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Inductees

The Late Stephen Blizzard, MD | Ottawa, ON

Elaine Carty, CM OBC MSN CNM | Vancouver, BC

Carol Herbert, CM MD | Vancouver, BC and London, ON

Jean-Lucien Rouleau, CM MD | Montréal, QC

Nahum Sonenberg, OC PhD | Montréal, QC

Samuel Weiss, PhD | Calgary, AB

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Advanced technologies, such as aviation, create unique health challenges. **Stephen Blizzard, MD**, himself a military pilot, developed standards and practices in aviation and aerospace medicine still used today, including publications such as *Flight Times and Flight Duty Times in Canada*, and the globally used *Patient Care in Flight*, covering pilot fatigue, jet lag, and inflight care. As an active-duty officer, Dr. Blizzard served in Operation Magnet mission, airlifting Vietnamese refugees to Canada, the United Nations Peacekeeping mission in Egypt, and as an advisor to the Air Force in Zimbabwe. A first-generation Black Canadian, and with the integral work and support of his wife Merle, Dr. Blizzard overcame systemic racism to become a pilot, physician, and decorated peacekeeper, serving as President of the International Civil Aviation Medical Association, the Canadian Society of Aerospace Medicine, and the Canadian Aerospace Medicine and Aeromedical Transport Association. He served with the NATO Advisory Group on Aerospace Research and Development and became a member of the prestigious International Academy of Aviation and Space Medicine. His courageous legacy lives on in such awards as the Dr. Stephen Blizzard Trailblazer Award.



The restoration and recognition of midwifery as an important component of modern health care, which the WHO now considers essential to achieving improved maternal health and reduced infant mortality worldwide, has been the work of courageous pioneers in many nations. In Canada, **Elaine Carty, MSN CNM** has been instrumental in establishing the evidentiary basis for expanded childbirth services, bringing midwifery into the mainstream, and ensuring that childbearing families have access to safe and effective care. Working as a university-based nurse midwife, Ms. Carty helped erode structural and attitudinal barriers to legitimizing the profession, contributing to the legalization of midwifery in British Columbia in 1998, and serving as founding director of midwifery education at the University of British Columbia. She is widely recognized as a primary leader in creating the scientific foundation for the legislative and regulatory frameworks allowing professional practice of midwifery in Canada today. Establishing free clinics, researching optimal timing of postpartum hospital discharge, organizing collaborative study of safety issues for natural birth and home delivery, including for women with disabilities, and integrating arts and humanities into midwifery curricula, Elaine Carty has helped secure nationwide acceptance of professional midwifery.



Provision of equitable and effective publicly funded health care is a pressing challenge of our time. **Carol Herbert, MD** was a pioneer in addressing social determinants of health by developing services for victims of sexual assault, both adults and children, and delivering community-based health care. Vancouver's Sexual Assault Service, in continuous operation since 1981, was the first dedicated service of its kind in Canada. A passionate advocate for social justice, her integrated interdisciplinary research and practice embrace family violence and sexual assault; clinical health promotion and patient-physician decision-making; participatory research on ecosystem health issues in aboriginal communities, and health care and health professional education as complex adaptive systems. She is internationally known and honoured for her leadership in primary care research and for her innovations in health care education, notably as Dean of Medicine & Dentistry at the University of Western Ontario. Mentor to a multitude of individuals, recipient of numerous awards, author of important guidelines for participatory research in health promotion, member and fellow of many boards and institutes, Dr. Herbert has championed physician advocacy, citizen participation in health care and improved access for underserved and marginalized populations.



Jean-Lucien Rouleau, MD has been recognized worldwide for his transformative contributions to cardiology, including translational scientific work in ventricular function, post-infarction ventricular remodelling, and neurohormonal activation. His leadership in clinical research culminated in the development of the life-saving medication sacubitril/valsartan, now routinely used to treat patients with chronic heart failure. As Director of the Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health, Dr. Rouleau laid the groundwork for the Strategy for Patient Oriented Research (SPOR), and helped establish networks focusing on respiration, sleep and circadian rhythm, stroke, atrial fibrillation, vascular health and coagulation. As Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Université de Montréal, he initiated development of a delocalized campus that resolved the lack of needed health care professionals in an underserved region; and championed the development of a patient-partner-public approach to health care education. As a researcher, author, educator, and administrator, Dr. Rouleau has made lasting contributions ranging from medications to health care networks, from medical facilities to improved medical policies and practices. His ongoing service to the cause of accessible and effective public health care now includes a five-year, multi-million dollar grant to lead a nationwide Canada Heart Failure Network.



Improvements in medical care are increasingly dependent on discoveries of basic research. **Nahum Sonenberg, PhD**, one of Canada's preeminent biomedical scientists, has advanced our understanding of viruses, cancer growth and development, memory and cognition, synaptic plasticity, spatial learning, and autism spectrum disorders. The common element in this diversity is Dr. Sonenberg's insight into the mechanisms of deciphering genetic information to produce proteins, a process known as messenger RNA translation. Dr. Sonenberg's discovery of eIF4E, the protein that binds mRNA and recruits it to the ribosome to commence translation was a landmark event helping unravel the mechanisms controlling the rate of protein synthesis, the foundation of the modern field of translational control. Dr. Sonenberg has said, "What attracted me to the field was that the nature of proteins and everything that follows—our behaviour, our wellbeing, everything—is dictated by genes." From Dr. Sonenberg's insights into genetic functioning, new drug compounds and therapies continue to be developed. A celebrated scientist of world reputation, Dr. Sonenberg has helped realize the health enhancing potential of biochemistry and molecular biology research.



Genuine revolutions in science are rare. The acceptance of adult neurogenesis is one of these, recognition that the central nervous system of mammals contains neural stem cells capable of replicating normal cell types, including neurons. **Samuel Weiss, PhD**, demonstrated this in experiments with mice in 1992. His discovery of the metabotropic glutamate receptor remains a defining moment in establishing neurogenesis research as a pathway to exploring treatments for Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, stroke, ALS, and multiple sclerosis through neurological repair. Since then, Dr. Weiss has contributed to our understanding of the importance of neural stem cell research in connection with tumour biology, remyelination mechanisms in pregnancy, and even aspects of interpersonal and social behavior. The scope of these achievements extends from medical science to conceptions of mind and human development, from pessimistic degenerative determinism to possibilities of ongoing regenerative development and repair. Dr. Weiss' directorships at the Hotchkiss Brain Institute of the University of Calgary and the CIHR Institute of Neurosciences, Mental Health and Addiction has advanced neuroscientific research worldwide. His work has furthered a fundamental revolution in our understanding of the mechanism of life.



2022 Inductees

The Dalhousie University Faculty of Medicine welcomes Canada to Halifax, Nova Scotia for the 2023 Canadian Medical Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

Annually the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame recognizes six individuals whose extraordinary contributions to health care or health research have made our country, and the world, a better place.

The Inductees are honoured at a prestigious ceremony held in cities across Canada in association with medical schools.

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The Evening:	The Induction Ceremony includes a reception, dinner and awards presentation. The impact of the Inductees and Halifax's vibrant health sciences sector are showcased through short tribute videos.
The Audience:	500 + guests from Halifax and across Canada including local and national academic, health and business leaders, medical students and residents
Tickets:	Sponsored tables of eight and ten and individual tickets available
Location and Time:	Halifax Convention Centre, Halifax NS 5:00 pm: Reception 6:00 pm: Formal Dinner & Award Presentation
Dress Code:	Formal (Black-tie optional)

About the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame

The Canadian Medical Hall of Fame (CMHF) celebrates Canadian heroes whose work advances health in Canada and the world and fosters future generations of health professionals through the delivery of local and national youth education programs and awards. This enduring tribute to our country's rich medical history is showcased on a virtual hall at www.cdnmedhall.ca

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Their work may be a single meritorious contribution or a lifetime of superior accomplishments. Pioneers in their field, they are role models who inspire young Canadians to pursue careers in the health sciences.

Laureates include worthy nominees from a variety of disciplines and from many professions and roles including doctors, researchers, nurses, dentists, pharmacists, policy makers - to name only a few. Nominations of Canadians, living or posthumous, who meet the criteria from the many aspects of health are encouraged.

Up to six individuals may be selected for induction annually; only one individual may be inducted posthumously each year.

Canadian citizens from across health professions within Canada and across the globe may be recognized for their work in one or more of the following categories:

- **Leadership in building excellence in health for Canadians and the world**
- **Leadership in health promotion, illness prevention and care**
- **Leadership in research with national and international recognition for a scientific contribution**