

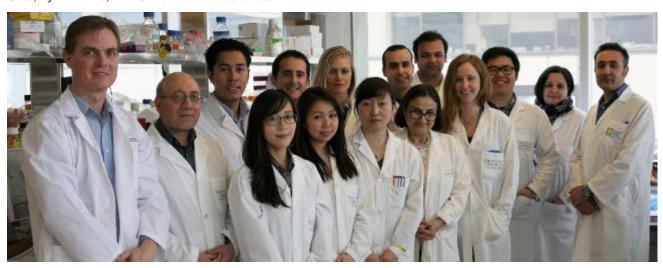
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Publications of the Week

PROFILED: An Oncofetal Glycosaminoglycan Modification Provides Therapeutic Access to Cisplatin-Resistant Bladder Cancer

Seiler, R. and Daugaard, M. et al. | European Urology UBC, Zymeworks, and GenomeDx Biosciences



Cisplatin-resistant bladder cancer overexpresses particular sugar chains compared with chemotherapy-naïve bladder cancer. Using a recombinant protein from the malaria parasite *Plasmodium falciparum*, the authors target these sugar chains, resulting in a significant antitumour effect in cisplatin-resistant bladder cancer.

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Immunogenicity of 2 vs 3 Doses of the Quadrivalent Human Papillomavirus Vaccine in Girls Aged 9 to 13 Years after 60 Months

Ogilvie, G., et al. | JAMA | UBC

Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines were originally approved with three-dose schedules. However, two doses of HPV vaccine have been recommended for girls younger than 15 years based on antibody response at 36 months. The authors report antibody response at 60 months after two doses of quadrivalent HPV vaccine.

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Phosphorylation of NEUROG3 Links Endocrine Differentiation to the Cell Cycle in Pancreatic Progenitors

Krentz, N. A. J. and Lynn, F.C., et al. | Developmental Cell UBC and BC Children's Hospital Research Institute

The authors demonstrate that progenitor cell-cycle G lengthening, through its actions on stabilization of the

proendocrine transcription factor neurogenin 3 (NEUROG3), is an essential variable in normal endocrine cell genesis. Read More

Awards Roundup

Dr. Julio Montaner, Dr. Shannon Kolind, and Dr. Michael Hayden among This Week's Winners! Read More in This Week's Awards Roundup.



Vancouver researchers won a number of grants, scholarships, and awards this week, including Dr. Julio Montaner (above), winner of the prestigious \$100,000 Killam Prize. Read More

Local Science News

New Chlamydia Drug Targets Discovered Using CRISPR and Stem Cells

Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute

Scientists at the University of British Columbia and their collaborators at the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute have created an innovative technique for studying how chlamydia interacts with the human immune system.

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Solving the Mystery: Heparin-Induced Thrombocytopenia without Heparin?

The Centre for Blood Research

Heparin is a natural anticoagulant employed in clinical treatment to reduce clotting. However, heparin use is not without consequence, as its usage can result in an auto-immune clotting disorder known as heparin-induced thrombocytopenia (HIT). Interestingly, HIT can persist even after heparin has cleared from the body – a mystery that the Centre for Blood Research researchers aimed to solve. Read More

Joint Advocacy Leads to Improved Access to Parkinson's Medication in BC

David Mowafaghian Centre for Brain Health

Jean Blake, CEO of the Parkinson's Society of British Columbia, and Dr. Martin McKeown, Director of the Pacific Parkinson's Research Centre, have been pushing for improved access to Duodopa - a Parkinson's disease drug delivery system. Read More



Whole Exome Sequencing Reveals Selective Pressures and Dominant Negative Mutations in hPSC Cultures

by Prof. Kevin Eggan and Dr. Florian Merkle







Upcoming Events in Vancouver

May 9 - 10	Intestinal Organoid In-Person	Training

STEMCELL Technologies

BC Regenerative Medicine Research Symposium May 10

University of British Columbia

May 11 Universe of the Brain

HR MacMillan Space Centre

May 13 Science Rendezvous and International Astronomy Day

Simon Fraser University

Heart & Stroke Foundation - Big Bike May 15

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