

# CaNIOS Newsletter

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## Important Dates

**October 16-21, 2009** - 73rd ACR Annual Scientific Meeting, Philadelphia, USA

**October 30, 2009** - CRA 2010 Abstract Deadline

**December 1, 2009** - 9th International Congress on SLE Abstract Deadline

**February 3-6, 2010** CRA Conference, Chateau Frontenac, Quebec City

**June 24, 2010** - CaNIOS Business Meeting

**June 24-27, 2010** - 9th International Congress on SLE, Vancouver, BC.

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## Yet Another New CaNIOS Trainee Member

Dr. Claire Barber recently joined CaNIOS as Trainee Member. Dr. Barber is a PGY4 in Rheumatology at the University of Toronto. She has recently moved to the city from Halifax, Nova Scotia where she did her undergraduate, medical school and internal medicine training. Her interest in the study of

lupus dates back to her undergraduate training, and at medical school she did a summer research fellowship with Dr. John Hanly through the CRA Summer Program. Her research in the summer of 2005 on sustained remission in lupus nephritis led to a publication in the journal *Lupus*. Currently, Dr. Barber is

working with Dr. Paul R. Fortin to characterize patients with vascular lesions on renal biopsy to define their clinical presentations in hopes of better understanding risk factors for renal and overall outcomes and endothelial abnormalities in lupus. Claire, Welcome to the CaNIOS Family!

## A New Face To 1000 Faces

There is a new face added to the 1000 Faces of Lupus Study. John McVagh has recently joined the 1000 Faces

of Lupus Study as its new National Coordinator. He will be the main contact for the study nationally. You may

contact John via e-mail: [jmcvagh@exchange.hsc.mb.ca](mailto:jmcvagh@exchange.hsc.mb.ca) John, Welcome to the Network!

## CaNIOS Grant Renewals

Three major grants: The 2000 Faces of Lupus Study, ThromboFIL Phase 2, and LuNNET Phase 2 were all

submitted for funding through the CIHR Open Operating Grant competition this fall. Please check the

complete names of applicants and list of collaborators on page 2.

## CaNIOS Committees

We will be re-organizing our different committees in the coming weeks. A survey monkey link will be e-mailed to you for your suggestions of how we should re-

organize the existing CaNIOS Committees. We currently have 3 existing committees: Membership, Scientific, and Privacy. Our Data and Standards Committee has been

absorbed by the Scientific Committee. We encourage your active participation in bringing out new ideas.

## Lupus Canada is Moving

Starting Sept 21, Lupus Canada's new office address will be **3555 14<sup>th</sup> Ave. Unit #3, Markham ON L3R 0H5.**

Their phone, fax and e-mail address remain the same:  
Toll free: 1-800-661-1468  
Tel: 905-513-0004

Fax: 905-513-516  
[info@lupuscanada.org](mailto:info@lupuscanada.org)

## 9th International Congress on SLE

Please take note of these dates, and plan ahead.

The abstract submission deadline is **December 1, 2009.**

Early Bird Registration Deadline is **March 15, 2010**

Hotel Reservation Deadline is **May 20, 2010.**

Award Nominations deadline is **March 13, 2010.**

The 9th International Congress on SLE will be held on **June 24-27, 2010** in Vancouver, BC.

For abstract submission guidelines and instructions; travel grant information, program at a glance, and other related information, the website to bookmark is **[www.lupus2010.com](http://www.lupus2010.com).**

**CRA Abstract Submission Deadline is: October 30**



## Grants Submitted

### ThromboFIL Phase 2 (CIHR & HSFC)

Paul R. Fortin (Nominated Principal Applicant); Joyce Rauch (Principal Applicant); Jeannine Kassiss (Principal Applicant), Susan Solymoss (Co-applicant); Christian Pineau (Co-applicant); Paula Harvey (Co-applicant); Wendy Lou (Co-applicant); Eric Thorin (Co-applicant).

CaNIOS Collaborators: Christine Peschken, Carol Hitchon and Shikha Mittoo; Antonio Aviña-Zubieta; Janet Pope; John Hanley, Murray Urowitz; Stephanie Keeling; Dafna Gladman (as member of UTLC); Sasha Bernatsky and Ann Clarke (as members of MUHC Lupus Clinic)

Non-CaNIOS Collaborators: Lindsey Criswell; John Wilkins; Richard Austin; Mark Crowther; Jerrold Levine, Jose Correa, Mélanie Dieudé; Flip de Groot; Bas de Laat; José Correa, Mark Fritzler; Mario Gonzalez-Gronow

### LuNNET Phase 2 (CIHR)

Paul R. Fortin (Nominated Principal Applicant); Joan Wither (Principal Applicant); Carolina Landolt-Marticorena (Co-applicant); James Scholey (Co-applicant); Heather Reich (Co-applicant); Andrew Herzenberg Co-applicant); Christian Pineau (Co-applicant); Ann Clarke (Co-applicant); John Rioux (Co-applicant); Wendy Lou (Co-applicant).

CaNIOS Collaborators: Christine Peschken (Carol Hitchon and Shikha Mittoo as member of Centre 10); John Esdaile; Antonio Aviña-Zubieta; Janet Pope; John Hanley, Murray Urowitz; Dafna Gladman; Stephanie Keeling; Adam Huber (and Suzanne Ramsey as part of Centre 22); Earl Silverman (Susan Benseler as part of Centre 20); John Hanly, Simon Carette; Gilles Boire; Joyce Rauch.

Non-CaNIOS Collaborators: Joanne Bargman; Michelle Hladunewich; John Wilkins, Jerrold Levinne

### 2000 Canadian Faces of Lupus (CIHR)

Christine Peschken (Principal Applicant); Janet Pope (Co-applicant); Earl Silverman (Co-applicant); Joseph Beyene (Co-applicant); Stephen Scherer (Co-applicant)

CaNIOS Collaborators: Carol Hitchon; Shikha Mittoo; Paul R. Fortin; Murray Urowitz; Dafna Gladman; Carolina Landolt-Marticorena; Ann Clarke, Christian Pineau; Sasha Bernatsky; Antonio Aviña-Zubieta; Stephanie Keeling; Adam Huber (and Suzanne Ramsey as part of Centre 22); Susan Barr; Judah Denburg; C. Douglas Smith; Marie Hudson; Michel Zummer; Lori Tucker; Gaëlle Chédeville; Jennifer Reynolds, Hector Arbillaga.

Non-CaNIOS Collaborators: Marvin Fritzler, Janet Markland

### CaNIOS Authorship Definition

**To be a named author in any CaNIOS publication, one must meet conditions 1, 2, and 3 below:**

- (1) Substantial contributions to conception and design, or acquisition of data, or analysis and interpretation of data;
- (2) Drafting the article or revising it critically for important intellectual content; and
- (3) Final approval of the version to be published.

### Manuscripts Submitted or Under Revision

#### (LuNNET Cohort I Study)

Reich, HN, Gladman DD, Urowitz MB, Fan CPS, Herzenberg AM, Bargman JM, Cattran DC, Su J, Wither J, Scholey JW, Fortin PR. Chronic kidney disease in systemic lupus erythematosus – more than inflammation. In revision for resubmission.

#### Lupus (1000 Faces of Lupus)

Yuen SY, Mok MY, Wong WS, Silverman ED, Pope JE, Fortin PR, Smith CD, Zummer M, Hudson M, Pineau C, Clarke A, Bernatsky S, Urowitz M, Gladman D, Canadian Network For Improved Outcomes In Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (CaNIOS), Peschken CA. Systemic Lupus Erythematosus: A Comparative Study of Clinical Manifestations and Damage in Two Chinese Populations. Feb 2009.

#### Journal of Rheumatology (1000 Faces of Lupus)

Mittoo S, Gelber A, Hitchon C, Silverman ED, Pope JE, Fortin PR, Pineau C, Smith CD, Arbillaga H, Gladman D, Urowitz M, Zumer M, Clarke A, Bernatsky S, Hudson M, Tucker L, Petty R, Canadian Network For Improved Outcomes In Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (CaNIOS), Peschken CA. Systemic Lupus Erythematosus-Related Serositis is Associated with Ribonucleoprotein Antibody: Finding from a Multi-Ethnic, Multi-Center Canadian Cohort . Feb 2009.

#### Rheumatology (1000 Faces of Lupus)

Bernatsky S, Peschken C, Fortin PR, Urowitz M, Gladman D, Pope J, Hudson M, Zummer M, Smith D, Arbillaga H, Clarke A, CaNIOS. Medication Use in Systemic Lupus.

#### Journal of Rheumatology (LuNNET-TWH)

Zhang W, Aghdassi E, Reich HN, Su J, Lou W, Landolt-Marticorena C, Gladman D, Urowitz MB, Scholey J, Fortin PF. Glomerular Filtration Rate Predicts Cardiovascular Events in Patients with Systemic Lupus Erythematosus. CMAJ.

#### CMAJ (LuNNET-TWH)

Yip J, Aghdassi E, Su J, Lou W, Reich HN, Bargman J, Scholey J, Gladman DD, Urowitz MB, Fortin PR. Serum Albumin as a Marker for Disease Activity in Patients with Systemic Lupus Erythematosus.

### In Press

#### Journal of Rheumatology (1000 Faces of Lupus)

Colangelo K, Pope J, Peschken, C. The minimally important difference (MID) for patient reported outcomes in systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) including the HAQ-DI, pain, fatigue and SF-36. Feb 2009.

#### Lupus (1000 Faces of Lupus)

Baker K, Pope J, Silverman E, Cooper G, Fortin PR, Zummer M, Smith CD, Petty, R, Tucker L, Albert L, Huber A, Ramsey S, Arbillaga H, Chedéville G, Hudson, M, CaNIOS Investigators; Peschken C. Work Disability in Systemic Lupus Erythematosus is Prevalent and Predicted by Socio-demographic and Disease Related Factors: Results from a Multi-Ethnic Cohort.

#### Journal of Rheumatology (LuNNET and HIPP)

Aghdassi E; Morrison S, Marticorena Landolt C, Su J, Clarke Ann, Gladman D, Urowitz M, Pope J, Peschken C, Pineau C, CaNIOS LuNNET & HIPP Investigators, DaCosta D, Wither J, Fortin PR. The Use of Micronutrient Supplements: Relation to Quality of Life & Disease Activity in Canadian Patients with Systemic Lupus Erythematosus.

#### Journal of Rheumatology (1000 Faces of Lupus)

Lalani S, Peschken C, Pope J, CaNIOS 1000 Faces of Lupus Investigators. Clinical Features and Prognosis of Late Onset SLE.

### Manuscripts In Preparation (Contact senior author if you wish to be included as author.)

**GenES Study :** Serology Studies - Dr. Joan Wither;  
Environmental Data (i.e., UV light, smoking, and radiation) - Dr. Glinda Cooper  
Analysis of Candidate Genes and SNPs - Drs. J Wither/Dr. PR Fortin/Dr J Rioux

**LuNNET Study:** BAFF Expression in Lupus - Drs. J Wither/PR Fortin  
Gene expression from renal biopsies - Dr. H. Reich

**1000 Faces of Lupus Study:** Pediatric Lupus - Dr. L.Tucker/Dr. C. Peschken

**HIPP Study:** FMD—Please contact Dr. P. Fortin

