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RE: 2010 – 2011 CAG Visiting Professor

As you are probably aware, each year the Canadian Association of Gastroenterology selects one of the members to be the CAG Visiting Professor. The recipient of the award is asked to visit several centres across Canada to present at GI or Grand Rounds, a research seminar, and/or regional/provincial meetings.

I am writing to let you know that the 2010-2011 Visiting Professor is Dr. Charles Bernstein (University of Manitoba) and to ask if you would be interested in having him visit during the year from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. For your information, we include a short biographical sketch from Dr. Bernstein.

It would be appreciated if you will contact him directly to arrange a suitable date, preferably by July. A response form is included for your convenience.

The CAG will support the expenses for the Visiting Professor's air travel, in accordance with CAG Travel Policies. The host center will be responsible for the cost of local transportation, accommodation, meals/entertainment associated with the visit and any honorarium.

It is hoped that your center will take this excellent opportunity to have Dr. Bernstein visit with you, and help to make the CAG Visiting Professor program a resounding success.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Jan Irvine
VP Secretary, CAG

Cc: Dr. David Morgan, President
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2010 – 2011 CAG Visiting Professor Prof. Charles Bernstein

Dr. Charles N. Bernstein graduated from the University of Manitoba School of Medicine in 1985, and completed a residency in internal medicine at the University of Manitoba in 1989 and a fellowship in gastroenterology at UCLA in 1991. He was an Assistant professor of Medicine at UCLA until 1993 when he returned to the University of Manitoba. In 1994 he established the University of Manitoba IBD Clinical and Research Centre, of which is the director. Since 2001 he has been Professor of Medicine and Head of the Section of Gastroenterology. From 2003-2008 he was also program Director, University of Manitoba Gastroenterology Fellowship Training Program. In 2008 he was elected into the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences and he became the inaugural holder of the Bingham Chair in Gastroenterology at the University of Manitoba. He was one of the inaugural recipients of the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada Research Scientist Awards in 2001 and it was renewed in 2006 for a second 5 year term. He is a previous holder of a CIHR Investigator Award. In 1998 he was elected into the International Organization for the Study of IBD (IOIBD) and in 2007 he became that organization's Scientific Secretary. In 2007 he was voted by his peers into *Best Doctors Canada*. In 2010 he was awarded for outstanding contribution to Research by his peers in Doctors Manitoba. He has been continuously funded from CIHR (or forerunning organizations, NHRDP and MRC) since 1995. Dr. Bernstein has authored or coauthored 225 peer reviewed articles and 19 book chapters. He is the Editor of the annual Yearbook of IBD (Remedica publishers) now in its 7th volume. He has previously been on the editorial boards of Gastroenterology, the American Journal of Gastroenterology, the Canadian Journal of Gastroenterology. He currently sits on the editorial board of Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology and is an Associate Editor with the Inflammatory Bowel Diseases journal. His main research interests are the epidemiology and etiology of IBD and conducting translational studies in IBD.

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Prof. Charles Bernstein**

**Return this form if you are interested in having
Prof. Charles Bernstein visit your centre.**

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Preferred time of year: _____

Preferred day of the week: _____

Any other comments: _____

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