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The Department of Clinical Neurosciences

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RESIDENTS SHINE AT RESEARCH DAY AWARDS

Congratulations to the two 2018 DCNS Resident Research Day award winners – and all who participated in the event this year.

The J. Gregory Cairncross Award for Excellence in Clinical Research went to PM&R's **Dr. Joan Stilling** and the Doug W. Zochodne Award for Excellence in Basic Science Research was won by Neurosurgery resident **Dr. Candice C. Poon**.

"The judging committee had to choose among a number of very strong presentations this year," said Dr. Midha.

"And I was especially impressed at the number of research papers that resulted in publications. That is wonderful to see."

Dr. Midha was also appreciative of the two presentations this year from Fellows in our department.

Dr. Carlos Camara-Lemarroy presented his research on biomarkers of intestinal barrier integrity in MS and **Dr. James Dimou** shared his analysis of patients with IDH1/2 mutant, non-1p19q codeleted astrocytomas.

Thank you to both for presenting this year — and also to Dr. Midha's fellow judges: Dr. Chantel Debert, Dr. David Cadotte, Dr. Gerald Pfeffer and Dr. Oury Monchi and Dr. Minh Dang Nguyen.



PGY4 PM&R resident
Dr. Joan Stilling (above)
collects her award.



R5 Neurosurgery resident
Dr. Candice Poon (left) with
Dr. Rajiv Midha.

Congratulations....

Congratulations to **Dr. Dan McGowan** who received a 2018 FMC Medical Staff Association Service Recognition Award this fall.

The award was presented Sept. 28 at a ceremony in the physicians' lounge at Foothills Hospital.

Dr. McGowan (right) celebrates with Dr. Christine McGovern and Dr. Rajiv Midha after the event.



Congratulations to **Dr. Fiona Costello**, who will be recognized Nov. 13 as one of the University of Calgary's Peak Scholars for 2018.

The Peak Scholars program celebrates the inspirational work of faculty in the areas of Entrepreneurship, Innovation, and Knowledge Engagement.



Dr. Andrew Ryu (bottom left) was inducted into Avenue Magazine's Top 40 Under 40 Class of 2018.

Avenue celebrated Andrew's surgical abilities, his dedication to patient engagement and his research into future surgical tools.

The R6 Neurosurgery resident joined 21 others with ties to the University of Calgary at the Nov. 8 celebration.

Congratulations, Andrew!



Congrats to **Dr. Paolo Federico**, who is the President-Elect for the Canadian League Against Epilepsy — the official Canadian chapter of the International League Against Epilepsy.

"I am very honoured and privileged to be the President-Elect of the Canadian League Against Epilepsy," said Dr. Federico.

"The landscape we face is constantly changing and I feel an open-minded and collaborative approach is key to meeting future goals and unexpected challenges."