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Induction Ceremony

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This Year's Inductees

Pavel Hamet, CM OQ OM MD PhD | Montreal, QC

Robert Alexander Hegele, MD | London, ON

Michael D. Hill, OC MD | Calgary, AB

Mary R. L'Abbé, CM PhD | Toronto, ON

Morag Park, CQ PhD | Montreal, QC

Bernard Zinman, OC MDCM | Toronto, ON



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Pavel Hamet, MD, PhD, has studied the interactions between genetics and environment in complex diseases like hypertension and diabetes for over 50 years. Born in Czechia, he earned his MD from Charles University in Prague before coming to Canada in 1967 to pursue his PhD at McGill University and specialize in Endocrinology at Université de Montréal (UdeM). Since becoming a full Professor of Medicine at UdeM in 1983, Dr. Hamet has achieved numerous scientific breakthroughs, including identifying the genetic basis for increased sensitivity to environmental stress and accelerated aging of the vascular system in hypertension. His focus on hypertension, which affects more than 1.3 billion adults today, exemplifies his dedication to improving patient outcomes on a global scale. His diabetes research has been equally influential, contributing to diabetes self-management, insulin pump use, and genomic tests to predict diabetes-related complications. Dr. Hamet's leadership roles include founding and directing the Centre de recherche du Centre hospitalier de l'UdeM (CRCHUM) from 1990 to 2006, and co-founding CARTaGENE, a population-based biobank advancing personalized medicine. A respected leader in scientific and clinical domains, Dr. Hamet has received over 70 awards for his contributions to detecting, preventing, and treating complex metabolic and endocrine diseases.



Dyslipidemia, or elevated levels of blood fats such as cholesterol and triglycerides (lipids), can increase the risk of heart attacks, strokes, and other serious health issues. **Robert Hegele, MD**, is a world leader in the clinical management and research of lipid disorders, which represent a significant and often undertreated public health problem. His career integrates cutting-edge science with real-world applications grounded in patient care. A Distinguished University Professor of Medicine and Biochemistry at Western University and Director of the London Regional Genomics Centre at Robarts Research Institute, Dr. Hegele has discovered genetic causes for several rare conditions, including hepatic lipase deficiency and familial partial lipodystrophy types 2 and 3. In addition to his innovative research, Dr. Hegele has been instrumental in translating this research into practical diagnostic platforms and therapies that directly benefit patients. Notably, he helped to develop LipidSeq, a next-generation DNA sequencing panel that has become a standard of care for thousands of patients in Ontario. Dr. Hegele has transformed our understanding and management of genetic dyslipidemias, a contribution reflected in over 1,000 peer-reviewed publications and numerous prestigious awards.



An esteemed neurologist, professor, and clinical epidemiologist at the University of Calgary, **Michael D. Hill, MD**, is internationally recognized for his pioneering contributions to stroke treatment. His novel clinical trials and research have set new standards for effective care and treatment of strokes, 85% of which are ischemic. Among his many achievements, Dr. Hill co-led the groundbreaking ESCAPE trial, demonstrating the effectiveness of endovascular thrombectomy (EVT) for removing large blood clots that cause the most severe ischemic strokes. This pivotal study reshaped therapeutic outcomes, as it showed that the use of EVT drastically reduced stroke-related disability and death. Since its publication in 2015, the ESCAPE study has informed clinical guidelines globally. The implementation of its results has changed the lives of millions of patients. Beyond his research, Dr. Hill is a prolific clinician-scientist, lecturer, and mentor, having supervised more than 150 students and fellows who have gone on to advance stroke care in other provinces and countries. Through his focus on innovative, patient-centred research and care, Dr. Hill has revolutionized the treatment of ischemic stroke, advancing the field of neurology and offering new hope for stroke patients of all ages.



"To stem Canada's epidemic of chronic disease, we must shift our focus from treatment to prevention." These words from **Mary L'Abbé, PhD**, capture her commitment to improving public health from its most critical foundation: our food environment. Dr. L'Abbé has worked tirelessly to optimize nutrition policy and food supply chains in Canada and internationally. She began her career as a research scientist at Health Canada, later becoming Director of the Bureau of Nutritional Sciences. In this latter role, she guided research, surveillance, and regulations that ensured the quality of Canadians' food supply. Dr. L'Abbé's novel research and inspiring leadership led to important policies that are now recognized as some of the best nutrition-advancing measures worldwide. These include initiatives to reduce dietary sodium, limit trans fats, and mandate clearer food labelling. Since her move to the University of Toronto, one of Dr. L'Abbé's most significant contributions has been the Food Label Information and Price (FLIP) database, a comprehensive tool used to monitor food environments and inform policy in nearly 20 countries. Dr. L'Abbé has also chaired or participated on countless expert committees for international organizations like the World Health Organization, where she continues to empower consumers to make healthier choices.



Why do certain cells turn cancerous? **Morag Park, PhD**, has devoted her career to answering this question. An internationally recognized leader at McGill's Goodman Cancer Institute, Dr. Park has illuminated the molecular basis of human cancer, especially breast cancer. Early in her career, she discovered and characterized the MET gene, frequently altered in solid tumours and a key driver of tumour growth and metastasis. Her insights into MET's role in progression helped pave the way for precision therapies that improve patient care. Dr. Park was instrumental in establishing one of Quebec's first breast cancer biobanks at the McGill University Health Centre. Using this resource, she revealed the critical roles of the tumour stroma and immune microenvironment in breast cancer progression, discoveries now integrated into clinical practice. Patient-derived tumour models from the biobank enable research on why individuals respond differently to therapies, advancing precision oncology. Beyond her laboratory, Dr. Park has strengthened the cancer research community by leading large multidisciplinary teams and shaping national strategy. As a Chair of the Canadian Cancer Research Alliance, she oversaw the first Pan-Canadian Cancer Research Strategic Plan, leaving a lasting impact on cancer research in Canada and beyond.



Bernard Zinman, MDCM, is a celebrated clinician scientist whose four decades of contributions have transformed the management of both type 1 and type 2 diabetes. As a staggering 10% of Canadians live with diagnosed diabetes, Dr. Zinman's research on treating this disease and preventing related complications has helped countless patients and their families. He was a lead investigator in the landmark DCCT/EDIC trial, which definitively established the role of intensive diabetes control as the new worldwide standard for reducing the long-term disabling complications of type 1 diabetes. Dr. Zinman also led the EMPA-REG OUTCOME trial. This study marked a paradigm shift in type 2 diabetes care by demonstrating how a diabetes therapy, namely a sodium-glucose cotransporter 2 (SGLT2) inhibitor, could not only improve glucose control but also dramatically decrease cardiovascular complications and death. Dr. Zinman's findings have been applied to help address heightened rates of type 2 diabetes in Indigenous communities, including through the Sandy Lake Health and Diabetes Project, now in its 35th year. Beyond his prodigious scientific output, Dr. Zinman has mentored generations of other Canadian scientists and clinicians, ensuring his fight against the diabetes epidemic will continue for years to come.



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Event Details

June 18, 2026 | Hyatt Regency Calgary

5:00 PM | Reception

6:00 PM - 9:30PM | Dinner and Award Ceremony

The Induction Ceremony includes a reception, dinner and awards presentation.

The impact of the Inductees and Calgary's vibrant health sciences sector are showcased through short tribute videos.

The event attracts 500 guests from across Canada including local, national academic, and international health and business leaders, medical students and residents.

Induction Committee Chair:

Todd Anderson, MD, FRCP(C), FCAHS
Dean, Cumming School of Medicine

Honourary Chair:

Samuel Weiss, CM, PhD, FRSC, FCAHS
2023 CMHF Laureate
Professor, Cumming School of Medicine

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REGIONAL

\$20,000

ONE OPPORTUNITY

- Premium reserved seating for 20 guests
- Two invitations to the exclusive VIP pre-event
- Recognition as the Regional Sponsor in speaking remarks
- Logo recognition on the official e-invitation, electronic communications, and digital materials
- Logo placement in CMHF Induction Ceremony print materials
- Logo and link on the CMHF Induction Ceremony event webpage
- Social media recognition before and during the event

LAUREATE TRIBUTE

\$20,000

THREE OPPORTUNITIES

- Reserved seating for 10 guests
- Two invitations to the exclusive VIP pre-event
- Recognition as a Laureate Tribute Sponsor in speaking remarks
- Logo recognition on the official e-invitation, electronic communications, and digital materials
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- First right of refusal for the following year's event



PLATINUM

\$15,000

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES

- Reserved seating for 16 guests
- Recognition as a Platinum Sponsor in speaking remarks
- Logo recognition on the official e-invitation, electronic communications, and digital materials
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GOLD

\$12,000

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES

- Reserved seating for 10 guests
- Recognition as a Gold Sponsor in speaking remarks
- Logo recognition on the official e-invitation, electronic communications, and digital materials
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- Social media recognition before and during the event



RECEPTION HOST

\$12,500

ONE OPPORTUNITY

- Reserved seating for 4 guests
- Exclusive recognition as the Reception Host
- Branded signage and acknowledgment during the reception
- Signature drink signage at the bars
- Logo recognition on CMHF Induction Ceremony print materials and digital materials
- Logo and link on the CMHF Induction Ceremony event webpage
- First right of refusal for the following year's event

WINE SPONSOR

\$5,000

ONE OPPORTUNITY

- Reserved seating for 2 guests
- Exclusive recognition as the Wine Sponsor for the Induction Reception
- Name recognition on CMHF Induction Ceremony print materials and digital materials
- Signage with logo at each bar
- Recognition as Wine Sponsor on menu
- First right of refusal for the following year's event



SILVER

\$9,000

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES

- Reserved seating for 8 guests
- Logo recognition on CMHF Induction Ceremony print materials and digital materials
- Logo and link on the CMHF Induction Ceremony event webpage

BRONZE

\$6,000

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES

- Reserved seating for 8 guests
- Name recognition on CMHF Induction Ceremony print materials and digital materials
- Name listed on the CMHF Induction Ceremony event webpage

CHAMPION

\$3,000

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES

- Reserved seating for 2 guests
- Name recognition on CMHF Induction Ceremony print materials and digital materials
- Name listed on the CMHF Induction Ceremony event webpage
- In recognition of your support, CMHF will invite 2 local medical students to attend the Induction Ceremony (separate from guest seating) — helping to inspire and engage the next generation of healthcare leaders.





It was an unforgettable evening filled with inspiration, connection, and a deep sense of community. The room was filled with physician leaders who lead in so many different ways and across diverse fields — a powerful reminder that leadership is not one-size-fits-all, and every journey is truly unique... This event filled my cup. It reminded me that medicine is not just about science — it's about people, progress, and purpose. Congratulations to all the Inductees!"

Dr. Zainab Abdurrahman
President, Ontario Medical Association

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Benefits Overview

	REGIONAL	LAUREATE TRIBUTE	PLATINUM	GOLD	RECEPTION HOST	SILVER	BRONZE	WINE	CHAMPION
	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$15,000	\$12,000	\$12,500	\$9,000	\$6,000	\$5,000	\$3,000
Number of opportunities	1	3	Multiple	Multiple	1	Multiple	Multiple	1	Multiple
Number of invitations	20 Guests Premium Seating	10 Guests Preferred Seating	16 Guests Preferred Seating	10 Guests Preferred Seating	4 Guests	8 Guests	8 Guests	2 Guests	2 Guests
First right of refusal for next year's event		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Exclusive invitation to VIP pre-event	2 Guests	2 Guests							
Verbal recognition during opening remarks	●	●	●	●					
Logo featured on official e-invite Deadline: February 9, 2026	●	●	●	●					
Social media recognition pre-event and during	●	●	●	●					
Event program recognition	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Name	Name	Name
Recognition in looping slideshow <i>higher frequency and longer duration per slide</i>	●	●	●	●		●	●		●
Recognition on website <i>Link to your website</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Recognition on sponsor boards	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo		Logo	Name		Name
Bar and menu signage					●			●	

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