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PEDIATRIC GROUP AGM KEYNOTE SPEAKER



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Dr. Lisa Robinson is Vice Dean, Strategy & Operations, and Professor, Department of Paediatrics and Institute of Medical Science, Temerty Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto. She is a Staff Physician and former Head, Division of Nephrology, The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids). Dr. Robinson is Senior Scientist in the Program in Cell Biology at the SickKids Research Institute and holder of a Canada Research Chair (CRC) Tier 1 in Vascular Inflammation and Kidney Injury.

Dr. Robinson attended medical school at the University of Toronto, trained in Internal Medicine at Toronto General Hospital, and completed her residency in Paediatrics at the University of Western

Ontario. She received her Paediatric Nephrology training at Duke University and during this time she pursued basic research training in the Departments of Immunology and Medicine, focused on exploring the mechanisms by which the immune system contributes to progressive kidney disease and to cardiovascular disease. Her research program integrates molecular biology, cell biology, advanced microscopic, and biochemical approaches with experimental models of inflammation, cardiovascular disease, and kidney injury.

Dr. Robinson is the founder and director of Kids Science, a SickKids Research Institute program which provides opportunities for middle- and high-school students to improve their understanding of science and technology, and to make positive educational and career choices. Kids Science targets youth who do not have equal exposure to science and technology awareness experiences, including patients with chronic illnesses at SickKids, students from Northeastern Ontario, and students from Toronto's underserved communities. In 2014, she launched the Student Advancement Research (StAR) Program, a SickKids summer research program for high school students from underserved communities.

Dr. Robinson has served on many scientific, career advancement, and advocacy committees committed to child health and kidney health. These include the Society for Pediatric Research Council, the Research and Career Development Committees of the American Society of Pediatric Nephrology (ASPN), and Scientific Program Committees of ASPN and the International Pediatric Nephrology Association. As a member of the American Society of Nephrology, she served on the Innovation and Discovery Taskforce, the Career Advancement Committee, and most recently the Health Equity and Justice Committee.

As Vice Dean, Strategy & Operations, Dr. Robinson leads the Faculty's academic strategic planning, oversees academic affairs, and serves as the decanal lead for the Faculty's Office of Inclusion and Diversity.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

CST Transplant Fellows Symposium and **Special Interest Groups Conference** September 22-24, 2021 View the website here.

Society of Paediatric Liver **Transplantation Annual Meeting** September 30-October 1, 2021 View the website here.

CST Virtual Transplant Summit October 6-8, 2021 View the website here.

IPTA Virtual Fellows & Allied Health & Nursing Professionals (AHNP) Meeting October 14-15, 2021 View the website here.

11th Congress of the International Pediatric Transplant Association (IPTA 2022) Prague, Czech Republic March 26-29, 2022 View the website here.

29th International Congress of the Transplantation Society (TTS 2022) Buenos Aires, Argentina September 10-14, 2022 View the website here.





CST Pediatric Group Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 5:00 pm MST/7:00 pm EST

Time	Event	Speaker
17:00 MST/19:00 EST	Welcome	Lorraine Hamiwka
17:05 MST/19:05 EST	Keynote Presentation: Towards Inclusion and Diversity in Academic Medicine	Lisa Robinson
17:35 MST/19:35 EST	Trainee Clinical Science Abstract Presentation: Gender differences in medication adherence among adolescent and young adult solid organ transplant recipients	Yulia Vaisbourd
17:45 MST/19:45 EST	Transplant Updates and Business Meeting	Lorraine Hamiwka, Jenny Wichart, Chia Wei Teoh

Register using this link: <u>https://cstpediatricgroupagm.splashthat.com/</u>

2021 TRAINEE ABSTRACT WINNER

Yulia Vaisbourd

Recipient of the Pediatric Clinical Science Abstract Award

Dr. Vaisbourd received her MD from the Technion - Israel Institute of Technology. She completed her training as a paediatrician at the Bnai Zion medical center, affiliated to the Technion, in 2019. Currently, she is a second-year paediatric nephrology resident at the Montreal Children's Hospital and McGill University. She is the recipient of the Alan Ross academic bursary award.

Her current research is in the field of adherence to immunosuppressive medications in adolescent and young adult transplant recipients, particularly renal transplant recipients. Her work is focused on predictors of non-adherence, adherence assessment and enhancement methods.



CST PEDS GROUP EXECUTIVE ELECTION

The CST Pediatric Group will be holding an election for Committee positions for the period 2021-23 for the following positions:

- 1. Chair-Elect
- 2. Secretary-Treasurer
- 3. Member at Large x 2
- 4. Member at Large Allied Health
- 5. Member at Large Trainee

Candidates must be a member of CST in good standing and a current member of the Pediatric Group.

All of the following items must be submitted to Jolene Haddad at <u>jolene.haddad@ahs.ca</u> by September 27, 2021:

- 1. The position you are interested in
- 2. A photograph
- 3. A 500 word (max) biographical sketch

The slate for candidates will be circulated on September 28th and an electronic vote will take place September 28th to October 4th. The successful candidates will be announced at the Annual Business Meeting on October 5, 2021.

Each position is for a two (2) year term, with the exception of the Trainee Member at Large which serves a one (1) year term. The Pediatric Group Committee will meet virtually monthly or less as decided by the Chair in consultation with the Committee.

In partnership with the Chair, the **Chair-Elect** is responsible to uphold and execute the purpose and represent the collective opinion of the CST Pediatric group. They complete the tasks delegated by the Committee and Chair the Pediatric Group Committee meetings if the Committee Chair is unavailable. The Chair-Elect will move to the Chair and Past-Chair positions respectfully after completion of the initial two (2) year team.

The **Secretary-Treasurer** is responsible to schedule Pediatric Group Committee monthly meetings and generate and distribute agendas, minutes and other relevant materials. They also manage Pediatric Group funds and present a financial report at the annual Pediatric Group business meeting.

Members at Large are responsible for setting the initiatives and goals of the Pediatric Group.

Please feel free to contact <u>lorraine.hamiwka@ahs.ca</u> or <u>chiawei.teoh@sickkids.ca</u> should you have any questions about the positions and we look forward to accepting your nominations.



Questions, comments, or to submit anything for future publications, please email: <u>pediatricgroup@cst-transplant.ca</u>

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We represent the Canadian pediatric transplant community to advance the practice and science of transplantation for the benefit of Canadian children and society.

