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ABSTRACTS

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The Canadian Association of Neuropathologists (CANP) held their Fifty-Fifth Annual Meeting at the Hilton Quebec in Quebec City, Quebec from October 14 to 17, 2015, with Dr. Ian Mackenzie presiding. Drs. Peter Gould and Stephan Saikali handled the local arrangements. The banquet was held at Table du Manoir, Hotel Manoir Victoria in Vieux Quebec.

The academic program of 17 scientific presentations and 15 unknown case submissions was assembled by CANP Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Peter Gould into five sessions, chaired by Drs. Rob Macaulay (Neurodegeneration), Jason Karamchandani (Neuroinflammation), Jennifer Chan (Tumours and Dysplasias), Ed Johnson (Pediatrics) and Julia Keith (Muscle and Nerve).

All unknown cases were available for viewing online prior to the meeting, thanks to CANP webmaster Dr. Jason Karamchandani. All abstracts for scientific presentation were peer reviewed by the Program Committee composed of Drs. Harvey Sarnat, Marie-Christien Guiot and David Munoz.

The Jerzy Olszewski Guest Lecture was given by Dr. Francesca Cicchetti from Laval University on the subject of "What we have learned from post-mortem analysis of neuronal allografts in Huntington's disease patients."

Dr. Stephen Yip from the University of British Columbia gave the Quality Assurance Lecture on the subject of "New understanding of the molecular pathology of gliomas and its impact on clinical diagnosis – Importance of a robust national quality assurance program."

The 2015 symposium, chaired by Dr. Mackenzie, was devoted to Pediatric Neuropathology.

Dr. Mirna Lechpammer from the University of California, Davis, USA discussed "Periventricular Leukomalacia in Encephalopathy of Prematurity – New Molecular Insights into an Old Foe."

Prof. Robert Taylor from the Wellcome Trust Centre for Mitochondrial Research Newcastle University, UK discussed

"Neuroradiological and neuropathological features associated with primary mitochondrial disease."

Dr. Nada Jabado from McGill University gave the David Robertson Guest Lecture on the subject of "Epigenetics meet genetics: a tale of pediatric brain tumors."

The Gordon Mathieson Invited Member Lecturer for 2015 was Dr. Jean Michaud from the University of Ottawa, who spoke about "Genetics of Cerebral Cortical Developmental Malformations."

The Resident Awards Committee was made up of Drs. Claire Coiré, Alex Easton and Stéphan Saikali.

The Mary Tom Award for the best clinical paper was given to Dr. Ana Nikolic (supervisor Dr. Resch) for her unknown case presentation "C6: Graft versus host disease of the brain."

The Morrison H. Finlayson Award for best basic science paper was given to Jordan Warford (supervisor Dr. Easton) for his presentation: "Understanding the role of surfen, a proteoglycan antagonist, in mouse models of multiple sclerosis: Applications for the development of novel therapeutics."

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