Congratulations to all our residents who have passed their Royal College exams and are preparing for the next stages of their career!

Dr. Prin Chitpuntmul Neurology
Dr. Gabriela Godoy Neurology
Dr. Gordon Iverson Neurology
Dr. Ryan MacIsaac Neurology
Dr. Matthew Milgate Neurology
Dr. Candice Poon Neurology
Dr. Michael Yang Neurosurgery
Dr. Rehana Murani Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
Dr. Andrea Sawatzky Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
Dr. Michael Yang Neurosurgery

Researchers study Vitamin B3 as treatment for glioblastoma
DCNS members Dr. Paula de Robles and Dr. V. Wee Yong, along with collaborator Dr. Gloria Roldan Urgoiti, have launched a phase I-II clinical trial involving niacin and its potential to boost the body’s immune system to fight the devastating brain tumour. Click to read the story in UToday.

Music to our ears...
Congrats to Dr. Stephanie Plamondon on receiving an Individual Citation Award from the Canadian Association of Music Therapists. Recipients are recognized as “agencies and non-music therapists who have provided employment and promoted the advancement of Music Therapy in Canada”.

PROMOTED TO PROFESSOR: Dr. Lara Cooke Dr. Bijoy Menon Dr. Tamara Pongracic
PROMOTED TO CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR: Dr. Scott Jarvis Dr. Justyna Sarna
PROMOTED TO CLINICAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR: Dr. Mohammed Almekhlafi Dr. Kevin Bushce Dr. Marcus Koch
PROMOTED TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR: Dr. Sophie Dukelow Dr. Dominique Lam

More resident news
Congratulations also to Dr. Michael Yang on receiving the Honda CMC Food Fellowship Training Award. Dr. Yang will be heading to the University of Illinois to pursue a Complex and nutrition-focused mmership in the CMC Food Research Clinic. His research will focus on improving patient care in the Emergency Department and after surgery. Dr. Yang also successful in the recruitment for the spinal neurosurgeon search and will join our faculty in summer of 2022!

In May 2021, Dr. Hamilton has submitted his application to the 2020/21 Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Health System (PRIHS) program. The grant, from Alberta Innovates and Alberta Health and Wellness, involves the PRIHS 6 Stage 2 project “Reducing Ventricular/Septum and Ventricle Septum Infection in the Neurosurgical and ICU Patient Population in Alberta.”

"Our application was approved on the first submission with a requested budget of approximately $11.8 million USD,” says Dr. Hamilton.

"While the study will be run through John Hopkins University, Baltimore, it will include all of the eight AHCRN centres and 12 additional preselected sites spanning four countries in North America and Europe.”

Congratulations Dr. Hamilton!