

Faculty Awards & Honours

Governing Council Meeting, Oct. 27, 2011

FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Professor Emeritus **Michael Charles** of chemical engineering and Professors **Elizabeth Edwards** of chemical engineering, **Doug Perovic** of materials science and engineering, **David Zingg** of the Institute Aerospace Studies and **Milica Radisic** of chemical engineering were recognized by the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers and Professional Engineers Ontario with Ontario Professional Engineers Awards. Charles is the winner of the Gold Medal, Ontario's most prestigious engineering award.

Department Chair **Brenda McCabe** (Civil Engineering), as well as Professors **Kim Pressnail** (Civil Engineering) and **Ted Sargent** (Electrical and Computer Engineering), and Civil Engineering PhD candidates **Marianne Touchie** and **Ekaterina Tzekova**, have been named to the Clean50, an initiative by the Corporate Knights honouring outstanding contributors to sustainable development and clean capitalism in Canada.

FACULTY OF ARTS & SCIENCE

Dr. Amira Mittermaier, Arts & Science has been awarded the Chicago Folklore Prize for 2011. First awarded in 1928 and given to the author(s) of the best book of folklore scholarship for the year, the Chicago Folklore Prize is the oldest international award recognizing excellence in folklore scholarship. The prize is offered jointly by the American Folklore Society and the Division of Humanities of the University of Chicago.

Dr. Amira Mittermaier of religion has won the American Anthropological Association's 2011 Clifford Geertz Prize in the Anthropology of Religion for her book *Dreams that Matter: Egyptian Landscapes of the Imagination*.

Professor **Luc De Nil**, Department of Speech-Language Pathology, was elected a Fellow of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). Fellowship is one of the highest forms of recognition given by ASHA of an individual's accomplishments, and was awarded to Professor De Nil in recognition of his outstanding professional achievements.

Professor **Dwayne Miller** of the Department of Chemistry won the Royal Society of Canada's McNeil Medal, which recognizes outstanding ability to promote and communicate science to students and the public within Canada. Miller is being honoured specifically "for his dedication to the promotion of science throughout his career and as a founder of Science Rendezvous. This event provides a single voice behind which all the sciences have rallied across the nation to teach the public about the importance of science to society and to make the joys of science accessible."

Chemistry professor **Geoffrey Ozin** has won the Albert Einstein World Award of Science. Given by the World Cultural Council, the award recognizes scientific and technological research that has brought benefit to humanity.

Walid Saleh of Religion has been named “Distinguished Professor of Islamic Studies” at the University of Toronto. This award recognizes Walid’s achievements in the study of the Qur’an and its commentary literature, and his current work on comparative Islamic and Jewish commentaries.

Paul Stevens, Department of English (Canada Research Chair in English) has been awarded the Montaigne Prize by the Canadian Society for Renaissance Studies (CSRS) for his essay *Literary Studies and the Turn to Religion: Milton reading Badiou*. This essay was presented at the Social Sciences and Humanities Congress in May and is to be published in a special issue of the journal *Religion and Literature*.

Aaron Wheeler of chemistry has won the Analytical Chemistry 2011 Young Innovator Award which honours exceptional technical advancement and innovation in the field of micro- or nanofluidics achieved early on in a career.

Professor **John Zilcosky** from the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures in the Faculty of Arts and Science was elected president of the Research Committee on Literary Theory of the International Comparative Literature Association (ICLA). The ICLA is the umbrella organization for research in the field of comparative literature worldwide, and the Research Committee on Literary Theory encourages the study of literary theory through an annual international workshop, various publications and co-operation with national organizations

FACULTY OF LAW

The Faculty of Law’s Internationally Trained Lawyers Program is the recipient of a 2011 InnovAction Award, recognizing outstanding innovation in the delivery of legal services. Awarded by the College of Law Practice Management, the award demonstrates to the legal community what can happen when passionate professionals with big ideas and strong convictions resolve to create effective change. The awards will be presented Oct. 28 at a special session during the 2011 Futures Conference in Chicago.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Assistant Professor Dr. **Gary Bloch** and Assistant Professor Dr. **Sandy Buchman** from the Department of Family and Community Medicine in the Faculty of Medicine were awarded a CFPC/ OCFP 2011 Award of Excellence from The College of Family Physicians of Canada.

Professor **Abdallah S. Daar** and Dr. **Sarah Ali-Khan** of the McLaughlin-Rotman Centre for Global Health (MRC), University Health Network and University of Toronto, are the 2011 recipients of the Ontario Genomics Institute Societal Impact of Genomics Prize. This acknowledgement is in recognition of their research in genomics and race. Since the Human Genome Project was completed in 2000, there has been debate in biomedical literature about the use of race and ethnicity in genetic research potentially resulting in racial/ethnic stereotyping.

Dr. **Daniel Drucker**, Banting & Best Diabetes Centre, is the recipient of the 2012 Claude Bernard Lecture/Award of the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD). This

acknowledgement is in recognition of Dr. Drucker's leadership and outstanding contributions in the field of diabetes mellitus and is the highest scientific achievement award of the EASD.

Assistant Professor Dr. **Charlie Guiang** from the Department of Family and Community Medicine in the Faculty of Medicine was awarded the College of Family Physicians of Canada: AMS - The Mimi Divinsky Award for History and Narrative in Family Medicine. The award is intended to recognize the best narrative accounts of experiences in family medicine as submitted to the Stories in Family Medicine database each year.

Professor Patrick Gullane, chair of otolaryngology, Faculty of Medicine, will be awarded an honorary fellowship by the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, the highest honour bestowed by the college, Feb. 4, 2012. Honorary fellowship is awarded in recognition of an individual's outstanding contributions to medicine, surgery and humanity. The award will be presented at the college's annual Charter Day meeting at which Gullane has been invited to deliver a keynote lecture.

Dr. **Patrick Gullane**, chair, Department of Otolaryngology; Dr. **Amira Klip**, Department of Biochemistry; Dr. **Anthony Lang**, Department of Medicine; Dr. **Ren-Ke Li**, Department of Surgery; Dr. **James Rutka**, chair, Department of Surgery; Dr. **Vivek Goel**, Dalla Lana School of Public Health; and Dr. **Stanley Zlotkin**, Department of Pediatrics, were inducted as new fellows of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS) on Sept. 16, 2011.

Professor Emeritus Dr. **Philip Herbert, Faculty of Medicine** was awarded the Reg L. Perkin Family Physician of the Year Award from the Ontario College of Family Physicians. The award recognizes an outstanding College of Family Physicians of Canada member who exemplify the best of what being a family doctor is all about, including exceptional care of patients combined with a significant contribution to the health and well-being of communities and/or society in general.

Professor **Peter Liu** of medicine and physiology is the winner of the Canadian Cardiovascular Society's 2011 Annual Achievement Award, created in 1992 in recognition of Canadians who have made outstanding contributions during their careers in the cardiovascular field. The society is the national voice for cardiovascular physicians and scientists with a mission to promote cardiovascular health and care through knowledge translation, professional development and leadership in health policy. Liu will receive the award during the 2011 Canadian Cardiovascular Congress.

The **Office of Continuing Education and Professional Development** is one of the recipients of the 2011 Royal College Accredited CPD Provider Innovation Awards. This honour is presented to the Office of CEPD for their work in developing, implementing and managing the Event Management System (EvMS), the online submission and review process for U of T accreditation of continuing education events. This is a module within the overall event management system.

Dr. **Daniel M. Panisko** (UME Director, Department of Medicine, and Director, Master Teacher Program) is the recipient of the 2011 Canadian Society of Internal Medicine Osler Award. This annual award honours physicians in GIM who achieve excellence in clinical practice, research,

medical education or specialty development. The Master Teacher Program at the University of Toronto is a two year faculty development course aimed at providing scholarly advancement in clinical teaching.

Assistant Professor Dr. **Jane Philpott** from the Department of Family and Community Medicine in the Faculty of Medicine was awarded the Community Service Award from the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry at the University of Western Ontario. The award recognizes the tremendous accomplishments of the school's graduates in service.

Professor **Martin Schreiber**, pre-clerkship director, Department of Medicine, is the one of the 2010-2011 recipients of the Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA) Teaching and Academic Librarianship Awards. This award is presented to Professor Schreiber in recognition of his outstanding performance in teaching.

Professor **George Steiner** of medicine is the recipient of the Canadian Diabetes Association Lifetime Achievement Award. This award is presented in recognition of his devotion and dedication to his advancements in research of diabetes and related metabolic disorders. Dr. Steiner will be presented with the award on October 29th at the CDA annual meeting in Toronto.

Dr. Joshua Tepper, Department of Family & Community Medicine, will be awarded the 2011 Jan Kasperski Award from the Ontario College of Family Physicians. This award acknowledges an individual who demonstrates outstanding leadership in the area of family medicine in Ontario.

Dr. Vivek Goel, the Dalla Lana School of Public Health, is this year's recipient of the Michener Institute for Applied Health Sciences Honorary Diploma of Health Science. Michener Honorary Diplomas of Health Science are awarded to individuals who demonstrate leadership and commitment to the applied health sciences, as well as those dedicated to the advancement of applied health sciences education. Recipients are selected by Michener's Board of Governors and the honorary diploma was conferred at Michener's annual graduation ceremony on June 25, 2011.

The following staff members from the Department of Family and Community Medicine in the Faculty of Medicine were awarded University Excellence through Innovation Awards. **Elicia Ayoub, Margaret Bucknam, Natalie Gomes, Lela Sarjoo** and **Margaret Tang** for the Candidate Review Application System and **Margaret Bucknam, Lela Sarjoo** and **Margaret Tang** for Leadership in Quality Improvement in Family Medicine.

LAWRENCE S. BLOOMBERG FACULTY OF NURSING

Professor Robyn Stremler from the Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing was awarded the Young Investigator Award from the Canadian Sleep Society. The award is presented once every two years and recognizes a young scientist's early career research contributions.

U OF T SCARBOROUGH

Professor Nick Eyles of the Departments of Physical and Environmental Sciences at Scarborough and Geology, St. George, has just been awarded the 2012 Geosciences in the Media Award from the American Association of Petroleum Geologists, the world's largest professional geological society with more than 30,000 members. The award is presented for notable journalistic achievement in any medium that contributes to public understanding of geology, energy resources or the technology of oil and gas exploration.

U of T Scarborough professor **Andrew Stark**, who also teaches at the Rotman School of Management, has been granted a Fulbright Scholar Award, allowing him to spend nine months at Columbia University. He will be conducting research on U.S. intellectual property conflicts, including battles waged in the courts, legislative forums or academic and media outlets. Stark will explore these conflicts as a series of problems in philosophy.

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

The **University of Toronto**'s research community has had one of its most successful years in earning honours from the prestigious Royal Society of Canada (RSC), with 18 faculty members named Fellows and one winning a major medal (see Arts and Science for medallist).