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## From the CPA's Science Directorate

After a brief hiatus, welcome to Volume 5, Issue 1 of *PSYence Update*—a newsletter to keep you up-to-date on activities undertaken by the CPA on behalf of psychological science.

Highlights of activities by the Science Directorate since our last newsletter include: participating in the federal budget process (pre-budget submission and budget response); continuing to serve as Chair of the Canadian Consortium for Research; distribution of 10 student research grants; liaising with Canada's tri-funding agen-

cies; aiding in the delivery of a successful ICAP2018, which the CPA was pleased to host in Montreal from June 26-30, 2018, and with the Canadian Consortium for Research, co-hosting a Spring 2019 Summit focused on Canada's researchers and academics.

At any point, if you have any input for the Science Directorate, please don't hesitate to be in touch with the CPA's Deputy CEO and Science Director, Dr. Lisa Votta-Bleeker, by phone (613-237-2144 or 1-888-472-0657 ext. 323) or by email at [science@cpa.ca](mailto:science@cpa.ca).



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## CPA's "Psychology Works" Fact Sheets

The CPA continues to post new fact sheets as part of its Psychology Works Series.

Recently added fact sheets include ones on social anxiety, caregiver stress, and enuresis and encopresis in children.

Fact sheets on borderline personality disorder, aging well, and opiates and narcotics use remain in development.

Numerous ideas continue to be brought forward, including but not

limited to: anger management, diabetes and foot ulcers, miscarriage, narcissism, mental health of seniors in Canada, diversity in the workplace, and shyness.

Go to <http://www.cpa.ca/psychologyfactsheets/> to see the list of current fact sheets. The membership is welcome to submit a fact sheet or suggest a topic via email ([factsheets@cpa.ca](mailto:factsheets@cpa.ca)).



## Fundamental Science in Canada

The (CPA) is the national association for the science, practice and education of psychology in Canada. With almost 7,000 members and affiliates, CPA is Canada's largest association for psychology.

Since the release of *Investing in Canada's Future: Strengthening the Foundations of Canadian Research* ([http://www.sciencereview.ca/eic/site/059.nsf/vwapj/ScienceReview\\_April2017-rv.pdf/\\$file/ScienceReview\\_April2017-rv.pdf](http://www.sciencereview.ca/eic/site/059.nsf/vwapj/ScienceReview_April2017-rv.pdf/$file/ScienceReview_April2017-rv.pdf)), the CPA continues to be a strong advocate for fundamental science in Canada, calling for the implementation of all the report's recommendations in the last two federal pre-budget consultations and in the CPA's budget responses.

Dr. Votta-Bleeker has also met with CIHR President, Dr. Michael Strong, and CIHR Vice-President, Research Programs, Dr. Tammy Clifford, to discuss the inclusion of psychology in CIHR's strategic planning and program offerings.

In May 2019, the CPA, with the Canadian Consortium of Research (CCR), will co-host a Summit in Ottawa from May 6-7, 2019—What's needed and what's next for Canada's re-

search community: A summit for scientists/researchers working in or outside of academia. The first 1.5 days of the Summit will be cross-disciplinary looking at research in Canada, the academic workforce, training the next generation for careers in and outside of academia, and measuring impact and outcomes.

The Summit will conclude with a half-day meeting with only the psychology delegates to discuss the issues in further detail from a psychology perspective.

## Recruit Research Participants Portal (R2P2)

The CPA's R2P2 (<http://www.cpa.ca/science/r2p2/>) has a number of studies looking for research participants:

- Testing the efficacy of an Online Self-help Treatment for Comorbid Alcohol Misuse and Emotional Problems in Young Adult Manitobans: A Randomized Control Trial
- The Impact of Mandatory Reporting on Clinical Service Provision to Clients: A Study of Regulated Health Professionals
- Examination of Clinician Attitudes Regarding Treatment of Individuals with Pedophilia
- The Experiences of Non-native English Speaking International Students in Clinical Supervision: A Narrative Inquiry
- Exposure Based Treatment of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder—Clinician Survey
- Pratique psychologique et utilisation d'indicateurs de suivi de progress en thérapie : Le cas des francophones en milieu minoritaire

For more information on CPA's Research Activities, visit: [www.cpa.ca/researchers](http://www.cpa.ca/researchers)

## CPA's 80<sup>th</sup> Annual National Convention

Join us for the CPA's 2019 National Convention and Annual General Meeting, taking place in Halifax, from May 31st to June 2nd, in collaboration with the 4th North American Correctional and Criminal Justice Psychology Conference.

This year's convention will feature over 1,200 submissions, including **14 pre-convention professional development workshops** (<https://convention.cpa.ca/learn-grow/pre-convention-program/>).

Plenary addresses will be given by this year's Honorary President, Dr. Donna J. Markham; CPA President, Dr. Sam Mikail; Dr. Brian Little; Dr. Gregory Walton; and Drs. William Barr and Angela Colantonio co-presenting in a plenary symposium sponsored by the CPA's Clinical Neuropsychology Section. Addresses by various Section-Invited Speakers will also be given.

This year's Annual General Meeting will take place on Sat-

urday June 1st at 8am.

**EARLY BIRD** (<https://convention.cpa.ca/attend/registration-fees/>) registration ends April 30th. Don't miss out on your chance to take advantage of reduced fees across all registration categories.

**REGISTER** (<https://convention.cpa.ca/attend/registration-fees/>) and **BOOK YOUR ACCOMMODATIONS** (<https://convention.cpa.ca/attend/accommodations/>) today.



## CPA Journals: 2018 Best Article Awards

D'Iuso, D., Dobson, K.S., Beaulieu, L., and Drapeau, M. (2018) **Coping and Interpersonal Functioning**, *Canadian Journal of Behavioural Science*, Vol. 50, No. 4, 248-255. (<https://psycnet.apa.org/record/2018-54370-005>)

Green, C.D., Abbas, S., Belliveau, A., Beribisky, N., Davidson, I.J., DiGiovanni, J., Heidari, C., Martin, S.M., Oosenbrug, E., and Wainwright, L.M. (2018). **Statcheck in Canada: What Proportion of CPA Journal Articles Contain Errors in the Reporting of p-Values?** *Canadian Psychology*, Vol. 59, No. 3, 203–210. (<https://psycnet.apa.org/record/2018-15893-001>)

Matheson, H., Salmon, J., Tougas, M., and McMullen, P. (2018). **Embodied object concepts: The contribution of structural and functional manipulability depends on available visual information**, *Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology*, December, 229-243. Award co-sponsored with the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science. (<https://psycnet.apa.org/record/2018-24689-001>)



## Canadian Consortium for Research (CCR)

Dr. Votta-Bleeker continues to serve as Chair of the CCR, in this role since May 2013.

The CCR continues to participate in the federal pre-budget consultation processes and respond to federal budgets as they are tabled.

In January 2019, it hosted its 7th annual breakfast with the funders at the CPA's Head Office in Ottawa. The Breakfast was at-

tended by CIHR President, Dr. Michael Strong; SSHRC Vice-President, Dr. Brent Herbert-Copley; NSERC Vice President of Research Partnerships, Dr. Marc Fortin; CFI President and CEO, Dr. Roseann O'Reilly Runte; and MITACS Director of Innovation Policy, Ms. Gail Bowkett.

In May 2019, the CCR, with the CPA, will co-host a Summit in Ottawa from May 6-7, 2019 for

scientists/researchers working in or outside of academia. The CCR is thrilled to have secured Dr. David Naylor, Chair of the Fundamental Science Review Panel, to deliver a 1-hour keynote and participate in a 1-hour townhall with the delegates at the Summit.

In the coming months, the CCR will begin preparing for the upcoming federal election.



## New in the CPA's Journals

### *Canadian Psychology:*

Dr. Vina Goghari began her term as CP Editor January 1, 2018.

CP will be producing a special issue specific to the training Summits the CPA is hosting in May 2019, as well as a special issue on the replicability crisis in psychology.

### *Canadian Journal of Behavioural Science:*

CJBS is developing a special

issue on women in science.

### *Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology:*

Dr. Randall Jamieson is in his first year as CJEP Editor.

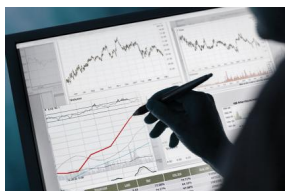
Under his editorship, CJEP has launched a new submission type – Registered Reports (RRs). RRs are intended to give researchers a route to investigate controversial topics and address issues of replication and reproducibility. Any RRs accepted in

the year after Randy's editorial is published will be made Open Access.

CJEP will also be producing a special issue on comparative cognition.



## CPA Support for Research and Knowledge Dissemination



The CPA is pleased to continue providing financial support for student research and knowledge dissemination in **all** areas of psychology.

Proposals are evaluated based on: overall research approach/methodology, feasibility of the research and the environment in which conducted, originality of research, impact of research, and the applicant's qualifications. This year's funding envelope provided awards valued at \$1,000.00 to the 10 awardees noted in the table below.

The next call for proposals will be posted to the CPA's website in Fall 2019; inquiries can be directed to [science@cpa.ca](mailto:science@cpa.ca).

| Awardee             | Project Title   | University                  |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Catherine Gallagher | Trauma and substance use in women offenders: The transdiagnostic role of distress tolerance, anxiety sensitivity, and emotion regulation  | University of New Brunswick |
| Jennifer Barnes     | Examining association between maternal trauma, child attachment security, and child behaviours in refugee families in Canada  | University of Manitoba      |
| Rawa (Ruby) Jamil   | Mental health and well-being in Arab-Canadian immigrants  | University of Windsor       |
| Stephanie Lung      | How do sensory patterns and cognitive flexibility contribute to the restricted, repetitive symptoms in school-aged children with autism?  | McGill University           |
| Duncan Greig        | Evaluating the assessment and management of institutional violence risk in a forensic hospital  | Simon Fraser University     |
| Chastine Lamoureux  | Motor stereotypes and early language acquisition: Understanding the relationship between rhythmic arm activity and reduplicated babble using a novel online longitudinal design | Ryerson University          |
| Erin Dempsey        | The development of moral foundations in autism spectrum disorder  | Dalhousie University        |
| Hilary Power        | A qualitative exploration of the information and service needs of children and adolescents with cystic fibrosis   | University of Regina        |
| Kathleen Stewart    | Reducing worry in generalized anxiety disorder through the training of attention control  | Ryerson University          |
| Soeun Lee           | A pilot study of a 5-week group for parents of youth with chronic pain: Feasibility, acceptability and initial effectiveness  | University of Guelph        |

## Liaisons with Funding Agencies

**SSHRC:** SSHRC's Research Grants and Partnerships Program Officer will present at the CPA's 2019 convention on SSHRC's funding opportunities for psychology.

**CIHR:** In late February and early March, Dr. Votta-Bleeker met with CIHR President Dr. Michael Strong and Dr. Tammy Clifford, CIHR's Vice-President of Research Programs, respectively, to discuss psychology as a focus area within CIHR. In the coming months, CIHR will launch a public consultation to inform its next strategic plan.

**NSERC:** In early February, NSERC announced the appointment of Dr. Danika Goosney, Vice-President, Research Grants and Scholarships Directorate. Dr. Votta-Bleeker is currently seeking an introductory meeting. In January, NSERC launched an evaluation of its Discovery Grants program; the first phase involved a survey that went to past NSERC grant recipients.

## CPA's 80th Anniversary

May 2019 will mark the CPA's 80th anniversary!

To celebrate, over the next year, we will be showcasing at least 80 ways that the psychological work of our members makes a difference to society. We plan to do this via our website, social media platforms, and perhaps even a compendium in *Canadian Psychology* or *Psynopsis Magazine*.

If you are a member or affiliate of the CPA and would like to have your work showcased as part of the CPA's 80th anniversary celebrations, please send the following information to [communications@cpa.ca](mailto:communications@cpa.ca): a 150-word summary of your work, a photo or logo, information on any funders of your work and, if possible, a website link for more information.

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## In Memoriam



On February 28th, 2019, the CPA's Board of Directors and the CPA writ large, suffered the sudden loss of current Board member, Dr. Douglas Mewhort.

Among his many accomplishments, Doug was Professor Emeritus of Psychology at Queen's University; an Honorary Life Fellow of the CPA and a current member of CPA's Board of Directors; Past President of the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science; and Editor Emeritus of the Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology (CJEP). His research was in the area of intuitive memory, decision-making, and high performance computing and his work was continuously funded by NSERC since 1968.

As a current member of the CPA's Board, Doug was Chair of the Scientific Affairs Committee and Board Liaison to the Publications Committee. In both roles, he was a tremendous advocate for psychological science.

Doug gave generously of his time and talents to the discipline of psychology, to his scientific and academic communities, the publishing landscape, his professional associations, his colleagues, and his students. His contributions to the CPA and efforts to promote psychological science will not soon be forgotten.