Canadian Association of Gastroenterology Visiting Research Professorship and Visiting Clinical Professorship

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CAG VISITING RESEARCH PROFESSORSHIP

The Canadian Association of Gastroenterology (CAG) Visiting Research Professorship is offered annually to a member of the CAG who is a proven teacher and an outstanding researcher. The Visiting Research Professor is asked to visit at least six sites (typically academic centres) across the country during the period of July 1st to June 30th. The CAG supports the cost of the air travel for the Visiting Research Professor while the host sites are responsible for costs of local travel, accommodation, meals, and any honorarium.

Announcing the 2015-2016 CAG Visiting Research Professor – Dr Paul Moayyedi

Dr Paul Moayyedi, McMaster University

Dr Paul Moayyedi graduated from the University of Saskatchewan, Canada, with an MD in 2001. He went on to complete a residency in internal medicine at the University of Toronto from 2001-2004, followed by a fellowship in gastroenterology at the University of Toronto from 2005-2008. He is currently an Associate Professor of Medicine in the gastroenterology division of the University of Toronto. Dr Moayyedi’s research focus is on clinical aspects of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD). He has authored over 90 publications and is on the editorial board of the Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews. He has been the recipient of multiple research awards including the Young Investigator Award from the Canadian Association of Gastroenterology, the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research Early Career Investigator Award, and the Canada Research Chair in Inflammatory Bowel Disease.

Dr Moayyedi’s research focus is to understand the mechanisms of gut inflammation in IBD. His laboratory has a strong background in immunology, cell biology, microbiology and chemometrics. Dr Moayyedi’s laboratory has established a unique research platform to study the role of the gut microbiome in IBD, particularly in adolescents with IBD. He is currently leading a large international study on the impact of antibiotics on gut microbiota in IBD. Dr Moayyedi is the principal investigator of the Canadian Antimicrobial Resistance in IBD (CARE-IBD) program, which is a multi-center, multi-disciplinary network of IBD centers across Canada. He is a member of the Canadian Children’s IBD Network (CCIN) and the Canadian Association of Gastroenterology (CAG) Research Committee.

Thanks to the 2014-2015 CAG Visiting Research Professor – Dr Anne Griffiths

Dr Anne Griffiths, University of Toronto

Dr Griffiths is a pediatric gastroenterologist at SickKids Hospital, Toronto. She is a member of the Executive Committee of the Canadian Pediatric IBD Network and the International Society for the Study of the Gastrointestinal Tract in Infants and Children. Dr Griffiths has been on the steering committees of all major industry-sponsored clinical trials and registries of biologic therapies in pediatric IBD. She has authored over 50 peer reviewed publications and over 40 book chapters. Dr Griffiths has been on the steering committees of all major industry-sponsored clinical trials and registries of biologic therapies in pediatric IBD.

Dr Griffiths has been on the steering committees of all major industry-sponsored clinical trials and registries of biologic therapies in pediatric Crohn’s disease and ulcerative colitis (UC). She was the principal investigator on the development of the outcome measures for pediatric ulcerative UC (PUCAI) and disease-specific health-related quality of life in pediatric IBD (IMPACT questionnaire). She has authored over 200 peer reviewed publications and over 40 book chapters, and has lectured widely internationally on pediatric IBD.

CAG VISITING CLINICAL PROFESSORSHIP

The CAG Visiting Clinical Professorship, introduced in 2012, is offered annually to a member of the CAG who is a proven educator and an outstanding clinician with interest in clinical research. The Visiting Clinical Professors will focus on community/regional meetings and events as a priority, over academic sites. The recipient of the award is asked to visit at least six centres across Canada during the period of July 1st to June 30th. The CAG supports the cost of the air travel for the Visiting Clinical Professor while the host sites are responsible for expenses related to local travel, accommodation, meals, and any honorarium.

Announcing the 2015-2016 CAG Visiting Clinical Professor – Dr Chris Andrews

Dr Chris Andrews, University of Calgary

Dr Andrews visited seven centres during his term (London, Ottawa, Hamilton, Toronto, St John’s, Kelowna, and Halifax). This is a remarkable commitment and accomplishment. Our congratulations and thanks to Dr Andrews.

If you are interested in having Dr Huizinga or Dr Griffiths visit your centre during their term, please contact the CAG National Office at general@cag-acg.org.

Nominations for these awards can be made by any member of the CAG. To nominate a candidate please complete the nomination form for these awards found on the CAG website at www.cag-acg.org under ‘Recent Listings’. A curriculum vitae must be concurrently forwarded for these awards found on the CAG website at www.cag-acg.org under ‘Recent Listings’. A curriculum vitae must be concurrently forwarded for these awards found on the CAG website at www.cag-acg.org under ‘Recent Listings’.

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