglycoside therapy.

We continue to promote a number of visiting professorships and are involved in expert panels and invited lectures. Members of our division continue to be involved in the process of setting up national and international courses in advanced vestibular assessment, advanced vestibular rehabilitation and the management of complex neurotological cases. We remain involved in developing innovative educational systems in both vestibular and oculomotor physiology.

We continue to draw clinical fellows and observers from all corners of the world who wish to advance their knowledge of vestibular disorders and to participate in ground breaking clinical based research. The addition of an international visiting scholar will further enhance our international reputation.

Head & Neck Surgical Research
David Goldstein, Ralph Gilbert, Patrick Gullane, Dale Brown, Jonathan Irish and John de Almeida

Research at the University Health Network takes place across the four sites, with the majority of research occurring between the Toronto General Hospital and Princess Margaret Cancer Centre. The two major research programs are the head and neck oncology program and the otology/neurotology program. The surgeon investigators for the head and neck oncology program have affiliations with both the Ontario Cancer Institute and the Toronto General Research Institute. The research program is a multidisciplinary program with local, national and international collaborations. This academic year has seen the introduction of weekly future directions meeting with representation from surgical oncology, medical oncology and radiation oncology. The goal of these meetings is to develop trials for novel treatment approaches to head and neck cancer.

The research program has 4 major themes:

1. Guided therapeutics program whose work is covered in a separate report;

2. Clinical outcomes research in head and neck oncology and reconstructive surgery. Outcomes research includes clinical trials, and prospective and retrospective observational studies in mucosal, salivary gland, endocrine and skull base neoplasms. In addition, there is a major focus on evaluation of outcomes with microsurgical reconstruction and functional outcomes including quality of life assessment;

3. Basic science and translational research program is a multidisciplinary program that involves radiation and medical oncology, pathology, and basic science labs. Research includes proteomics, genomics, stem cell research, and molecular epidemiology. A large focus of the program is on the identification and assessment of biomarkers in the treatment of head and neck cancer;
4. Health services research with a focus on patterns of practice and volume outcome studies in head and neck oncology.

Resident and fellow research is a major component of the research program. There have been a number of residents and fellows who have been mentored and supported by members of the head and neck surgery research program. In the 2014 to 2015 academic year there have been 60 peer reviewed publications published or accepted/in press and $218,145 in new grant funding received.

The head and neck research program has had the following notable research within the past year:

- Assessment of a novel reconstructive surgical approach for patients with subglottic stenosis and patients requiring cricoid and tracheal resections for cancer using a vascularized composite allograft
- Evaluation of chromatin remodeling genes and outcomes in head and neck cancer
- Biomarkers predictive of matted nodes and outcome in patients with oropharynx cancer
- Biomarkers predictive of outcomes in oral cavity cancer
- Cost-effectiveness evaluation of nerve monitoring during thyroidectomy
- Cost-effectiveness in melanoma prevention through the banning of tanning bed use in minors
- A prospective evaluation of functional outcomes of elderly patients undergoing head and neck surgery
- Assessment of variations in adherence to guideline recommended processes of care in head and neck cancer patients in Ontario
- Prospective evaluation of quality of life following open and endoscopic skull base surgery
- Assessment of the impact of diabetes and metformin on head and neck cancer related outcomes
- Development of radiolucent mouth retractor and creation of an image guidance system for transoral robotic surgery

In addition to the above mentioned work in the past year the Head and neck site group at the Princess Margaret Cancer Center, has had great research output. The following are selected highlights:

- Proposal for significant modification of the traditional TNM stage classification and prognostic grouping for oropharyngeal cancer (OPC), if it is caused by HPV (J Clin Oncol 33:836–845, 2015). It offers a more personalized approach to predict outcomes and guide treatment. This work has been immediately noticed by oncology community.

- Differential impact of Cisplatin dose intensity on HPV-related and HPV-unrelated locally advanced head and neck cancer. We found that cisplatin dose intensity ≤ 200 mg/m² had a detrimental impact on overall survival in HPV−LAHNSCC pts. The impact of CDDP dose intensity on HPV+ pts was not significant.

- Analysis of the pattern of failure and natural course following failure after definitive (chemo-) radiotherapy in HPV-related [HPV(+)] and HPV-unrelated [HPV(−)] oropharyngeal cancer (OPC). We found that there is a differing natural course following disease failure in HPV(+) and HPV(−) OPC. A longer survival in HPV(+) pts is observed in almost all subsets compared to their HPV(−) counterparts. In HPV(+) pts, delayed distant failures are a feature with 22% distant metastasis presenting after 2 years of follow up.

- Assessment of survival in HPV-related head and neck cancer patients following positive post-radiation planned neck dissection (Head Neck 37:946–52, 2015). We found that HPV related HNC patients with residual neck disease represent a less favorable biologic subset of the HPV related HNC population and have poor survival. However, they generally still live longer than their HPV unrelated counterparts.
• Evaluation of outcomes of surgical salvage for recurrent oropharyngeal cancer. We found that surgical salvage for oropharyngeal SCC after failure of radiotherapy (+/- chemotherapy) is feasible. Patients who may benefit from surgery include those without regional recurrence and/or those in whom negative margins can be obtained. The p16 status did not seem to have prognostic impact in the salvage setting (Head Neck. In-press, 2015).

• Our site group has been involved in international collaboration of clinical trials. There are 2 trials recently open in our centre: NRG-HN002 and EORTC 1219 trial. The NRG-HN002 is targeting low-risk p16-positive, non-smoking associated HPV-related oropharyngeal cancer which seeks to define new, less-intensive treatment options for this patient population. EORTC1219 will test whether the hypoxic radiosensitizer nomorazole in combination with radiation could improve outcome of HPV/p16 negative head and neck squamous cell carcinoma. Our group is also in the process to be involved in the ORATOR trial testing the role of trans-oral robotic surgery (TORS) in management of T1-T2 oropharyngeal cancer. Currently we are designing a trial on identifying primary origin using TORS and exploring reduction of radiotherapy volume for unknown primary cancers of the head and neck.
Rhinology/Skull Base Research
Ian Witterick, Allan Vescan, John de Almeida

There are ongoing clinical research projects in rhinology and the skull base program. These include:

- Development of quality indicators for chronic rhinosinusitis
- Virtual reality simulators (Neurotouch) with validation trials
- Virtual reality sinus simulators to establish learning curves
- Clinical research in skull base surgery including juvenile nasopharyngeal angiofibroma experience and validation of the skull base inventory quality-of-life instrument
- Ongoing prospective clinical trial comparing patients on medical therapy versus surgical therapy for chronic rhinosinusitis
- A ten year outcomes study of non-squamous cell sinonasal malignancies

Education research continues with the OtoSim™ in undergraduate medical education as well as the development of quality and safety measures for our specialty.

Head & Neck Oncology Research
Ranju Ralhan, Ian Witterick, Paul Walfish, Jeremy Freeman, Allan Vescan and John de Almeida

Our head and neck oncology group has focused on preclinical research for translation of proteomic biomarkers for improved diagnosis and prognosis of disease. Our major thrusts are to gain insight into the molecular basis of development of oral pre-cancer and its progression to frank cancer as well as identifying new drugs for personalized patient care. The major themes are:

1. Preclinical validation of protein biomarkers for predicting oral pre-malignant lesions at high risk of cancer development and prognostic molecular signatures for stratifying oral cancer patients at risk of disease recurrence.

2. Two novel anticancer agents identified in high-throughput chemical libraries screens were tested for \textit{in vitro} and \textit{in vivo} pre-clinical efficacy using indigenously established experimental models of oral cancer for potential use for molecular therapeutics.

3. Validation of novel potential therapeutic molecular targets for head and neck cancer identified by proteomics.

4. Understanding the molecular mechanisms involved in malignant transformation of oral epithelial dysplasia.

Our laboratory successfully verified the potential of a panel of five protein biomarkers for predicting the risk of oral cancer development in patients with oral dysplasia. Identification of the disease in early stages will reduce cost and co-morbidity related to cancer treatment. The protein expression based risk model developed for prediction of recurrence risk in oral cancer patients was validated in an independent external cohort. External validation of the prognostic signature also confirmed our biomarkers panel for identifying aggressive cancer cases at high risk of recurrence as a step forward towards personalized medicine. The indigenous experimental models provide a unique opportunity for unraveling the molecular mechanisms underlying malignant transformation of oral dysplasia. Two novel small molecule inhibitors identified in chemical screens were validated for \textit{in vitro} and \textit{in vivo} pre-clinical efficacy and the mechanism of action of these drugs is under investigation.
Endocrine Oncology Research
Ongoing basic science studies (Ranju Ralhan, Paul Walfish, Jeremy Freeman, Ian Witterick, Allan Vescan)

We are developing quality indicators for well-differentiated thyroid cancer and medullary cancer. We are also evaluating our experience with thyroglobulin levels obtained from lymph node fine needle aspiration biopsies and looking at the utility of serial ultrasound imaging of thyroid nodules followed over an extended period of time.

We are developing clinically integrated diagnostics for thyroid cancer with two major themes:

1. Use of protein biomarkers for predicting aggressive thyroid cancers and molecular signature for distinguishing benign from malignant thyroid nodules in ultrasound guided fine needle aspiration biopsies to improve surgical selection.

2. Reference clinical database set up for cataloging the clinical course in different subtypes of thyroid cancer and correlating pre-operative FNA cytology with final surgical pathology.

Accurate identification of benign from malignant thyroid tumours prior to surgery poses a major challenge. Our research focused on identification of a biomarker signature based on alterations in expression analyses of a panel of proteins identified by secretome proteomics that will have the potential to more accurately distinguish between thyroid benign nodules and cancers in needle biopsies prior to surgery than the currently used cytology. A panel of protein biomarkers identified using proteomics and immunohistochemistry in our laboratory can accurately distinguish between thyroid benign nodules and cancers. We are evaluating the potential of these protein biomarkers in thyroid fine needle aspiration biopsies (FNAB) to strengthen the cytopathologic evaluation for diagnosing cancer with minimal invasive procedures. The ultimate goal is accurate stratification of benign thyroid nodules that will spare these patients from surgery.

In our laboratory, we are also developing novel methods of serum thyroglobulin quantification in thyroid cancer patients with elevated thyroglobulin auto-antibodies using mass spectrometry.

We have established one of the largest clinical databases that have been developed for cataloging the clinical course in different subtypes of thyroid cancer. This database will also be useful for comparing the current pre-operative ultrasound and FNAB cytology based diagnosis with the final surgical pathology. It will therefore serve as a unique invaluable resource for comparative evaluation of new molecular diagnostic techniques with the current cytology based diagnostics to improve future surgical selection of patients for hemi-thyroidectomy vs total thyroidectomy and distinguishing benign from malignant thyroid nodules by pre-operative FNAB techniques.
Research activity at St. Michael’s Hospital continues to focus on the upper airway in Laryngology and Rhinology emphasized under the leadership of Dr. Jennifer Anderson and Dr. John Lee.

Of particular note, we wish to welcome William To, our new research assistant who has been very involved in our endeavours and instrumental in setting up the new nasal physiology laboratory.

A related study was completed on ‘Evaluation of a predictive model for silastic implant design’ which was presented at the Voice Symposium in Philadelphia in June 2015 and the work is in the manuscript preparation phase.

Dr. Shinghal also presented a poster on ‘Safety of Outpatient Thyroidectomy’ at the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery meeting in Winnipeg in June 2015.

Voice and Upper Airway Laboratory
Jennifer Anderson

A new project to develop a microlaryngeal surgical simulator was initiated by Dr. Theresa Holler and Dr. Jennifer Anderson. A pilot project was conducted during the laboratory session of the Fifth Toronto Voice Course which was successfully held this year in February. Two grants have been awarded for the project including $12,000 from St. Michael’s Hospital Alternate Funding Plan Innovation Grants, and a second submitted by one of our residents, Dr. Kayvan Nateghifard for $5000 from the Harry Barberian awards. The simulator is to be further tested during laryngology core sessions this fall.

In the voice laboratory, we are in the middle of data collection for a combined project with the Faculty of Music on the effects of external vibration on singers and muscle tension dysphonia. This project is led by Dr. Jennifer Anderson along with Mary Enid Haines from the Faculty of Music and both speech pathologists from St. Michael’s Hospital; Marta DeLuca and Gwen Merrick are involved.

Dr. Tulika Shinghal, a University of Toronto graduate and the Laryngology fellow this year, participated in several projects. Dr. Shinghal presented the results of a medical imaging study on the ‘Effects of Medialization Thyroplasty on Airway Anatomy: Cadaver Model’ at COSM in Boston 2015 and the resulting manuscript has been accepted for publication in the Journal of Voice.
Rhinology Research

John Lee

The past year has been an exciting year of rhinologic research at SMH. At the American Rhinologic Society Meeting at COSM, we presented the first study to demonstrate a correlation between nNO levels and the health of sinus mucosa in patients with nasal polyposis. With a recent publication in the International Forum of Allergy and Rhinology, we hope to build on this exciting data with a translational research project with one of our basic science colleagues at SMH. This study will be spearheaded by our resident, Dr. Jonathan Yip and supported by a Harry Barberian Grant.

At the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery annual meeting, Dr. Gordon Tsang was chosen to present at the Poliquin Resident’s competition on his study investigating the psychological morbidity of waiting for sinus surgery. Using a mixed methods approach, we hope that the results of this paper will provide further insight into how our patients experience this illness and its subsequent treatment.

A number of multi-institutional studies have been ongoing this past year with a range of topics including inverted papillomas, CSF leaks, and the management of epistaxis in HHT patients. There are always a number of opportunities for residents to participate if they are interested.

Finally, we are excited to announce that the nasal physiology laboratory is up and running at SMH. We are currently piloting patients with various rhinologic conditions through measurements of nasal airflow, resistance, and olfaction. We hope to add a portable nNO detector to this lab in the near future. A special thanks to William To, our new research coordinator, who has been instrumental in getting this lab off the ground.
Auditory Development, Protection & Regeneration

Alain Dabdoub

Hearing loss is mainly caused by damage to inner ear auditory hair cells – cells that detect sound, or auditory neurons – cells that connect the hair cells to the brain. Humans do not regenerate these cells, thus leading to permanent hearing loss. The goal of our group is to understand how these cells are generated during development to guide their strategies for regeneration to ameliorate hearing impairment. Hearing loss due to aging, noise, or ototoxic drugs is the fastest growing and one of the most prevalent chronic conditions facing millions of Canadians today. Our efforts are focused on discovery-driven and translational research to develop methodologies that could be used for the treatment of hearing loss.

Some of our accomplishments this year:

PUBLICATIONS:


Ectopic hair cells (marked with anti Myosin7a in red) induced by chicken Atoh1 (marked by a nuclear GFP reporter in green) displaying stereocilia (marked in white with phalloidin).

*Link to instructional video: click [here](#)*


**Books and Chapters**


The objective of this book is to provide a conceptual review on auditory neurons, elucidate and characterize their development, their environment, their electrophysiological characteristics, their connectivity to their targets in the inner ear and the brain, and discuss the potential for their regeneration.


**Podium Presentations**

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**Cochlear Implant Research**

Vincent Lin, Julian Nedzelski, Joseph Chen

We have just published a paper in Hearing Research looking at the effects of corticosteroid responses in guinea pigs implanted with CI electrodes. Our data suggest that long pre-treatments with corticosteroids appear to have a protective effect in the spiral ganglion counts in the basal turn of our animals. Furthermore, fibrosis around the electrode as determined on H&E staining is less with the long pre-treatment arm and this may translate to lower impedences similar to our human findings. We are now well into the second phase of this study, examining the effectiveness of drug eluding electrodes in guinea pigs.

Another line of research we have begun recently involves attempting to elicit a dependable c-VEMP response in our guinea pigs in preparation for further studies looking at vestibular protection during cochlear implantation.

**Neurotology & Otology Research**

Joseph Chen, Julian Nedzelski, Vincent Lin

Ageing

We continue to have multiple projects looking at the ageing auditory system. Our largest project is the MoCA study, a collaboration between our department and neurology. Our aim is to validate a...
hearing impaired version of the MoCA (Montreal Cognitive Assessment) through 2 control arms (normal cognition +/- hearing loss) and 1 arm with confirmed mild cognitive impairment. Early results are showing significant correlations between our hearing impaired version and the original version, for both control groups. This project is ongoing; we have multiple international collaborations ongoing.

A second line of research that is in its early stages examines the effects that cochlear implantation has on the partners and spouses of cochlear implant recipients. We have a paper that has been provisionally accepted for publication in CI International, with our data indicating that partners of CI recipients experience significant improvements in quality of life post-CI implantation. We are currently expanding the testing groups to other family members, friends, and caregivers.

**Vestibular**

This line of research involves the characterization of novel clinical vestibular testing tools in patients undergoing cochlear implantation to determine how this system changes with intervention. Subjective visual vertical, vHIT, and newer vestibular tests are being done longitudinally on our patients. We are finding some novel changes and ultimately these tests will become standard of care in our pre-implant patient test battery.

**CI Programming Methodology**

This relatively new line of research evaluates the speech perception outcomes of a program created using a remote controlled programming methodology versus a program created using the standard of care software. The outcomes of this research should lend us greater insight into ways to improve the speed and efficacy of the creation of programs for our patients.

**Unilateral CI with CROS microphone study – Phase 3**

Our collaboration with industry continues in this line of research, with an updated wireless prototype, examining the utility of a combined contralateral microphone with a unilateral implant for improving speech perception in the presence of background noise.

**Music**

MusicEAR rehabilitation studies continue as our pilot data, presented at the CI International conference in Munich in June of 2014, demonstrated significant improvements in music and speech perception, as well as music appreciation, following 1 month of active rehabilitation. We continue to accrue patients for this project as we are in the early stages of a randomized controlled follow-up study, and are in collaboration with the faculty of music and auditory verbal therapists to develop a new paradigm of post-intervention therapy.

**Structural Preservation**

We have completed our clinical trial investigating different pre-operative and intraoperative dosing of corticosteroids to determine their effect on hearing preservation. Our 12 months of serial measurements are indicating that pre-operative treatment does reveal lower electrode impedences and eCAP slope differences which may be suggestive of improved structural preservation. We are also seeing improved hearing preservation rates and pure tone averages over time in our preliminary analyses. This data will be finalized and presented at the CI International conference in Toronto in 2016.

**Outcomes Research**

Acoustic Neuroma research continues in our department, with our current line of collaboration with Neurology and Radiology retrospectively examining whether irradiation effectively inhibits tumor growth over a minimum post-treatment interval of 5 years.

We are also collaborating with the department of Neuroradiology to examine the utility of MRI tractography to help predict intraoperative facial nerve location.
Electrophysiological Research

Electrocochleographic measurements are continuing to show promise as predictors of outcome. Our current work uses a post-operative acoustically evoked cochlear microphonics measurement taken through the most apical cochlear implant electrode. Preliminary results are indicating significant correlations between magnitude of cochlear microphonic responses and speech perception.

Head & Neck Research

Danny Enepekides, Kevin Higgins

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Authors: Lukasz Czerwonka MD, Kevin Higgins MD, Danny Enepekides MD.
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Analysis of HAAH Expression as a Proteomic Marker of Thyroid Malignancy.
Authors: Danny Enepekides MD.
Current status: The study is currently underway and data analysis will begin shortly.
Humanitarian Outreach
Canada International Scientific Exchange Program (CISEPO)

Arnold Noyek, OC, MD, FRCSC, FACS

July 2014 - June 2015 has been a transformative year in the 35 years of sustainable international outreach and capacity building of the Canada International Scientific Exchange Program (www.CISEPO.ca), a Canadian registered charitable nongovernmental volunteer organization and its variety of international programs linked as ‘Olympic rings’. Much of our reputation on the world scene has been garnered from our work in bringing together Canadians, Israelis, Jordanians and Palestinians, under a Canadian umbrella in an academic setting through a variety of education, research, training, telehealth activities and projects on the ground. Our work has built infrastructure and networks of peaceful professional cooperation successfully across borders and specifically across the Arab and Israeli frontier as previously reported. What has been established is unique as a programmatic model on the world scene and is proof of concept that building networks of peaceful professional cooperation can be used to bring institutions and individuals and communities together in the health sector for common good while building tolerance, mutual respect and durable personal relationships where such could not have existed before. The leading example of CISEPO’s efforts has been in universal newborn hearing screening, rehabilitation and family support as demonstrated in these pages previously; a Canadian public health movement has now been firmly established with between 20 and 25 million babies having been screened and fixed as required globally beyond our Canadian and Middle East dimensions as noted previously.

This past year has seen us take our place on the global world stage with academic and service programming reaching 40 countries with distance education under CISEPO and the University of Toronto implementing telehealth productions for knowledge transfer, thus becoming our most formidable tool from our Canadian base and a world exemplar. This is the springboard for future programming with CISEPO becoming the on the ground mechanism for delivering capacity building and the addressing of public health issues on a country by country needs basis in this bi-level approach. Our approach continues to draw attention at international conferences and from governments for its unique success and its essential growth capacity. All of this of course is based at the University of Toronto, the Dalla Lana School of Public Health, York University and other institutions across our country who provide leading healthcare experts, projects and systems development with an emphasis on continuing professional development.

Though it is beyond the intention of this report to detail all these capacity building activities our infrastructure in telehealth have grown substantially under the leadership of our world telehealth pioneer and CISEPO vice chair Tim Patterson to over 1000 television quality production hours per year with global scope. Our on the ground training, education and community service projects, have new domestic and global footholds ranging from Tunisia, to Kenya, to Russia, to South Africa and far beyond under the creative leadership of our full-time CISEPO director, Dr. Shawna Novak. Professor Harvey Skinner, CISEPO Chair and Dean of Health at York University has built our connections with India and more. Dr. Abi Sriharan, with her Oxford DPhil, has brought new dimensions to our global education approaches. Our multidisciplinary approach is evident throughout all our activities in the health sciences. For example international recognition has come to our work in brain health with project activity in neurosurgery for childhood epilepsy with the division of neurosurgery at the University of Toronto and our work on dementia with the Baycrest Centre. Fellowship training programs, for example with Sunnybrook Health Sciences Center move forward in cochlear implants and in high risk pregnancies. Senior medical student electives in international pediatric emergency medicine continue
into their 15th year with University of Toronto accreditation spanning all the medical schools across our country. The Dr. Arnold M Noyek OC Legacy Fund continues to support student scholarships in telehealth for the faculty of medicine and the Dalla Lana School of Public Health as well as the activities of the global telehealth suite for our department and the university at Mount Sinai Hospital.

Our continued commitment to mother, newborn and child health and issues globally remains at the forefront of our mission.

We are grateful for the academic and cooperative relationship shared within our department and the university and all other academic and service partners broadly. Stay tuned!
Dr. Peter Adamson, MD, FRCSC, FACS

The Face the Future™ Foundation is now in its 19th year of its mission to provide medical care to children and young adults suffering from facial and other physical deformities. Since its inception Dr. Adamson, as president and founder, has led 29 missions with teams ranging from 1 to 16 members to countries with less healthcare resources than ours.

The missions are established through partnerships not only with local surgeons, but also with the hospitals, ministries of health and other community leaders. The goals include not only providing consultative and surgical services, but also teaching surgeons, nurses and paramedical staff so that capacity can be built locally. The foundation commits to creating a long-term relationship, meeting needs identified by the local surgeons and other healthcare providers. Most of our team members commit to joining a mission for several years. In this way collegiality, trust and friendships are built such that progress is enhanced.

In September, 2014, the foundation supported a one-man visit by Dr. Kofi Boahene to the Rwandan Military Hospital (which is also a public hospital) in Kigali to work with its Chief of Plastic Surgery, Dr. Charles Furaha. The two know each other well, as Dr. Boahene has been on two previous missions. He also led our team of 12 for its third major mission in February 2015. Thirty-nine consultations were performed and 28 complex surgeries completed. These included total nasal and maxillofacial reconstructions, massive tumor ablations, burn scar revisions and 6 free flaps for facial reconstruction. All of the latter were performed with loupes only (the single operating microscope, decades old, was broken) and all were successful. Our team consisted of six facial plastic surgeons, five anesthesiologists (one specializing in ICU and postoperative care) and one scrub nurse. They came from Johns Hopkins University, Baylor University, Regensburg University in Germany and the University of Toronto.

In April, 2015 Dr. Alex Rabinovich, an oromaxillofacial surgeon from San Francisco, was joined by an oculo plastic surgeon and facial plastic surgeon from New York at the Bonum Center Pediatric Hospital in Ekaterinburg, Russia. During the week they saw 70 patients in consultation, operated on 38 patients, and gave lectures which complemented their intraoperative teaching. The foundation has been supporting missions to the Bonum Center, the earlier ones in association with the Face-to-Face Foundation of the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, since 1996.

The foundation’s fourth mission of the year was its fourth major mission to Ulyanovsk, Russia in June 2015. Ulyanovsk is about 600 miles southeast of Moscow, where the team works with surgeons at the Ulyanovsk Regional Pediatric Hospital. The team of 10 consisted of two facial plastic surgeons, a pediatric laryngologist, two pediatric general surgeons, two pediatric urologists, a scrub nurse, an administrator and one of our own PGY4 residents, Dr. Nikolaus Wolter. The surgical team had members from Baylor University and the University of Toronto. Altogether the team saw 52 consultations and performed 18 surgeries in addition to intraoperative and didactic teaching.

Financial support for the foundation’s work is provided through funds originally donated by one of Dr. Adamson’s patients. Additional funds are raised annually through a dinner and auction event, this year held May 26 at The Granite Club. In addition to the 90 guests who attended, many other friends of the foundation contributed either auction items or financially to support the missions. At least two missions are being planned for the coming year, along with a pilot mission to Chiclayo, Peru to assess their stated need for craniofacial surgery.

Additional information is available at http://www.facethefuturefoundation.ca
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<td>Are there objective measures of neural function that can be used to distinguish the above-average cochlear implant user?</td>
<td>Australian Society of Otolaryngology/Head &amp; Neck Surgery. Sydney, Australia. Presenter(s): Jafri Kuthubutheen, Vincent Lin.</td>
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<td>WITTERICK, I</td>
<td>Invited Lecturer. 1. Aspects of training for extended endoscopic approaches, panel nasal and sinus malignancies; 2. Moderator skull base morning lecture series; 3. Sunset debate - Malignancies of the sinus and skull base: How to manage it.</td>
<td>16th World Congress of Rhinology. Sao Paulo, Brazil. Presenter(s): Witterick IJ.</td>
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<td>Moderator. The unique implant. 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants. Toronto, Ontario.</td>
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LIN, V
2014 Oct
Invited Speaker. Cochlear implantation on the medically complex patient: Medical and surgical considerations. 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants, University of Toronto. Toronto, Ontario. Presenter(s): Vincent Lin.

2014 Oct
Objective assessment of preoperative steroids on hearing preservation cochlear implantation. 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants, University of Toronto. Toronto, Ontario. Presenter(s): Jafri Kuthubutheen, Vincent Lin.

2014 Oct
Measuring the cochlear duct length and its effect on electrode placement and outcomes. 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants, University of Toronto. Toronto, Ontario. Presenter(s): Jafri Kuthubutheen, Vincent Lin.

2014 Oct
Relating objective measures of auditory function to behavioural speech outcomes among high level adult performers with the MED-EL flex electrode. 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants, University of Toronto. Toronto, Ontario. Presenter(s): Jafri Kuthubutheen, Vincent Lin.

2015 May 29

CHINA

LIN, V
2015 May

2015 May
Patients with Cochlear implants demonstrate a substantial rise in personal income. Asia Pacific Symposium on Cochlear Implants and Related Sciences. Beijing, China. Presenter(s): Vincent Lin.

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PAPSIN, B
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SMILSKY, K

COLUMBIA

ENEPEKIDES, D
2014 Sep 13  Distinguished Speaker. My Worst Case of Lower 1/3 of the Face Reconstruction. AO CMF. Cartagena, Colombia. Presenter(s): Danny Enepekides. AO Latin America Symposium on Complex Post-Oncologic Facial Reconstruction.

2014 Sep 12  Distinguished Speaker. Microvascular Reconstruction of the Tongue and Floor of Mouth. AO CMF. Cartagena, Colombia. Presenter(s): Danny Enepekides. AO Latin America Symposium on Complex Post-Oncologic Facial Reconstruction.


2014 Sep 11  Distinguished Speaker. Microvascular reconstruction of the scalp and calvarium. AO CMF. Cartagena, Colombia. Presenter(s): Danny Enepekides. AO Latin America Symposium on Complex Post-Oncologic Facial Reconstruction.

CZECH REPUBLIC

CHEPEHA, D

GILBERT, R
2014 Sep  Moderator. Reconstructive Surgery of the Maxillofacial skeleton after ablative surgery. Pitfalls and pearls from across the Atlantic. IAOO. Prague, Czech Republic.

ENGLAND

ADAMSON, P
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<td>Demonstration rhinoplasty cadaver dissection and lab teaching (2 days). Presentation of rhinoplasty videotapes (4 hours). Linear scar revision techniques (30 minutes). Demonstration scar revision cadaver dissection (2 hours).</td>
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<td><strong>SAUDI ARABIA</strong></td>
<td>Vestibular scope of practice - Audiologist’s perspective. Co-presented a two-week course (combined didactic and laboratory instruction) to a group of otolaryngologists, audiologists, and technicians as part of a</td>
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vestibular diploma program. Lecture topics included ENG/VNG, c/o-VEMP, vHIT, rotational chair, etc. Doha, Qatar. Saudi Arabia. November 7-21, 2014.

HASSOUNEH, B  
2014 Dec  
Guest Lecturer. How to critical appraise a research paper. King Abdul Aziz University Hospital – Department of Otolaryngology-HNS. Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Presenter(s): Basil Hassouneh.

2014 Nov  
Cadaveric lab instructor. 6th Riyadh International FESS Course, King Saud University. Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Presenter(s): Basil Hassouneh.

SPAIN

CAMPISI, P  
2015 Feb 5  

SWITZERLAND

ANDERSON, J  
2015 Jan  
Invited Speaker. Winter days of laryngology. Genève (fr), Switzerland. Presenter(s): Dr. Jennifer Anderson.

TURKEY

PAPSIN, B  
2014 Sep 3  
Invited Lecturer. An analysis of the effect of insertion technique and electrode on residual hearing and electrophysiologic response. 1) An analysis of the effect of insertion technique and electrode on residual hearing and electrophysiologic response (invited lecture); 2) Bilateral CI - Pros and Cons (panellist); 3) Stabilization of balance using head referenced cochlear stimulation (invited lecture); 4) New approaches to CI (round table), Challenges in CI (round table).9th Inner Ear Disease and Cochlear Implant Symposium. Cesme, Turkey. September 3 - 5, 2014.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLAND

PROPSIT, E  
2015 Mar 21  

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

HASSOUNEH, B  
2015 Apr  
Invited Speaker. Improving the outcome in patients with nasal obstruction: systematic approach to evaluation and management. Post-meeting sponsored event at the 12th Annual Middle East Update in Otolaryngology Conference. Dubai, UAE. Presenter(s): Basil Hassouneh.
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<td>Invited Speaker. 1. Chronic cough; 2. Irritable larynx syndrome; 3. Autoimmune disorders and larynx. 2015 Otolaryngology Update at Sea, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine. Florida, United States. Presenter(s): Dr. Jennifer Anderson.</td>
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<td>Invited Faculty Laboratory Instructor. Phonosurgery course for tertiary physicians performing laryngology/voice surgery. Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Department of OTO-HNS, Harvard University. Combined Otolaryngology Spring Meeting. Boston, Massachusetts, United States. Presenter(s): Jennifer Anderson.</td>
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INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS (continued)

ENEPEKIDES, D

ELLIS, D

FREEMAN, J
2014 Dec 7 Preservation of the superior laryngeal nerve, surgery at the thyroid and parathyroid glands. Boston, Massachusetts, United States. Presenter(s): Jeremy Freeman.

2014 Jul 29 Surgeon performed ultrasound-guided fine needle aspirates for the thyroid: Our experience. 5th World Congress of IFHNOS & Annual Meeting of the AHNS. New York, New York, United States. Presenter(s): Vinay Fernandes. (Trainee Presentation).

GILBERT, R

2014 Jul 26 Instructor. New and upcoming changes to staging of H&N cancer. 5th World Congress of IFHNOS & Annual Meeting of the AHNS. New York City, New York, United States. Presenter(s): Lydiatt W & Goldstein D. Instructional Course.

GOLDSTEIN, D et al

Goulding, G
2015 Jan SmartSound IQ and the Nucleus 6. Cochlear Corporation Company Meeting, Denver, CO.

GULLANE, P


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| 2015 Apr 25| Panel. Introducing endoscopes into a pediatric otologic practice. American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology (ASPO) annual meeting. Boston, Massachusetts, United States. Presenter(s): Blake Papsin. | PAPSIN, B  
| 2015 Apr 23| Invited Speaker. ASPO Fellowship Director’s Survey - Competency Evaluation. Dr. Christopher Hartnick. Boston, Massachusetts, United States. Presenter(s): Udayan Shah, Evan Propst. Survey of Fellowship Directors regarding evaluation methods currently used and planned for use in evaluating competency. | PROPST, E  
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<td><strong>WITTERICK, I</strong></td>
<td>Invited Lecturer. Neck dissection pearls (Lunch with the Professors). 5th World Congress of IFHNOS and the Annual Meeting of the AHNS. New York, United States. Presenter(s): Witterick IJ (moderator), Bumpous J, Rezaee R.</td>
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<td><strong>CHAN, Y</strong></td>
<td>Invited lecturer. FESS failures &amp; tips on revision surgery, Update in Otolaryngology Workshop, National ENT Hospital, Hanoi, Vietnam.</td>
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<td>Invited lecturer. Endoscopic Sinus Surgery Post-operative Care, Update in Otolaryngology Workshop, National ENT Hospital, Hanoi, Vietnam.</td>
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<td><strong>ADAMSON, P</strong></td>
<td>Invited Speaker. Strategies and attitudes for professional and personal success. CSO-HNS Annual Meeting. Winnipeg, MB.</td>
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<td><strong>CAMPISI, P</strong></td>
<td>Invited Speaker. Impact of vaccination on juvenile onset recurrent respiratory papillomatosis - surveillance in Canada. Melvin Schloss Day, McGill University. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Presenter(s): Paolo Campisi.</td>
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<td><strong>CHAN, Y</strong></td>
<td>Invited lecturer. Office based rhinology: Balloon catheter dilation and polypvac, on panel: Office-based rhinology. The 19th Annual McGill University Update in Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery, Mont Tremblant, Quebec.</td>
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<td>2015 June</td>
<td>Invited lecturer. CRS maximal medical management, Panellist on panel: A Witches’ Brew of Therapies: Optimizing evidence based practice in pre-, peri, and post-operative care of patients with chronic rhinosinusitis. Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-HNS 69th Meeting, Winnipeg, MB.</td>
<td>Ellis, D</td>
<td>Winnipeg, MB</td>
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<td>2015 Jan 31</td>
<td>Surgical management of thyroid disease. Canadian Association of Nuclear Medicine. 2015 Annual Scientific Meeting, Canadian Association of Nuclear Medicine. Montreal, Quebec.</td>
<td>Irish, J</td>
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<td>2015 May</td>
<td>Invited Speaker. Presentation and management of laryngeal cleft. 9th Annual International Pediatric Otolaryngology Update. Dr. Sam Daniel. Montreal, Quebec.</td>
<td>Propst, E</td>
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<td>2014 Nov 3</td>
<td>Invited Speaker. McGill Airway Course. Dr. John Manoukian and Dr. Sam Daniel. Montreal, Quebec. Animal dissection lab for teaching endoscopic and open airway reconstruction.</td>
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PROVINCIAL/LOCAL MEETINGS

ADAMSON, P
2015 Feb  Invited Faculty. Aesthetic otoplasty. Otolaryngology Update, Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, University of Toronto. Toronto. Presenter(s): Peter Adamson.

ANDERSON, J
2014 Oct 1 Speaker. Vibration therapy in singers: Randomized controlled trial. Faculty of Music and MaHRC Music and Health Colloquium. Presenter(s): J Anderson. This is a forum for research in music and health.

BRADLEY, G

CAMPISI, P

CHAN, Y
2015 May  Invited lecturer: Tips on revision sinus surgery, University of Toronto Rhinology Update 2015, Toronto.
2015 March Invited lecturer. Nasopharyngeal carcinoma. Trillium Health Partners Credit Valley Hospital Department of Family Practice Grand Rounds, Mississauga.

CHEPEHA, D

CUSHING, S
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<td>Speaker/faculty: Care of the professional voice. Toronto Voice Course, University of Toronto, Toronto.</td>
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<td>Invited speaker. Listen to an Audiologist. Senior Division Learn-In, Bialik Hebrew Day School, Toronto.</td>
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<td>2015 May</td>
<td>Course Coordinator and Lecturer. Comprehensive practical vestibular assessment course UHN; University of Toronto, Department of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery. Lecture Topics: VOR Testing, ENG/VNG, Electrocochleography; also ran hands-on workshops.</td>
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<td>PAPAIOANNOU, V</td>
<td>2014 Nov</td>
<td>Invited Lecturer. Cultural competence in a healthcare setting, to First year graduate students at Western University, London, Ontario.</td>
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<td>PROPST, E</td>
<td>2015 Mar 6</td>
<td>Invited Speaker. Surgical management of complex sleep disorders. Pediatric Sleep Symposium. Dr. Indra Narang. Toronto, Ontario.</td>
<td>Presenter(s): Propst EJ.</td>
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<td>WITTERICK, I</td>
<td>2015 Jun 12</td>
<td>Demonstrator. Third Annual Skull Base Endoscopy Course. Division of Neurosurgery, Department of Surgery, University of Toronto.</td>
<td>Presenter(s): Witterick IJ.</td>
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<td>2015 May 22</td>
<td>Panel Member. Favorite sinus surgery manoeuvres; Medical management of chronic rhinosinusitis; Ask the Experts: Controversies in rhinology through case discussion. Rhinology Update, Department of Otolaryngology-Head &amp; Neck Surgery, University of Toronto.</td>
<td>Presenter(s): Witterick IJ.</td>
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## INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

### CANADA (International Meetings in Canada)

**WILLIAMS, K**

2014 Oct  
Inter-aural attenuation as a predictor of outcomes for SSD patients implanted with the bonebridge. 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants. Toronto. Williams K, Smith L, Lin V, Vanderelst R, Kuthubutheen J, Nedzelski J, Chen J.

### CHINA

**SMILSKY, K et al**

2015 May  
Sequential bilateral implantation in an adult population: Does the second ear progress more quickly if the first CI use is suspended? 10th Asian Pacific Symposium on Cochlear Implant and Related Sciences, Beijing, China. Podium Presentation, Smilsky K, Smith L, Shipp D, Ng A, Millman T, Stewart S.

### FRANCE

**ABEL, S**

2014 Sept  

**DE ALMEIDA, J**

2014 Jun 26  

### GERMANY

**DABDOUB, A**

2014  
Generating induced neurons from cochlear cells to replace lost or damaged auditory neurons in the mammalian inner ear. International Conference on Cochlear Implants. Munich, Bayern, Germany. Presenter(s): Dabdoub, A. Authors: Dabdoub A. and Nishimura K.

### JAPAN

**DABDOUB, A**

2014 Nov  
Wnt4 signaling inhibits hair cell formation in the developing mammalian cochlea through the non-canonical Wnt/Calcium/PKC pathway. Inner Ear Biology Meeting. Kyôto [Kyoto], Japan. Presenter(s): Dabdoub, A.

2014 Nov  
INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS (continued)

KOREA

IRISH, J  

TURKEY

BROWN, DH  

WITTERICK, IJ et al  

PAPSSIN, B  


UNITED STATES

ABEL, S  

ANDERSON, J  


BRADLEY, G  

INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS (continued)

CAMPISI, P et al
2015 May 4 Simulation-based workshop on teamwork skills for otolaryngology, anesthesiology and nursing: Resources, challenges and impact. 7th International Pediatric Simulation Symposia and Workshops. Vancouver, BC. Presenter(s): Ng E, Roy WL, Campisi P, Forte V, Propst E, Everett T.


CHEN, J

CHEPEHA, D


2014 Sep Lymphoscintigraphy concordance with intraoperative findings from sentinel lymph node (SLN) biopsy with [99mTc] tilmanocept in clinically node-negative (cN0) head and neck squamous cell carcinoma patients (HNSCC). 2015 Annual Cancer Symposium of the Society of Surgical Oncology. Presenter(s): Chepeha DB.


2014 Jul Parathyroid hormone ameliorates radiation-induced hypocellularity in a murine model of distraction osteogenesis. 5th World Congress IFHNOS and Annual AHNS Meeting. New York, NY. Kang SY, Deshpande SS, Donneys A, Felice PA, Rodriguez JJ, Nelson NS, Chepeha DB, Buchman SR.

CUSHING, S et al

2014 Dec 5 Unilateral hearing loss is associated with impaired balance in children. SENTAC. St. Louis, Missouri, United States. Presenter(s): Wolter NE, Vilchez-Madrigal LD, Gordon KA, Papsin BC, Cushing SL.
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HARRISON, R 2015 Feb  Vascular degeneration in the cochlea during CMV infection in a mouse model. Mid-Winter Meeting Association for Research in Otolaryngology (ARO), Bethesda Maryland, USA. Carraro M, Park A, Harrison RV.

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<td>Updated outcomes of cochlear implantation in adults with hearing exceeding current candidacy criteria. Triological Society. San Diego, California, United States.</td>
<td>Hwang E, Lin V.</td>
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<td>2014 Dec</td>
<td>Transcutaneous bone conduction with the bonebridge. American Cochlear Implant Alliance. Nashville, Tennessee, United States.</td>
<td>Chen J, Lin V.</td>
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<td>2014 Dec</td>
<td>Overcoming barriers in paediatric cochlear implantation. Society for Ear, Nose and Throat Advances in Children, St. Louis, MO.</td>
<td>Papaioannou V.</td>
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<td>2015 Jan</td>
<td>Updated outcomes of cochlear implantation in adults with hearing exceeding current candidacy criteria. Triological Society, Combined Sections Meeting, Coronado, California, USA. Hwang E, Hilly O, Shipp DB, Nedzelski JM, Chen JM, Lin VYW.</td>
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VESCAN, A
2014 Oct 31  
Post-surgical stimulated thyroglobulin and neck ultrasound as personalized criteria for radioactive iodine selection in low and intermediate risk papillary thyroid cancer. American Thyroid Association. Coronado, California, United States. Presenter(s): Orlov S.

2015 Feb 19  

NATIONAL MEETINGS

DABDOUB, A
2014  
Direct conversion of endogenous cells into functional neurons in the mammalian inner ear using defined transcription factors. Canadian Association for Neuroscience. Montreal, Quebec. Presenter(s): Dabdoub A. Authors: Dabdoub A, and Nishimura K.

DE ALMEIDA, J
2014 Aug  

2014 Aug  

GOLDSTEIN, D
2014 Aug 25  

HAASSOUNEH, B
2015 Jun  

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IRISH, J
2015 Apr 23  
NATIONAL MEETINGS (continued)

LEE, J

LIN V


2015 Jun Cochlear implant position within the cochlea and performance outcome. Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery. Winnipeg, MB. Presenter(s): Hilly O, Lin V.


PROPST, E
2015 May 4 Simulation-based workshop on teamwork skills for Otolaryngology, anesthesiology and nursing: Resources, challenges and impact. 7th International Pediatric Simulation Symposium and Workshops 2015. Vancouver, BC. Presenter(s): Ng E, Roy WL, Campisi P, Forte V, Propst EJ, Everett T.

PAPSIN, B
2015 Apr 20 Is the auditory system educable? What pediatric cochlear implantation has taught us about the developing brain. (The 6th H. Bruce Williams Lecture). The Montreal Children's Hospital, Department of Surgery, McGill University Health Centre, Annual Research Day. Montreal, Quebec.

2014 Oct 1 Language development after cochlear implantation in children: Lessons learned. The Ministry of Education/The Provincial Board of Education. Winnipeg, MB. This one day symposium was organized by the Central Speech and Hearing Center in conjunction with the Ministry of Education to prepare the educational system to absorb the impact of neonatal hearing screening which begins in Manitoba in Sept 2016.

SHIPP, D et al


PROVINCIAL/LOCAL MEETINGS

ABEL, S
2014 Nov

ANDERSON, J
2015 Jun
Outpatient endocrine procedures: Review of postoperative complications. Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-HNS. Winnipeg, MB. Presenter(s): Shinghal T.

CUSHING, S et al
2015 May 8

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2015 Apr

2014 Oct 16
Quantification of balance dysfunction in children with cochleovestibular loss and cochlear implants. 8th International Symposium on Objective Measures in Auditory Implants. Toronto, ON. Presenter(s): Wolter NE, Gordon KA, Papsin BC, Cushing SL.

DABDOUB, A
2014 Oct 8
Regeneration of auditory neurons by direct reprogramming of endogenous cells in the mammalian inner ear. SRI Trainee Seminar Series. Toronto, ON. Presenter(s): Nishimura K. Postdoctoral Trainee Speaker Presentation.

DE ALMEIDA, J et al
2015 May 8
Intraoperative image guidance in transoral robotic surgery - A pilot GTx study. Percy Ireland Annual Research Day. Toronto, ON. Presenter(s): Ma A, Daly M, Chan H, Qiu J, de Almeida J.

2015 May 8

2015 May 8
Association of Pharyngocutaneous fistula on locoregional control in salvage laryngectomy. Percy Ireland Annual Research Day. Toronto, ON. Presenter(s): Hugh S, de Almeida J, Gullane P, Goldstein D.

2015 May 8
Session Chair. Category 4 - Work undertaken by PGY4 residents during clinical rotation. Percy Ireland Annual Research Day. Toronto, ON.
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