

2021 ALS CANADA RESEARCH FORUM



ALS CANADA
RESEARCH PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2021*

**Sessions and speakers are subject to change*

WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

12:00 – 12:30 PM David Taylor, ALS Canada

PATIENT-CENTRED RESEARCH SESSION

12:30 – 1:50 PM Deane Gorsline, diagnosed with ALS in 2018
Agessandro Abrahao, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre
Sanjay Kalra, University of Alberta
Christine Watt & Jocelyn Zwicker, University of Ottawa
Yana Yunusova, University of Toronto

1:50 – 2:00 PM **BREAK**

TRAINEE SESSION

2:00 – 2:35 PM Finalist Presentations

PATIENT PERSPECTIVES IN RESEARCH SESSION

2:35 – 3:40 PM Greg Gowe, diagnosed with ALS in 2019
Diana Rogers, diagnosed with ALS in 2016
Kelsie Snow, caregiver to husband diagnosed with ALS in 2019

3:40 – 3:50 PM **BREAK**

PATHOBIOLOGY OF ALS SESSION

3:50 – 4:50 PM Hyun Kate Lee, University of Toronto
Chantelle Sephton, Université Laval
Elsa Tremblay, Université de Montréal

4:50 – 5:00 PM **BREAK**

THE SHOWDOWN

5:00 – 5:55 PM Basic vs. Clinical Research Trivia Competition

CLOSING REMARKS

5:55 – 6:00 PM David Taylor, ALS Canada

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THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2021*

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	WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS
12:00 – 12:05 PM	David Taylor, ALS Canada
	NOVEL AVENUES IN ALS RESEARCH SESSION
12:05 – 1:25 PM	Honglin Luo, University of British Columbia Christopher Pearson, The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids) Maxime Rousseaux, University of Ottawa Peter St George-Hyslop, University of Toronto
1:25 – 2:30 PM	BREAK (NON-RESEARCHER ATTENDEES)
	BREAKOUT SESSION (RESEARCHERS ONLY)
1:25 – 2:20 PM	ALS Researcher Connectome Networking Exercise
2:20 – 2:30 PM	BREAK (RESEARCH ATTENDEES)
	TRAINEE SESSION
2:30 – 3:00 PM	Finalist Presentations
	INTRODUCTION TO THE CANADIAN ALS LEARNING INSTITUTE
3:00 – 3:10 PM	ALS Canada & Community Working Group Representatives
	CLINICALLY RELEVANT LABORATORY RESEARCH SESSION
3:10 – 4:15 PM	Alex Parker, Université de Montréal Turgay Akay, Dalhousie University Marco Prado, Western University
4:15 – 4:25 PM	BREAK
	WET BIOMARKERS & CLINICAL TRIAL UPDATE
4:25 – 5:25 PM	Mari DeMarco, University of British Columbia Vincent Picher-Martel, Université Laval Angela Genge, McGill University
	UPDATE ON ALS CANADA RESEARCH PROGRAM & CLOSING REMARKS
5:25 – 5:30 PM	David Taylor, ALS Canada