

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Microbiology & Infectious Diseases Research Days

Monday, June 3rd, 2019 – Trainee Day (Selected from Abstracts)

Tuesday, June 4th, 2019 – Invited Lectures & Poster Session

Talks in Medical Sciences Building, Room 2170

**Posters & Lunch in Medical Sciences Building,
Room 2171 (C. David Naylor Student Commons)**

Website: <http://microbeto.ca/mid-2019/>

Monday, June 3rd, 2019

9:30 - 9:40 WELCOME ADDRESS

9:45 – 10:00: Avid Mohammadi

Characterizing the impact of penile-vaginal sex on HIV-susceptible CD4⁺ T cell subsets in the female genital tract

10:05 - 10:20: Erin O. Y. Wong

Developing defined microbiota to model inflammation in the mouse gut

10:25 - 10:40: Nora Mellouk

An ATG16L1-dependent pathway promotes plasma membrane repair and limits *Listeria monocytogenes* cell-to-cell spread

10:45 - 11:15: COFFEE BREAK

11:20 - 11:35: Jean-Paul R. Soucy

Joint modelling of resistance to six antimicrobials in urinary *Escherichia coli* isolates in Quebec, Canada

11:40 – 11:55: Sarah Birstonas

EHEC utilizes two-component systems to modulate expression of major flagellar subunit protein, FliC, in response to host intestinal cues

12:00 - 12:15: Nathaniel Winsor

NLRP6 regulates the colonic mucus layer during *Tritrichomonas* infection

12:35 – 1:30: LUNCH

1:35 - 12:50: Samuel Salamun

Epstein-Barr Virus Protein BMRF1 Modulates Cellular SUMO and DNA Damage Response Pathways by Binding the Cellular NuRD Complex

1:55 - 2:10: Nicola Case

Elucidating the mechanism of *Candida albicans* morphogenesis in response to phagocytosis by macrophages

2:15 - 2:30: Sarah Kronheim

A small molecule anti-phage defense mechanism in *Streptomyces*

2.30 - 3:00: COFFEE BREAK

3:05 - 3:20: Alexandra Willis

Understanding inherited immunity using a *C. elegans* model of microsporidia infection

3:25 - 3:40: Genevieve Mailhot

Differentiating between protective and pathogenic neutrophil responses during *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* infection

3:45 – 4:00: Tiffany Fitzpatrick

Successes of anti-RSV prophylaxis among infants in Ontario: results from a multi-decade, population-based controlled interrupted time series analysis using health administrative data

Poster Presentations

75) A Systematic Review of Solid Organ Transplantation in Acute Presentations of Tropical Infectious Diseases

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Fulminant life-threatening presentations of acute tropical infections such as yellow fever, dengue, malaria, hepatitis E, and leptospirosis, may occur, and the degree of end-organ impairment may qualify patients for solid-organ transplantation (SOT) in centres with such capacity. However, due to a paucity of synthesized data, there is a knowledge gap around indications for and outcomes in SOT for severe acute tropical infectious diseases. We therefore aim to synthesize such knowledge, focusing on patient outcomes in order to inform triage and treatment protocols in centres where acute tropical infectious diseases and SOT capacity may intersect. Five electronic databases were searched (PubMed, Embase, Scopus, Cochrane, and LILACS) using combinations of search terms such as the following: “liver” or “hepatic” “transplant,” “yellow fever” “dengue” and “Plasmodium spp.,” from database inception to March 4, 2019. A total of 6317 articles were retrieved: 2324 articles on PubMed, 3839 on Embase, 244 on Scopus, 43 on Cochrane, and 108 on LILACS. After eliminating duplicates using Mendeley software, a total of 4944 articles remained for title screening. Titles, abstracts, and full-text articles will be systematically double screened by two reviewers with a tertiary arbitrator. The Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses (PRISMA) will be implemented. Data extraction will be performed by two reviewers and the quality of the articles will be critically evaluated using the Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development, and Evaluation (GRADE) approach. The data will be summarized to systematically map published literature that will illuminate the frequency, indications for, and health outcomes of SOT recipients in the treatment of acute tropical infectious diseases. Where SOT capacity exists alongside the occurrence of endemic or imported tropical infectious diseases, such synthesized information, particularly in the form of a clinical resource, is essential for appropriate resource allocation and informed clinical decision-making.