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# The Newsletter



# Message from the President

Dear Friends, Colleagues, and members of the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology - Head Neck Surgery,

I have the distinct honor and privilege of serving as your president of the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery for the coming year. I hope that this message finds you and your families well and in the process of full recovery from the recent pandemic and social isolation. It was a pleasure to see many of you at the 76<sup>th</sup> annual meeting. The meeting was a great success, with 348 delegates attending. I would like to congratulate Dr. Brian Westerberg for assembling a thought provoking and relevant meeting exploring our role in ensuring planetary health and for the exceptional invited speakers on the subject. I would also like to thank Dr. Vincent Lin, Donna Humphrey, the organizing committee, and all involved for putting on an impressive meeting that brought us all back together in the wonderful setting of Vancouver.

I look forward to seeing you all at our 77<sup>th</sup> annual meeting in Montreal from May 30th to June 3rd of 2024. You may notice from the dates that we were unable to find a proper venue for an annual meeting in the fall of 2023. The executive will be exploring the possibility of having a small in-person meeting in 2023. While there is some concern that we could lose momentum by moving our 77<sup>th</sup> annual meeting to 2024, I trust that the enthusiasm, dedication, and the like mindedness of the society members will prevail and carry us through until Montreal. The major advantage of moving the 77th annual meeting to 2024 is the recalibration of the timing of our meeting to the spring and early summer of each year. Another fortuitous advantage is that the Montreal F1 race is usually held the week after our planned meeting in Montreal which might be a desirable event for all the gearheads and car racing fanatic members of our society. Thank you to all the society members for providing your valuable input regarding the timing of our next meeting. These thoughts and suggestions were instrumental in helping us decide to move the 77<sup>th</sup> annual meeting to 2024 for the benefit of the Society.

#### Special points of interest

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This newsletter outlines all the happenings and accomplishments of our society and its membership. I would like to extend a special thank you to our membership, who are the life blood of this society. Thank you also to the executive, regional representatives, committee chairs, committees, and special interest groups for all your hard work and dedication in continually shepherding the society forward. I would also like to mention some extraordinary accomplishments and congratulate Dr. Gigi Osler for being appointed by the Prime Minister as an independent Senator of our Upper House of Canada's parliamentary democracy. The team at the Journal of Otolaryngology-HNS also deserves a special mention for further raising the profile of the Journal to the top tier of our speciality's journals with a 2-year Impact Factor of 4.856 and a five-year impact factor of 4.196. Our new ranking has made the Journal a top quartile journal of international impact.

Thank you again for the honor of serving as your Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery president. I wish you good health, happiness, success, and prosperity in the coming year.

> Hadi Seikaly President

### New Council and Committee Chairs

#### COUNCIL

**Dr. John Yoo,** London, ON (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President)

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Dr. Alex Mlynarek, Montreal, QC (Continuing Professional Development)

**Dr. Adrian Mendez,** London, ON (e-Communications)

**Dr. Janet Chung,** Toronto, ON (General Otolaryngology)

Dr. Richard Gall, Winnipeg, MB (Historian)

Dr. Jodi Jones, Winnipeg, MB (Physician Resources)

Dr. Greg Thompson, Fredericton, NB (Representative to the CMA)

**Dr. Yvonne Chan,** Toronto, ON (Scientific Program Chair)

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# Council and Committee Chairs 2022/23

#### **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

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2<sup>nd</sup> VP—*Dr. John Yoo, London, ON* (2022-23)

2<sup>nd</sup> VP Elect—TBA

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Treasurer—Dr. Paolo Campisi, Toronto, ON (2021-25)

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Newfoundland—Dr. Jamie Tibbo, St. John's (2020-24)

New Brunswick—Dr. Morgan Langille, Saint John (2020-24)

Nova Scotia—Dr. Paul Hong, Halifax (2021-25)

Prince Edward Island—Dr. Alfredo Campos, Summerside (2021-25)

Québec—Dr. Sophie Lachance, Québec (2018-23) & Dr. Mathieu Bergeron, Montréal (2020-24)

Ontario—Dr. Michael Brandt, Toronto (2018-23) & Dr. Kevin Higgins, Toronto (2019-23)

Manitoba—Dr. Darren Leitao, Winnipeg (2022-26)

Saskatchewan—Dr. Russell Murphy, Saskatoon (2022-26)

Alberta—Dr. Shamir Chandarana, Calgary (2022-26)

British Columbia—*Dr. Chris Diamond, Vancouver* (2021-25)

#### **COMMITTEES**

Awards—Dr. Danielle MacNeil, London, ON (2021-24)

Bylaws—Dr. Trina Uwiera, Edmonton, AB (2021-24)

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Collaborative Research—Dr. Trung Le, Toronto, ON (2022-25)

CPD/CME—Dr. Alex Mlynarek, Montréal, QC (2022-25)

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Ethics/Nominations—Dr. Brian Westerberg, Vancouver, BC (2022-23)

First 5-Years in Practice—Dr. Nico Moolman, Saskatoon, SK (2020-23)

General Otolaryngology—*Dr. Janet Chung, Toronto, ON* (2022-25)

Global Health—Dr. Kevin Higgins, Toronto, ON (2021-24)

Historian—Dr. Richard Gall, Winnipeg, MB (2022-25)

Industry Liaison—Dr. Dan O'Connell, Edmonton, AB (2020-23)

Physician Resources—Dr. Jodi Jones, Winnipeg, MB (2022-25)

Quality & Safety—Dr. Danny Enepekides, Toronto, ON (2020-23)

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Representative to IFOS—TBA

Representative to the Royal College—Dr. Erin Wright, Edmonton, AB (2021-2024)

Scientific Program—*Dr. Yvonne Chan, Toronto, ON* (2022-25)

Undergrad Education—Dr. Josee Paradis, London, ON & Dr. Nael Shoman, Halifax (2020-23)

Women-in-Otolaryngology—Dr. Danielle MacNeil, London, ON (2020-23)

#### SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Endocrine Surgery—Dr. Rick Payne, Montréal, QC

Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery—Dr. Michael Brandt, Toronto, ON

Canadian Association of Head and Neck Oncology (President)—*Dr. John Yoo, London, ON* Laryngology—*Dr. Karen Kost, Montréal*, QC

Otology/Cochlear Implants—*Dr. Alan Ho, Edmonton, AB & Dr. David Morris, Halifax, NS* 

Pediatric Otolaryngology—*Dr. Jeffery Yeung, Montréal, QC* Rhinology—*Dr. Chris Chin, Saint John, NB & Dr. Leigh Sowerby, London, ON* 

Sleep Surgery—Dr. Brian Rotenberg, London, ON & Dr. Jason Chau, Calgary, AB

Our sincerest thanks to all those individuals who volunteer their time and expertise to the Society.



A special thank-you to the members of the Royal College Examining Board and the Collège des Médecins du Québec for their work and dedication to Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.

#### Senate of Canada

The Senate is the Upper House of Canada's Parliament. Its 105 members are appointed and hold their seats until age 75. The purpose is to consider and revise legislation; investigate national issues; and most crucially according to the Constitution, give the regions of Canada an equal voice in Parliament.

Senators are appointed by the governor general on the advice of the prime minister.

The Senate chamber is located on the eastern end of Parliament's Centre Block. It is adorned in royal red, versus the green of the House of Commons. It is where senators meet and debate, and where the Canadian sovereign or their representative the governor general addresses Parliament and delivers the Speech from the Throne at the beginning of every new session of Parliament.

The chamber is an impressive hall from an architectural and interior design standpoint. It has intricately carved oak panelling and two massive bronze chandeliers. A marble bust of Queen Victoria, Canada's monarch at the time of Confederation, surveys the chamber from above the speaker's chair. Eight huge oil paintings on the main walls of the chamber depict scenes of Canadian sacrifices during the First World War.



# Dr. F. Gigi Osler Appointed to the Canadian Senate

It is with great pleasure that we announce the appointment of Flordeliz (Gigi) Osler to the Senate of Canada.

Senator Osler is a renowned otolaryngologist-head & neck surgeon from Manito-ba. Born in Winnipeg to two immigrant parents from the Philippines and India, she became the first racialized woman and first female surgeon elected president of the Canadian Medical Association in 2018. She has also been president of the Federation of Medical Women of Canada, chair of the Canadian Medical Forum, and co-chair of the Virtual Care Task Force.

Dr. Osler is a long-standing member of the CSO-HNS who has held numerous position on the executive committee and council. She has served as a role model, research supervisor and mentor for Filipino and other racialized medical students in Manitoba and across Canada, including within the Filipino Association of Medical Students in Manitoba. She is also the recipient of many honours and awards, including the University of Manitoba Distinguished Alumni Award and the Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada May Cohen Equity, Diversity and Gender Award. She has been named as a Women's Executive Network (WXN) 2019 Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Award Winner and to the Medical Post's 2021 Power List. Dr. Osler was also inducted into the Government of Canada's Women of Impact in Canada online gallery in 2022.

We wish Dr. Osler the very best in this new chapter of her career!

Video of the swearing in on October 18, 2022



Photo: Senator <u>F. Gigi Osler</u>, centre, poses outside the Senate Chamber ahead of her swearing-in ceremony on October 18, 2022. Also pictured are senators <u>Marc Gold</u>, the Representative of the Government in the Senate, and <u>Mary Jane McCallum</u>

### Did You Attend the 76th CSO-HNS Annual Meeting?

October 1—3, 2022 "Planetary Health—Changing the Way We Operate"

#### Session Evaluations and Certificates of Attendance

If you attended the Vancouver meeting in October, you will have received a personalized link to obtain your *Certificate of Attendance*. Click on your link, indicate and evaluate the sessions you attended and your certificate of attendance will be automatically generated. You can print or save it.

We appreciate you taking the time to complete the session evaluations. Your feedback helps the organizers and speakers create more impactful presentations and provides the next Planning Committee with ideas for future annual meetings.

If you attended the conference but did not receive your link, please contact Kim lverson at <a href="mailto:entropy.con">entropy.con</a> entcanada2@csohns.org



# With Much Appreciation!

The CSO-HNS would like to thank all council and committee chairs who have completed their terms of office. We are grateful for their time and expertise. Without our volunteers, the Society could not function!

#### Council

**Dr. F. Gigi Osler**, Winnipeg, MB (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President)

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Dr. Ian Witterick, Toronto, ON (Ethics / Nominations)

Dr. Vincent Lin, Toronto, ON (Scientific Program)

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Dr. F. Gigi Osler, Winnipeg, MB (Representative to IFOS)

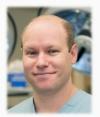
Dr. Tony Eskander, Toronto, ON (Collaborative Research)



#### JOURNAL OF OTOLARYNGOLOGY -HEAD & NECK SURGERY



Doug Chepeha, Toronto, ON



Brian Rotenberg, London, ON

#### **Most Reviews for 2022**



**Dr. Matt Rigby**Dalhousie University

# Journal of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery

Dr. Douglas Chepeha, Toronto, ON Dr. Brian Rotenberg, London, ON Co-Editors-in-Chief

The Journal of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery continues to grow with our new impact factor of 4.856 and top quartile ranking among otolaryngology journals. Our associate editors and social media team are the core of the Journal, and we sincerely thank them for the sustained excellence in all their work as part of our team.

Our top quartile ranking was supported by COVID publications during the pandemic and the consensus statements in the area of rhinology. The Journal will continue to stress acceptances of only high quality research with sound methodology and high citation probability. As part of this mission, we have made the difficult decision to stop accepting case reports. In the past few years the Journal has had over 300 case report submissions, with less than 10% published and none cited more than once. Case reports do not support the Journal's impact factor and scientific mission, and therefore, in consultation with both the publisher and the CSO-HNS council determined that the Journal does not benefit from publishing them. As a result, we will stop accepting them. Please contact the editors directly if you have any questions about this. Also, we would like to specifically acknowledge Dr. Matt Rigby, our outgoing case report associate editor who's many years of tireless service supported our publication. He had the integrity to provide personalized reviews for all the case report submissions. Although we have thanked the outgoing associate editors in our last newsletter, we would again like to acknowledge both Maggie Aron and Dan O'Connell for their dedication and work.

Along with the Journal's growth has come increased paper submissions, and with more submissions comes the need for more reviewers. Although we now have a number of international associate editors on the board, the majority of AEs and reviewers remain Canadian. We need more people to review for the Journal, and encourage you to contact Donna Humphrey directly if you are interested in being added to the reviewer database. Here are five good reasons to be a reviewer for the Journal:

- 1) Helps you be part of the research and publishing community; this is an honour and privilege.
- 2) Allows you to "pay it forward" for those times when you submitted your own papers for review.
- 3) Makes you a better author and researcher.
- 4) Earns you 15 section 2 Royal College CME credits per year.
- You will be recognized for your valuable contribution annually at the CSO-HNS annual meeting.

We are introducing EQUATOR network guidelines for submissions —<a href="https://www.equator-network.org/">https://www.equator-network.org/</a>. Simply go to this website and locate your submission type and follow the guidelines. You can activate a checklist with the following link—<a href="https://www.penelope.ai/get-the-equator-wizard">https://www.penelope.ai/get-the-equator-wizard</a>. Once you have gone through the checklist, you can download a Word document to show you have completed the checklist. This is not required but does help our reviewers.

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We will be looking at formalizing our abstract guidelines, so if you have thoughts on this, please contact us.

Thank-you again for your commitment to the Society's publication.

Dr. Douglas Chepeha & Dr. Brian Rotenberg

# 2022 Top Reviewers

Dr. Matt Rigby, Halifax, NS (10 manuscripts)

Dr. Morgan Langille, Saint John, NB (8 manuscripts)

Dr. David Forner, Halifax, NS (7 manuscripts)

**Dr. Peter Horwich**, Charleston, SC (7 manuscripts)

Dr. Jessica M. Clark, Edmonton, AB (6 manuscripts)

Dr. Rick Balys, Bedford, NS (6 manuscripts)

Our sincerest thanks to  $\underline{all}$  our reviewers. Your time and expertise is greatly appreciated!

## Welcome New Journal Team Members

#### **Associate Editors**



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Frederick K. Kozak, Guest of Honour



Manohar Bance, Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient



Melvin Schloss, Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient

# 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting October 1—3, 2022

"Planetary Health-Changing the Way We Operate"



Elder Francois Paulette, Guest Speaker



David Suzuki, Keynote Speaker & Brian Westerberg, President



David Suzuki, Keynote Speaker



Andrea MacNeill, Guest Speaker



2022 Poliquin Award Winners: (left-right) John JW Lee, Chris Noel, Alexander Clark & Sena Turkdogan Awards Committee Chair: (far right) Danielle MacNeil



(left-right) Yvonne Chan, Marc Tewfik, Andrew Thamboo, Justin Khetani

# 76th Annual President's Dinner



(top left-right) Trina Viallet, Adrian Gooi, Magdalena Kujath (bottom left-right) Norbert Viallet, Darren Leitao, Donna Sutherland, Erica Sutherland



(left-right) Janet-Schultze-Jones, Jeff Jones, Karen Corsten, Marty Corsten, Scott Kohlert, Claire Kohlert



(top left-right) Ian Witterick, Gigi Osler, Danielle MacNeil (bottom left-right) Danuta Skowronski, Brian Westerberg, Andrea MacNeill, Jane Lea



(top left-right) Annie Lapointe, Issam Saliba, Apostolos Christopoulos, David Allin (bottom left-right) Marie-Jo Olivier, Carolanne Gagnon, Eve Sedillot, Russell Schwartz





Danuta Skowronski & Brian Westerberg, President



Hadi Seikaly, Incoming President



(left to right) Jeff Jones, Janet Schultz-Jones, Lorne Parnes



Alexander Clark, Halifax, NS



Sena Turkdogan, Montréal, QC



Christopher Noel, Toronto, ON



John JW Lee, Toronto, ON



Edith Corriveau-Parenteau, Montréal. OC

#### 2022 Awards

Dr. Danielle MacNeil, London, ON Awards Committee Chair

The Society would like to extend congratulations to all this year's awards winners—

#### 2022 POLIQUIN RESIDENT RESEARCH COMPETITION

#### **Outstanding Research Award Winner**



Dr. Alexander Clark, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS

"The Need for Tympanostomy Tubes in Children with Recurrent Acute Otitis Media Without Middle Ear Effusion"

#### **Research Award Winners**

Dr. Sena Turkdogan, McGill University, Montréal, QC

"Effect of Perioperative Patient Education via Animated Videos in Patients Undergoing Head and Neck Surgery; A Randomized Clinical Trial"

Dr. Christopher Noel, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

"Development and Validation of a Machine Learning Algorithm Predicting Emergency Department Use and Unplanned Hospitalization in Patients with Head and Neck Cancer"

Dr. John JW Lee, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

"Cigarette Smoking Cessation, Duration of Smoking Abstinence, and Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma Prognosis"

#### 2022 e-POSTER PRIZE

#### **First Prize**



E. Corriveau-Parenteau, S. Turkdogan, V.I. Forest, S.D. Da Silva, M. Pusztaszeri, M.P. Hier, K. Richardson, N. Sadeghi, R.J. Payne, Montréal, QC

"Clinical Experience of Cytologically Indeterminate Thyroid Nodules (Bethesda III and IV) Designated as Negative on Molecular Testing Using ThyroSeq v3: A Retrospective Cohort Study"

#### **Honourable Mentions**

Y.J. Du, R. Fu, J. Levinsky, P. Kamalraj, K. Chan, A. Parmar, A. Eskander, M. Smoragiewicz, Toronto, ON

"Nivolumab for Recurrent or Metastatic Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma: A Tertiary Single Centre Real-world Experience"

A. Patel, P. Suryavanshi, E. Madou, A. Dzioba, J. Strychowsky, London, ON, A. Hu, Vancouver, BC, Y. Chan, Toronto, ON, M.E. Graham, London, ON

"Exploring Diversity in Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery Journal Editorial Boards"

# 2022/2023 Canadian Fellowship Awards

Dr. Dan O'Connell, Edmonton, AB Fellowship Committee Chair

Congratulations to Dr. Jennifer Siu and Dr. Sena Turkdogan the recipients of this year's COHNS Fund Canadian Fellowship Awards.

#### Dr. Sena Turkdogan, McGill University, Montréal, QC

Head & Neck Surgical Oncology / Reconstruction—University of British Columbia

Dr. Turkdogan will be working under the supervision of fellowship director Dr. Eitan Prisman and the rest of the UBC head and neck oncology team while also integrating herself into their surgical research lab. Specific surgical and research interests include 3D virtual surgical planning for bony reconstruction, deescalating treatments for low-risk oropharyngeal cancers, novel approaches to treatment of cutaneous malignancies including melanoma, and patient surgical education for quality improvement.

#### Dr. Jennifer Siu, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

Pediatric Otolaryngology—Seattle Children's Hospital,

Dr. Siu will be doing a pediatric otolaryngology fellowship at Seattle Children's Hospital. Her interests include open airway surgery, head & neck masses, and disorders of the aerodigestive tract.

Seattle Children's Hospital Fellowship's program provides broad clinical training in pediatric otolaryngology. Faculty members have expertise in managing patients with airway obstruction, aerodigestive issues, chronic ear disease, aural atresia, deafness/hearing loss, cleft palate and craniofacial anomalies, velopharyngeal dysfunction, vascular anomalies, sleep disorders, obstructive sleep apnea, sinus disease, head and neck tumors, thyroid issues, microtia and voice disorders.

#### 2023 Call for Applications - Deadline February 28, 2023

Two (2) undesignated fellowship grants, up to \$25,000 each, will be available (contingent on the Fund's capacity).

In addition to Canadian graduates doing fellowships at Canadian centres, consideration for funding will also be given to applications from those candidates going abroad to do their training and foreign graduates accepted for training at Canadian institutions.

Important to note that all supporting documents MUST be submitted electronically by the application deadline date. NO HARD COPIES will be accepted.

To read the full instructions and download the application form visit: <a href="https://www.entcanada.org/fellowships-awards/awards-grants/canadian-fellowship-program/">https://www.entcanada.org/fellowships-awards/awards-grants/canadian-fellowship-program/</a>

#### 2022/2023 Fellowships



Sena Turkdogan, Montréal, QC



Jennifer Siu. Toronto. ON

# CSO-HNS Planetary Health

Working Toward Net Zero at the 2022 Annual Meeting

Under the direction of Dr. Brian Westerberg, the CSO-HNS took its first steps toward organizing a carbon neutral and environmentally sustainable annual meeting in Vancouver this fall. The guest speakers, all experts in environmental sustainability and climate change, educated our meeting attendees on tangible ways to lessen our carbon footprint both professionally and personally.

The introduction of a carbon capture option at the time of registration gave delegates the opportunity to purchase carbon offsets for their flights. Through this program as well as other efforts, we managed to save 89.54 metric tons of CO2 emissions that otherwise would have been released into the atmosphere and allowed us to contribute \$4,239 to three well-established carbon capture projects in the country. Thank-you to all the delegates, corporate sponsors and exhibitors for their support.

The meeting venue, the Westin Bayshore Hotel, took our sustainability challenge seriously and incorporated numerous green practices and efficiencies into their daily operations. <u>Click here</u> to see all the details.

Our other green initiatives included going paperless (or almost) at the registration desk, eliminating the shipping of registration and meeting materials, using recyclable and compostable cardboard and paper for signage and name badges, and choosing more meatless and locally sourced meals for the various food and beverage events.

By using the Vancouver meeting as our benchmark, we plan to build on this beginning with the ultimate objective to host carbon neutral and environmentally sustainable events.



The CSO-HNS' first *Corporate Social Responsibility Award* was presented in Vancouver this year. Congratulation goes to **Smith and Nephew Inc.**, for presenting the best submission to our review committee. It was encouraging to receive four applications from attending companies and we look forward to seeing this initiative grow in the coming years. For more details about the award please <u>click here</u>.

We would like to encourage members to apply for the *Individual Social Responsibility Award*. Applications from the general membership will be reviewed each year and a recipient announced at the annual meeting. The winner will be recognized on a published list on the Society's website that ranks the top 5-individuals. They will also receive a 20% discount on the normal price for registration at the next CSO-HNS annual meeting. For complete details on how to apply please <u>click here</u>.



Winners of the 1<sup>st</sup> CSO-HNS Corporate Social Responsibility Award— **Smith & Nephew Inc.** (left-right) Leo Van Damme, Erin Bruggeman

# CSO-HNS New Co-opted Member of CEORL-HNS

We are pleased to announce that the Confederation of European Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery has accepted the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery as a Co-opted Member under the terms agreed upon during the General Assembly held in Milan on October 31, 2022. (https://www.ceorlhns.org/members/co-opted-societies)

We will have the opportunity to upload events and relevant CSO-HNS news to the Confederation's website, participate in the advisory board meeting held once a year, be present at the Confederation Society village during their Congresses and send one representative to the General Assembly (no voting rights).

We look forward to a friendly and productive relationship between our societies!



# Upcoming Society Positions for 2023/24

The following positions are open for nominations—

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President-Elect
- Regional Representative for Ontario and Quebec
- First 5-years in Practice Committee Chair
- Industry Liaison
- Quality and Safety Committee Chair
- Resident Representative
- Representative to IFOS
- Undergraduate Medical Education Committee Chair
- Women-in-Otolaryngology Committee Chair
- Scientific Program Committee Chair

Positions will be decided during the business meeting at the next Annual Business Meeting. Interested individuals should send a CV along with a letter explaining why they would be right for the position. Submissions can be emailed, faxed or mailed to: Dr. Brian Westerberg, Nominating Committee Chair, c/o CSOHNS, 68 Gilkison Street, ELORA, ON NOB 1SO, Tel: 519-846-0630 Email: <a href="mailto:entcanada@csohns.org">entcanada@csohns.org</a>



To visit the CEORL-HNS website go to www.ceorlhns.org



# Dr. Elena O'Connell Memorial Fund Recipients



Amanda Hu, Vancouver, BC



Elise Graham, London, ON



Yvonne Chan, Toronto, ON

# Canadian Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery Fund Update

#### Thank-you to Our Donors

Many thanks to all the members of the Society who have generously donated to the Fund this year. The importance of your support cannot be overstated in an economic climate where sustained corporate sponsorship has proven to be difficult to secure. Your gifts are truly appreciated and valued.

#### **Sponsored Activities**

#### Dr. Elena O'Connell Memorial Fund Award

We are pleased to announce that the first co-winners of the *Dr. Elena O'Connell Memorial Fund Award* are Dr. Amanda Hu of Vancouver and the team of Dr. Elise Graham, London, ON and Dr. Yvonne Chan, Toronto, ON.

Dr. Hu is a clinical associate professor and laryngologist at the University of British Columbia. She will be conducting a mixed methods study, including both quantitative and qualitative methods, to explore how female otolaryngologists manage gender bias in the workplace. We look forward to reading about her research.

Drs. Chan and Graham will be partnering with the Ontario Medical Association for this study. It is a two-part examination of the gender pay gap within otolar-yngology-head and neck surgery. Using de-identified fee-for-service billing data along with physician demographics, the goal is to quantify differences in remuneration by gender. Previous studies suggest the gap may be up to 10%, when controlling for multiple factors including time worked. The second part of the study will assess for biases in referral patterns based on gender of both referring and consulting physicians. It is hoped that the information from this study can be used to inform policies to increase equity in pay and referral practices regardless of gender. We are grateful to be recipients of this generous inaugural award and look forward to sharing our results with the Society.

A special note of appreciation goes to Dr. Dan O'Connell and his family for initiating this fund with their annual donation of \$10,000. It will support women-in-otolaryngology professional educational activities under the direction of Dr. Danielle MacNeil, WIO Chair.

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#### DR. ROLAND BUEHRLE, 1944—2022

It is with great regret that we inform you of the passing of Dr. Roland Buehrle on May 5, 2022 in Waterloo, ON at the age of 78.

He was certified by the Royal College in Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery in 1974. Dr. Buehrle obtained his medical degree at the University of Toronto in 1969. He will be remembered as a well-respected doctor and a wonderful employer and colleague. He will be missed by his family and friends.



Dear members of the CSO-HNS,

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Dr. Warren Yunker on November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Warren was incredibly valued, highly skilled, empathetic, and kind pediatric otolaryngologist. The entire Calgary Division of Otolaryngology mourns his loss and shares grief with his wife, Dr. Rebecca Sparkes and their two sons. We also extend our condolences to the members of the CSO-HNS; many of you had the good fortune of spending time with Warren—this loss will reverberate nationwide.

Warren attended medical school at the University of Alberta where he also completed a PhD in cell biology and physiology. He went on to complete an otolaryngology residency at the University of Calgary before pursuing pediatric subspecialty training at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas. He joined the Department of Surgery and the Alberta Children's Hospital in 2011.

Until recently, he was the director of the otolaryngology residency program, supervising research students and contributing to continuing medical education events. He was also recognized internationally for his research contributions through an invitation to join the American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngologists. Warren was the site lead for pediatric otolaryngology at the Alberta Children's Hospital (ACH) and served as president of the Medical Staff Association at the ACH. His valuable contributions were honoured earlier this month when he received the 2022 Distinguished Service Award for the Alberta Children's Hospital.

Those close to him were aware that Warren had been living with a progressive neurological disease that ended his surgical and medical career. He faced this diagnosis with strength and perseverance, but the toll the disease took on his physical and mental health was ultimately overwhelming. Despite incredible support from his family and colleagues, Warren took his own life.

Warren was highly respected by his colleagues. He was a passionate advocate for patients and their access to excellent surgical care. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him. His family has expressed their gratitude for the outpouring of support. His legacy will live on in his two sons who have inherited his best attributes.



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Please take some time to reflect on Warren's life and the impact he had on the lives of those he touched. He represented the very best of all of us. His full obituary can be found here: <a href="https://mhfh.com/tribute/details/38517/Dr-Warren-Yunker/obituary.html">https://mhfh.com/tribute/details/38517/Dr-Warren-Yunker/obituary.html</a>. Instructions on how to make a donation in Warren's honour can also be found on this site.

With warmest regards, Shamir Chandarana on behalf of the division of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery

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