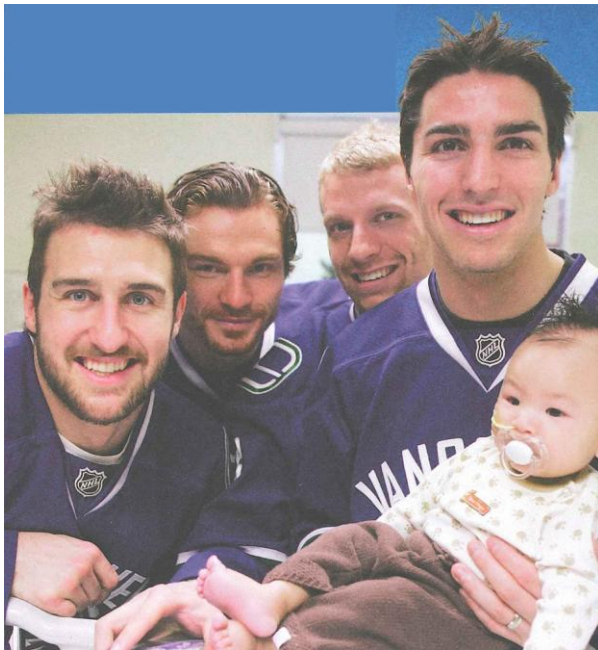


## FALL 2011 UPDATE



*Canucks for Kids Fund made a generous \$ 5 million donation to the BC Children's Hospital Foundation and Diabetes Research Program.*

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### Diabetes Research Program Fall 2011 Update

Welcome to fall 2011 and another exciting academic year. I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new faces and a welcome back to our familiar ones.

We are now at full capacity since the Dan Luciani Lab was officially added in May 2011. Our people are the reason our research program has grown to capacity. We now have 19 investigators working on Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes through translational research from the basic laboratory science through clinical human subject research.

A very special thank you is warranted to the Canucks for Kids Fund. The charitable foundation gave a gift of \$5 million to the BC Children's Hospital Foundation. In addition to contributing to a new hospital, the charity directed an endowment to support the Diabetes Research Program. This gift will be invested in Catalyst pilot project grants, research fellowships and core operating support. Thank you CFKF and "Go Canucks Go"!

On the topic of "Our People", with all the new faces we are working on posters for each lab that highlight who we are and what we do. Lab Managers will provide the supplies to their labs to create their masterpiece. Team members are invited to bring in a photo of themselves to be mounted on the posters. The lab team posters will be displayed around the lab.

Recent events in Japan, New Zealand and offshore BC has reminded us BC could experience an earthquake so being prepared to take cover and be safe is important. SHAKEOut BC is an earthquake preparedness drill being staged across BC. Everyone is encouraged to STOP DROP and COVER for one minute at 10:20 am on Thursday October 20th.

Finally, I wanted to remind everyone that November 14<sup>th</sup> is internationally recognized as World Diabetes Day by the World Health Organization. It falls on the anniversary of Frederick Bantings' birthday. Globally, there are 366 million people living with diabetes and 4.6 million will die from the disease this year. Thank you all for your continued contributions and dedication to the research we are conducting.

~Bruce

## RIDE FOR DIABETES RESEARCH

Captain Joel Montane and a team of enthusiastic cyclists raised over \$1350 in support of Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's mission of finding a cure for Type 1 diabetes. Teams consist of five riders, with each team member taking a turn riding a stationary bike for seven minutes over the course of 40 minutes. This year the Vancouver event raised over \$550,000. The JDRF event has raised over \$7 million dollars annually for diabetes research.

### Research Volunteer Blood Drive

Healthy volunteers are needed to donate blood for use in a CIHR funded research study. The Levings Lab is leading a research volunteer recruitment blood drive. Research blood will be used to develop new ways to regulate immune responses. Sign up to be a volunteer before October 31<sup>st</sup> and you will be entered into a draw to win one of many prizes including an iPad, iPod Touch & a Sony video camera. Volunteers are invited to attend a Halloween party in the Atrium on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 1-2 pm. E-mail [donateblood@cfri.ca](mailto:donateblood@cfri.ca) for more information.

**Give Blood for Research**



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## UPCOMING PROGRAM EVENTS

### Oct 19 DiDi Seminar

*Dutz & Gibson Labs*  
9:00-10:00 Room 2108

### Oct 26 DiDi Seminar

*Colby Zaph*  
9:00-10:00 Room 2108

### Nov 2 DiDi Seminar

*Vallance/Luciani Labs*  
9:00-10:00 Room 3113

### Nov 9 DiDi Seminar

*Kollman/Lavoie Labs*  
9:00-10:00 Room 2108

### Nov 16 DiDi Seminar

*Ehses/TurveyLabs*  
9:00-10:00 Room KO-155

### Nov 23 DiDi Seminar

*Andrew Weng, Terry Fox Labs*  
9:00-10:00 Room 2108

### Dec 7 DiDi Seminar

*Speert/Verchere*  
9:00-10:00 Room 2108

### Dec 14 DiDi Seminar

*Van den Elzen/Hoffman*  
9:00-10:00 Room 2108

### Dec 21 DiDi Seminar

*Levings/Tan Lab*  
9:00-10:00 Room 2108

### October 21<sup>st</sup> Social Event Movie Night

Everyone is welcome to join us for a movie night in the Chieng Family Atrium from 5-8 pm. Food and beverages will be served.

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