

University briefs

McMASTER UNIVERSITY



McMaster University and the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario appointed Dr. Heather Arthur as the first Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario chair in Cardiovascular Nursing, in early September.

Dr. Arthur's new position will allow her to work closely with the university's health partners to encourage new research and postgraduate studies in cardiovascular nursing.

Dr. Arthur is a professor at McMaster's school of nursing.

UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA



University of Ottawa professor Dr. Robert Korneluk was awarded the prestigious McLaughlin medal from the Royal Society of Canada. Dr.

Korneluk, who is a professor of pediatrics and of biochemistry, specializes in human molecular genetics. His research includes therapies for diseases like cancer, diabetes, neurodegeneration, myotonic dystrophy, and retinal eye disease.

The McLaughlin medal is awarded for outstanding achievements in medical science in Canada.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY



Dr. Robert Reid, professor at Queen's University, was recently awarded the prestigious President's Award by the Society of Obstetricians and Gynecologists of Canada (SOGC).

Dr. Reid is chair of the division of reproductive endocrinology and infertility at the university, and is also a professor of obstetrics and gynecology. He is deputy head of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at Kingston's General Hospital.

Dr. Reid, who is well-known among his peers as an exemplary speaker, currently chairs the SOGC's national contraception awareness program and is involved in the development of the sexualityandu.ca web site.

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA



The federal government announced an investment of more than \$7.9 million to fund health research in Manitoba, in early September.

The funding will go to 20 research projects covering a wide range of health research, and will be based out of the university.

MCGILL UNIVERSITY



The McGill University Health Centre has expanded once again. On Sept. 8, 2003, 740 Dr. Penfield Ave. was inaugurated. This multi-disciplinary research centre is dedicated to advancing genomics, proteomics and bone research. It will investigate remedies for diseases, including cancer, diabetes and multiple sclerosis.

The four scientific groups that will share the 100,000 square foot facilities include McGill University and Génome Québec Innovation Centre (formerly known as the Montreal Genome Centre), the Réseau Protéomique de Montréal/Montreal Proteomics Network, the Centre for Bone and Periodontal Research /Jamson T.N. Wong Laboratories for Bone and Periodontal Research, as well as five bio-business incubators, which include the William H. Donner Laboratories for Biotechnology.

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UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO



The University of Western Ontario formally launched its Windsor regional and rural medical undergraduate training program, last week. The program aims to address the problem of doctor shortage in rural areas of southwestern Ontario. The university is working in conjunction with the Southwestern Ontario Medical Education Network (SWOMEN).

Nine of the university's full-time students have joined some 20 postgraduate students who are already stationed in Windsor.