



DIVISION OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION

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1. Meet the University of Toronto Division of PM&R 2022/23 PGY1s

We are thrilled to announce our CMG match for 2022. Our incoming PGY1s are:

- Alyssa Lee, McMaster University
- Kyung Joon Mun, University of Toronto
- Dan Sequeira, McMaster University

Enclosed is a slide deck for the incoming PGY1s who are starting July 1, 2022.

2. Congratulations to newly promoted faculty

We were very pleased to hear three successful promotion applications that were recently approved. As of July 1, 2022:

- Dinesh Kumbhare will be promoted to Professor,
- Alex Lo will be promoted to Associate Professor,
- Colleen McGillivray will be promoted to Associate Professor.

These senior promotions are very meaningful and require considerable documentation of impact as well as reference letters from individuals outside of U of T. Please join us in congratulating these individuals for their success.

3. Amanda Mayo receives William Goldie Prize and Travel Award in Quality and Innovation

We were happy to hear that Amanda Mayo was successful in receiving the Goldie Prize in Quality and Innovation. This prize is well-deserved given Amanda's outstanding work on quality improvement at St. John's Rehab / Sunnybrook and U of T. She has improved several elements of amputee care moving upstream in the system to work with surgeons and those taking care of patients while they are in their acute phase. She also has served an important role as associate director of the U of T Centre for Quality of Improvement and Patient Safety (CQuIPS). Please join us in congratulating Amanda at this outstanding success who can be reached at Amanda.mayo@sunnybrook.ca.

4. Andrea Furlan awarded Strong Mentorship Award

We were pleased to hear as announced at the Institute of Medical Science Scientific Day recently, that Andrea Furlan was awarded the Strong Mentorship Award. Please join us in congratulating Andrea at andrea.furlan@uhn.ca.

5. Congratulations to Nimish Mittal for CFAR successful review

We were happy to hear that The Continuing Faculty Appointment Review Committee has met and recommended Nimish Mittal for continuing academic appointment. Congratulations are extended to Nimish Mittal who can be reached at nimish.mittal@uhn.ca.



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6. Tiffany Got receives the 2022 Esther and Saul Baker Award

We were pleased to hear that our own Tiffany Got (junior resident), received this award for being the best resident outside the internal medicine specialty that worked with geriatricians as Sinai Health System/UHN in 2021-2022. Tiffany received the award on May 25th. This is a great recognition of Tiffany's outstanding work as a resident in our program. Please join us in congratulating Tiffany who can be reached at tiffany.got@mail.utoronto.ca.

7. Do you encounter patients who might have functional neurologic disorder?

We had an outstanding Grand Rounds on May 20 from Matthew Burke who is a neurologist in the department of psychiatry at Sunnybrook Hospital. He gave an outstanding talk which is relevant to PM&R no matter which area you work in. I would encourage you to contact Nancy Riley at nancy.riley@sunnybrook.ca if you wish to watch the video. There is also an article attached to this newsletter which is enlightening. The following website may also be of interest: https://www.neurosymptoms.org/en_GB/

8. International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine occurring in Lisbon July 3-7, 2022

We would love to hear who might be going to the ISPRM on July 3-7, 2022. At that meeting, we will be presenting a proposal on behalf of CAPM&R to hold the 2026 meeting in Vancouver, B.C. This would be the first time that ISPRM would be held in Canada.

9. CAPM&R virtual meetings to be held in late June 2022

As you may know, the CAPM&R is still meeting virtually this year because of the pandemic. There will be a virtual AGM and Awards ceremony on Monday, June 20th from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. In addition, there will be a virtual education day on Monday, June 27th from 9:30am to 4:00pm. In 2023, we are hoping to have an in-person meeting in Charlottetown, PEI.

10. Thank you to those who organized the drawing social event

We recently heard from Nick Sequeira that the social event on March 22nd went quite well where we had a professional artist work with a group on Zoom so that people could draw their own portraits or portraits of those nearby them. This worked out quite well and attached, you'll see a photo of some of the drawings that were produced. A special thanks to everyone who showed their drawing.





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11. Larry Robinson gets a new mugshot.

As a part of bike to work month, Sunnybrook staff were encouraged to submit photos of them biking to work. Larry Robinson submitted a photo of his muscles and won a mug!. He then took off another facial layer to reveal his skeleton (holding the mug). One of his colleagues, recently asked him if he always shows off his anatomy – he knew there was no good answer to this question that would not involve an involuntary trip to the HR office.



As always, let us know if you have stories of interest that you would like to have distributed.

Don't forget to connect with our Twitter site @UofT_Physiatry.

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