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# Stroke featured in NY Times

Congratulation to the Calgary Stroke Program for their profile in the New York Times Magazine.

The March 5 edition of the magazine included a nine-page story about endovascular therapy for ischemic stroke—and how Calgary is leading the world in patient care, systemic implementation and clinical trials.

Eva Holland, a freelance writer from the Yukon Territories, visited Foothills Medical Centre in April last year to shadow the stroke team and conduct interviews.

After 10 months of writing and editing, photographer Natalia Neuhaus flew to Calgary from New York in February to capture dozens of stunning black and white images to illustrate the story.

Thank you to all who participated in the story and photos.

## Grants & Awards

PM&R's Music Therapy Program was officially renewed and will be expanding to all four acute hospital sites over the next two to three years. This is because of a matching grant arrangement between the National Music Centre and Calgary Health Foundation (\$250,000 each—doubling the previous amount for programs at FMC and SHC. Congratulations to **Dr. Stephanie Plamondon** and her team.

**Dr. Wee Yong** was awarded the AFMC Scientist Award. The AFMC Scientist Award emphasizes the importance of excellence in all pillars of health research in advancing knowledge and recognizes an individual in Canada who has provided an exceptional research training environment for undergraduate students, medical students, graduate students, residents, fellows, and post-doctoral scholars.

Congratulations to **Dr. Aravind Ganesh** and the Calgary Stroke Program on their \$2M INOVAIT Focus Fund award for expanding StrokeSENS – AI tools to interpret imaging for acute ischemic stroke patients. With partner Circle CVI, the project aims to democratize stroke care in Canada.

**Dr. Tamara Pringsheim** and **Dr. Davide Martino** received a CIHR catalyst grant as co- principal investigators for Standards for Child and Youth Mental Health Services for Anxiety, Depression, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder and Tourette Syndrome Across Alberta.

Congratulations to faculty who were honoured with the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal: **Dr. Mark Hamilton**, **Dr. Lawrence Korngut**, **Dr. Michael Hill**, **Dr. Garnett Sutherland** and **Dr. Bijoy Menon**.

**Dr. Carlos Camara-Lemarroy** was awarded two grants in the past few months—ALS Canada-Brain Canada Discovery Grant and a DOD Multiple Sclerosis Research Program—along with an Exploration - Hypothesis Development Award.

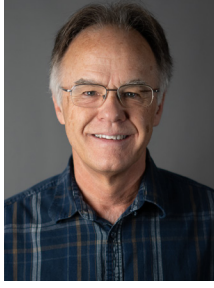
Neurosurgery Resident **Dr. Branavan Manoranjan** was awarded the CIHR Banting Postdoctoral Fellowship. Branavan is currently undertaking a research fellowship in Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.

## New Translational Neuroscience members

The Section of Translational Neuroscience is pleased to have two new members transferring to DCNS. **Dr. Gerald Zamponi**, PhD and **Dr. Ray Turner**, PhD are joining the department. Welcome!



Gerald Zamponi



Ray Turner



**This Revolutionary Stroke Treatment Will Save Millions of Lives. Eventually.**

A procedure called EVT is creating radically better outcomes for patients, but only when it's performed quickly enough — and that requires the transformation of an entire system of care.

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## Dr. Jetté to takeover DCNS leadership May 1



**Dr. Nathalie Jetté**, who was appointed Department Head in January, will officially (re)join DCNS in May.

Dr. Jetté is currently a professor of Neurology and Population Health Science and Policy, and the Bludhorn Professor of International Medicine at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (ISMSMS), NY.

## Dr. Michael Hill appointed to Order of Canada

The Department of Clinical Neurosciences congratulates Dr. Michael Hill on his appointment as an Officer of the Order of Canada!



The Order of Canada, one of the country's highest honours, recognizes people across all sectors of society who have made extraordinary and sustained contributions to our nation.

Congratulations, Dr. Hill!

## Admin updates

There were a number of administrative staff changes in the department last fall and this spring. Here's a quick update on new faces in DCNS:

**Kristi Kerby** is the permanent Manager-Administrative Services for the Department's of Clinical Neurosciences and Psychiatry.

**Kelly Derkson** has accepted the position of Coordinator- AMHSP in the Departments of Psychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences. She starts her new role on March 13, 2023.

**Amanda (Mandy) Smith** joined the department as an Administrative Assistant V supporting our Neurosurgery Department and Residency program.

**Jennifer Cameron** is an Admin IV who supports Dr. Coutts, Dr. Peters and Dr. Smith up on the 12th floor at FMC.

**Nisha Chackochan** joined the department as an Administrative Assistant IV, supporting the Young Adult/Adolescent Clinic and program based largely at the Alberta Children's Hospital.

**Sharon Woo** joined the team at SHC in the capacity of Admin IV.