

2015 Research Award Recipients

OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF CANADA

Dr. Wendy Levinson

was appointed Officer of the Order of Canada "for her contributions to promoting effective communication between physicians and patients, as well as for her sustained leadership in academic medicine."

Dr. Levinson, a general internist, is the immediate past Chair of the Department of Medicine. Her research focuses on strategies to improve physician-patient communication. At present she leads Choosing Wisely Canada and Choosing Wisely International, campaigns to engage physicians and patients in conversations about unnecessary tests, treatments and procedures.



Wendy Levinson, OC, MD, FRCPC, FCAHS
Professor, Department of Medicine
Scientist, Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute
of St. Michael's Hospital

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Dr. Shaf Keshavjee

has pioneered new techniques to preserve and care for donor lungs prior to transplantation, including gene therapies to prevent injury. His Toronto Ex Vivo Lung Perfusion System enables donor organs to be preserved and repaired outside the body, extending the window of time for organ matching and transportation.

Dr. Keshavjee was appointed Officer of the Order of Canada "for his innovative contributions to thoracic surgery, notably in the development of a process that has improved lung transplantation worldwide."

Shaf Keshavjee, OC, OOnt, MD, MSc, FACS, FRCSC, FCAHS
Professor, Department of Surgery
Surgeon-in-Chief, UHN
Director, Toronto Lung Transplant Program, UHN and The Hospital for Sick Children

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Dr. Mary Gospodarowicz

was appointed Officer of the Order of Canada "for contributing to improved cancer radiotherapy and for her leadership in advancing cancer care around the world."

Dr. Gospodarowicz is a leading researcher of radiation therapy for lymphomas and genitourinary cancers and of image-guided radiation therapy. The Medical Director at the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre and a former Chair of the Department of Radiation Oncology, she was the first Canadian president of the Union for International Cancer Control, which unites representatives from 155 countries.



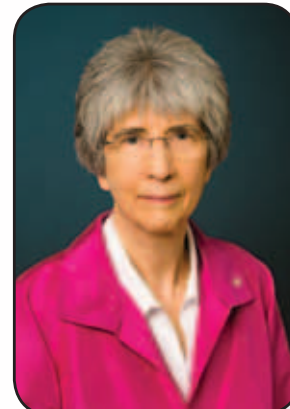
Mary Gospodarowicz, OC, MD, FRCPC, FRCR(Hon)
Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology
Medical Director, Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, UHN

OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF CANADA DEAN'S ALUMNI LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD, FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Dr. Sandra Black

was appointed Officer of the Order of Canada "for contributing to improved diagnosis and treatment of vascular dementia, Alzheimer's disease and stroke."

Dr. Black is world-renowned for her research in cognitive impairment and brain-behaviour relationships in stroke and dementia. She has led major longitudinal studies refining the use of neuroimaging, clinical and neuropsychological measures in the differential diagnosis and monitoring of dementia, as well as multi-centre clinical treatment trials focused on dementia and stroke. Dr. Black is executive director of the Toronto Dementia Research Alliance and Sunnybrook Site Director for the Canadian Partnership for Stroke Recovery.



Sandra Black, OC, OOnt, MD, FRSC, FRCPC
Professor and Brill Chair in
Neurology, Department of Medicine
Senior Scientist and Director, Hurvitz Brain Sciences Research Program,
Sunnybrook Research Institute, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre

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Dr. Norman Marcon

was appointed Officer of the Order of Canada "for his contributions to the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of gastrointestinal diseases and for his work to disseminate the latest advances in therapeutic endoscopy."

Dr. Marcon directs the therapeutic endoscopy training program and a longstanding, internationally renowned endoscopy conference at St. Michael's Hospital's Advanced Therapeutic Endoscopy Centre, which he helped to establish as one of the premier endoscopic centres in the world.

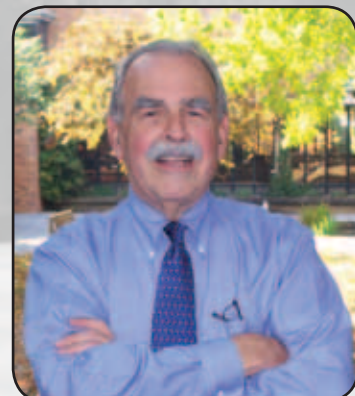
Norman Marcon, OC, MD, FRCPC
Professor, Department of Medicine
Advanced Therapeutic Endoscopy Centre, St. Michael's Hospital

MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF CANADA

Dr. Aubie Angel

was appointed Member of the Order of Canada "for his contributions to endocrinology and to the establishment of health organizations in Canada."

Dr. Angel is an endocrinologist with research interests in adipose tissue and lipid/lipoprotein metabolism. His work led to the discovery that in obesity, the total body cholesterol pool is enlarged because of the accumulation of cholesterol in fat tissue. He also demonstrated that diets rich in fish oil resulted in smaller fat stores compared to animals fed saturated fat, such as lard. He was founding member of several academic and advocacy organizations including Friends of CIHR, a national organization that promotes the goals and ideals of CIHR and bestows the Friesen International Prize in Health Research.



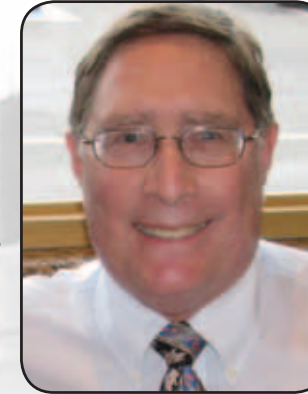
Aubie Angel, CM, MD, BSc(Med), MSc(Exp Med), FRCPC, FCAHS
Professor Emeritus, University of Manitoba
President, Friends of Canadian Institutes of Health Research

MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF CANADA

Dr. Jay Keystone

was appointed Member of the Order of Canada "for his contributions as a clinician and educator who has expanded the discipline of tropical and travel medicine."

Dr. Keystone is an internationally recognized expert in leprosy, intestinal parasites and travel medicine who has conducted field work across three continents. He has been an influential leader in the field as past president of the International Society of Travel Medicine, the clinical division of the American Society of Tropical Medicine, and the Canadian Society of International Health.



Jay Keystone, CM, MD, MSc(CTM), FRCPC
Professor, Department of Medicine
Senior Staff Physician, Toronto General Hospital, UHN
Director, Medisys Travel Health and Immunization Clinic

BOUNDLESS LEADERSHIP

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Dr. Brenda Gallie

was appointed Member of the Order of Canada "for her contributions to the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of retinoblastoma, a childhood eye cancer."

Dr. Gallie's retinoblastoma research led to knowledge of cancer genetics, a sensitive test for mutations of the retinoblastoma gene, and discovery of a new form of retinoblastoma. Her global leadership includes guidelines, collaborations, and databases in support of clinical care and research, envisioning One Retinoblastoma World where every child has optimal opportunity.



Brenda Gallie, CM, OOnt, MD, FRCSC
Professor, Department of Ophthalmology and Vision Sciences
Head, Retinoblastoma Program, The Hospital for Sick Children

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Dr. Vivian Rakoff

was appointed Member of the Order of Canada "for his contributions to psychiatry as an educator and clinician, and for his role in founding the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health."

Dr. Rakoff, a former Chair of the Department of Psychiatry, also served as Psychiatrist-in-Chief and CEO of the Clarke Institute of Psychiatry. He was instrumental in the amalgamation of the Clarke Institute with other organizations to form CAMH and established CAMH's world-leading centre for brain research using positron emission tomography (PET).

Vivian Morris Rakoff, CM, FRCPC
Professor Emeritus, Department of Psychiatry
Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF CANADA TOP 25 WOMEN OF INFLUENCE, WOMEN OF INFLUENCE INC. HONORARY DOCTOR OF LAWS, RYERSON UNIVERSITY HONORARY DOCTOR OF LAWS, WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Dr. Catherine Zahn

is President and CEO of the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH), where she champions equitable access to mental health care. Dr. Zahn, a neurologist and epilepsy expert, has contributed to Ontario healthcare through leadership in hospital integration, technology assessment and chronic disease management.

Dr. Zahn was appointed Member of the Order of Canada "for her contributions as a neurologist, health care administrator and advocate on behalf of those living with mental health and addiction issues."



Catherine Zahn, CM, MD, MSc, FRCPC, LLD(Hon)
Professor, Department of Medicine
President and CEO, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

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Dr. Martin Yaffe

was appointed Member of the Order of Canada "for his groundbreaking research in breast cancer screening and for his commitment to improving women's health."

Dr. Yaffe's imaging research has developed new techniques to improve diagnostic imaging for cancer, as well as new ways to use and evaluate 3D and contrast-enhanced imaging. He has led efforts to refine and translate new screening techniques into practice to improve early cancer detection and effectively provide prognostic information.

Martin Yaffe, CM, PhD
Professor, Department of Medical Biophysics
Senior Scientist, Sunnybrook Research Institute,
Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre
Director, Smarter Imaging Program, Ontario Institute for Cancer Research

MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF CANADA MCGILL ALUMNI GLOBAL COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Dr. Marla Shapiro

has been an exceptional leader of knowledge translation as a nationally renowned health and medical expert for Canada AM, CTV News, CTV News Channel and The Globe and Mail, with special assignments for W5. She was the host of Balance: Television for Living Well and is founding editor of ParentsCanada Magazine.

She was appointed Member of the Order of Canada "for her contributions as a family physician and as a trusted source of health information who communicates both the medical and human impacts of health care concerns."

Marla Shapiro, CM, MDCM, MHSc, FRCPC, FCFP, NCMP
Associate Professor, Department of Family and Community Medicine
Toronto Western Hospital, UHN; Mount Sinai Hospital;
and North York General Hospital

