

# Kidney Research Centre Centre de recherche sur les maladies du rein

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#### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The KRC is now in its 12th year of operation, but it has only been 5 years since we moved into our new laboratory facility in Roger Guindon Hall at the University of Ottawa. Although the KRC is relatively young, it is encouraging to take note of the richness and diversity of its research studies and accomplishments on an annual basis, which provides the best evidence for progress to help people who are affected by kidney disease. In this and subsequent annual reports, we will focus on the academic year for the period of July 1st to June 30th. We have made this change to improve synchronization of our data with other annual reports (for example, in the Department of Medicine).

What are the highlights for 2011 to 2012? There have been several important milestones, but near the top, one would have to include the successes of Drs. Chris Kennedy, Richard L. Hébert and Kevin Burns in securing renewals of their operating grant support from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR). These grants will permit these investigators to continue innovative basic science studies on the pathogenesis of diabetic nephropathy. Without this funding their research, which represents a central theme at the KRC, simply could not continue.

In addition to this good news, on the clinical research side Dr. Greg Knoll received extensive funding support from the CIHR for his important studies designed to improve outcomes in people with kidney transplants. It should be noted that Dr. Knoll is the first recipient of a University Research Chair (in Clinical Transplantation), attesting to the high quality of his research program. In addition, Dr. Deborah Zimmerman was recipient of a major peer reviewed grant from Baxter Corporation to study the impact of having patients use i-Touch technology to help regulate dietary phosphate intake.

In total, operating grant support for the year amounted to approximately \$2 M, which puts the KRC in an excellent position to achieve its research goals in the next four to five years.

In early 2012, Dr. Rhian Touyz accepted a position as the Director of the Cardiovascular Research Centre at the University of Glasgow, Scotland. At the KRC, Dr. Touyz was a prolific investigator, and superb mentor and colleague. She has made outstanding contributions to our understanding of pathogenesis of hypertension and vascular injury, and her work has been recognized by numerous international awards and presentations. During this period of transition, Dr. Touyz will maintain her position at the KRC and complete her ongoing peer-reviewed, funded projects. Dr. Touyz' will be greatly missed, and we are fortunate that she is keen to continue collaborative work with scientists at the KRC.

The period from 2011-2012 was characterized by a high level of productivity with respect to scientific publications. Scientists at the KRC have published more than 80 peer reviewed manuscripts covering a wide variety of kidney research themes. On the basic research side, Dr. Touyz and her laboratory demonstrated for the first time that fat cells (adipocytes) produce the hormone aldosterone, which may induce injury to local blood vessels. This important new finding was published in the prestigious journal "Hypertension". Dr. Burns and his laboratory demonstrated that transgenic mice that overexpress the protein ACE2 in the glomerular podocyte are protected against the development of diabetic nephropathy, an important finding that was published in the journal "Kidney International".

On the clinical research side, Dr. Ayub Akbari and his colleagues published a key paper in the "Canadian Medical Association Journal (CMAJ)" that documented the referral pattern to nephrologists following the reporting of estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) in the population. Dr. Knoll and his group reported on the utility of cystatin C-based assays to measure kidney function in humans in the "Clinical Journal of American Society of Nephrology (CJASN)", and Dr. Zimmerman and colleagues published an important paper in CJASN on the experience of our program in the manipulation of peritoneal dialysis catheters. These are just some examples of the many studies that were published throughout the year.

The KRC is proud of its trainees and their accomplishments. A number of our trainees were recipients of awards at national and international meetings and/or have received salary support awards from national peer review agencies. We are especially pleased to announce that Ms. Danielle Zimmerman (Graduate student, supervisors Drs. K. Burns and R. Touyz) and Dr. Aurelie Nguyen (Post Doctoral Fellow in Dr. Touyz' lab) were recipients of scholarships from the Kidney Foundation of Canada (Italian Night committee) via a peer review process conducted at the KRC.

Peer reviewed funding is not sufficient to completely support all the research projects conducted at the KRC. In this regard we are grateful for the funding contributions from the Division of Nephrology, via its business group —The Nephrology Partners of Ottawa (NPO). The KRC is also very grateful for the support it receives from the community. Proceeds from the annual Italian Night in Ottawa support research activities at our centre, and we acknowledge Mr. Mario Frangione and his team for this generous support. The Annual KRC Golf Tournament, organized by Mr. Sam Karkache and his colleagues has provided important funding support for the KRC for more than 10 years. Finally we receive tremendous support via endowed funds for research, including generous donations from Mr and Mrs Botho von Hampeln, the Swedko family, and others. It is only with this assistance and community engagement that we can really make a difference.

What do we expect in the coming year? An important goal of the KRC is to recruit world class scientists to the centre. One of these individuals will assume the Jindal Research Chair for the Prevention of Kidney Disease. A second individual will be a PhD laboratory scientist to focus on enhancing our understanding of basic mechanisms underlying kidney disease and hypertension. Recruitment of these individuals will increase collaborative research efforts amongst all members of the KRC, and will further attract individuals to the centre who seek high quality training.

Kevin D. Burns, MD, FRCPC Professor of Medicine, Division of Nephrology Director, Kidney Research Centre

### Dr. Todd Fairhead's lab



Right: Dr. Todd Fairhead & Andreea Slatculescu

## Dr. Chris Kennedy's lab



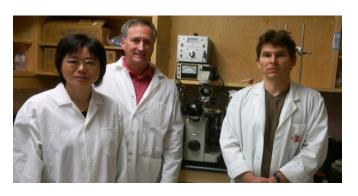
Left to Right: Dr. Harold Majane, Jean-Francois Thibodeau, Dr. Chet Holterman, Dr. Chris Kennedy, Julie Zhu Front Left to Right: Gwendoline Bugnot, Naomi Read

### Dr. Richard Hebert's lab



Left to Right: Dr. Rania Nashralla, Dr. Richard Hebert,
Fadey Farid & Andrew Karam

## Dr. Kevin Burns' lab



Left to Right: Dr. Fengxia Xiao, Dr. Kevin Burns & Joe Zimpelmann

## Dr. Rhian Touyz' lab



Left to Right: Dr. Glaucia Callera, Dr. Ying He, Thiago Bruder, Hiba Yussuf & Dr.Dylan Burger

## Clinical Trials Research staff



Left to right: Edita Delic, Jessica Wagner, Sabrina Hamer, Judy Cheesman, Valerie Cronin, and Scott Mullen

## Technical /Administrative staff



Left to Right: Gabriele Cherton-Horvat, Pauline Messier Anthony Carter & Dr. Alexey Gutsol

## 2. RESEARCH PERSONNEL

## MEMBERS OF DIVISION OF NEPHROLOGY/KIDNEY RESEARCH CENTRE

Name	<u>Title</u>	Scientific Rank
Dr. Ayub Akbari	Associate Professor Division of Nephrology	Associate Investigator, OHRI
Dr. Robert Bell	Associate Professor Division of Nephrology	
Dr. Mohan Biyani	Assistant Professor Division of Nephrology	Clinical Investigator, OHRI
Dr. Pierre Antoine Brown	Assistant Professor Division of Nephrology	
Dr. Ann Bugeja	Assistant Professor Division of Nephrology	
Dr. Kevin D. Burns	Full Professor Division of Nephrology Director of Kidney Research Centre	Senior Scientist, OHRI
Dr. Janet Davis	Assistant Professor Division of Nephrology	
Dr. Cedric Edwards	Assistant Professor Division of Nephrology	
Dr. Todd Fairhead	Assistant Professor Division of Nephrology	Associate Scientist, OHRI
Dr. Richard L. Hébert	Full Professor Dept. of Cellular and Molecular Medicine University of Ottawa	
Dr. Swapnil Hiremath	Assistant Professor Division of Nephrology	Associate Investigator, OHRI
Dr. Stephanie Hoar	Assistant Professor Division of Nephrology	
Dr. Shiv Jindal	Associate Professor Division of Nephrology	
Dr. Jolanta Karpinski	Associate Professor Division of Nephrology	Clinical Investigator, OHRI

Title Scientific Rank Name Senior Scientist, OHRI Dr. Chris Kennedy **Associate Professor** Division of Nephrology Dr. Greg Knoll Professor of Medicine Scientist, OHRI Division of Nephrology Dr. Susan Lavoie **Associate Professor** Clinical Investigator, OHRI Division of Nephrology Dr. David Z. Levine **Emeritus Professor** Affiliate Investigator, OHRI Division of Nephrology **Associate Professor** Dr. Peter Magner Clinical Investigator, OHRI Division of Nephrology Head, Division of Nephrology **Assistant Professor** Clinical Investigator, OHRI Dr. Brendan McCormick Division of Nephrology Dr. Steven Nadler **Associate Professor** Division of Nephrology Dr. Marcel Ruzicka **Associate Professor** Clinical Investigator, OHRI Division of Nephrology Dr. Rhian Touyz Professor of Medicine Senior Scientist, OHRI Division of Nephrology Canada Research Chair in Hypertension Dr. Deborah Zimmerman **Associate Professor** Clinical Investigator, OHRI

#### CONSULTANT FOR DIVISION OF NEPHROLOGY

Name Title

Dr. Soraya Moghadam Consultant

Division of Nephrology

Division of Nephrology

# CLINICAL SCHOLARS, TRAINEES AND FELLOWS

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
1	Dr. Aditya Bhabhe	Clinical Fellow
2	Dr. Ankur Gupta	Clinical Fellow
3	Dr. Gavin Harman	Nephrology Trainee (RCPSC)
4	Dr. Dilip Kirpalani	Clinical Fellow
5	Dr. Amit Langote	Renal Transplant Clinical Fellow
6	Dr. Andrea Mazarova	Clinical Fellow
7	Dr. Amber Molnar	Nephrology Trainee (RCPSC)
8	Dr. Ashish Nandwani	Clinical Fellow
9	Dr. Shobhana Nayak-Rao	Clinical Fellow
10	Dr. Shankar Prasad Nagaraju	Clinical Fellow
11	Dr. Salahuddin Qutube	Clinical Fellow
12	Dr. Nasim Shahbazi	Nephrology Trainee (RCPSC)
13	Dr. Khaled M. Shamseddin	Renal Transplant Clinical Fellow
14	Dr. Hari Talreja	Clinical Fellow
15	Dr. Duy Tran	Renal Transplant Clinical Fellow
16	Dr. Alexandro Zarruck	Nephrology Trainee (RCPSC)

## POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWS

	<u>Name</u>	Project Title	Supervisor
1	Dr. Tayze Antunes	Vascular (patho)biology of TRPM7 chanzymes in hypertension	Dr. R. Touyz
2	Dr. Jonathan Boucher	The role of endothelial-derived microparticles in vascular inflammation	Dr. T. Fairhead
3	Dr. Marie Briet	Role of ACE2 in Vascular function	Dr. K. Burns
		Erythropoietin, vascular function and chronic kidney disease	Dr. R. Touyz
4	Dr. Dylan Burger (KRESCENT Fellowship)	Use of human progenitor cells in acute kidney injury	Dr. K. Burns
	17	Role of epidermal growth factor ligands in micro particle signaling during hypertension	Dr. R. Touyz
5	Dr. Edward (Ted) Clark (Amgen KRC Fellow)	Computerized decision support system for oral anticoagulant dosing in hemodialysis patients	Dr. G. Knoll
6	Dr. Chet Holterman	Podocyte Nox5 in diabetic nephropathy	Dr. C. Kennedy
7	Dr. Harold Majane	Nox5 derived reactive oxygen species in vascular and renal injury during hypertension	Dr. C. Kennedy
8	Dr. Aurelie Nguyen (CIHR Fellowship)	Role of c-Src in aldosterone and Ang II cross-talk in hypertension	Dr. R. Touyz
9	Dr. Mona Sedeek (KRESCENT Fellowship)	The Role of Nox1 and Nox4 in diabetic nephropathy and cardiovascular injury	Dr. R. Touyz Dr. R. Hebert
10	Dr. Alvaro Yogi (HSFC Fellowship)	Magnesium regulation of vascular functioning hypertension : role of TRPM7	Dr. R. Touyz
VISI	TING INTERNATIONAL	PROFESSORS AND STUDENTS	

## VISITING INTERNATIONAL PROFESSORS AND STUDENTS

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Supervisor</u>
1	Ulisses Hipolito	Graduate Student - Brazil	Dr. R. Touyz

## **GRADUATE STUDENTS**

OKADOATE STODENTS		
Name 1 Gwendolyn Bugnot	Project Title Podocyte TP receptors in diabetic	Supervisor Dr. C. Kennedy
	nephropathy.	
2 Renisha Nadarajah (OGST awardee)	The characterization of a transgenic mouse that overexpresses the enzyme ACE2 in the glomerular podocyte.	Dr. K. Burns
3 Naomi Read	Actinin-4 associated FSGS: a role for	Dr. C. Kennedy
4 Andreea Slatculescu	ubiquitin C-terminal hydrolase-1 (UCH-L1). Immunity in patients receiving extended home hemodialysis versus conventional in-center hemodialysis	Dr. Todd Fairhead
5 Jean-Francois Thibodeau	Prostanoid Signaling in Diabetic	Dr. C. Kennedy
(OGST awardee)	Nephropathy	
6 Danielle Zimmerman	The role of Ang(1-7) in a mouse model or renal	Dr. K. Burns
	fibrosis.	Dr. R. Touyz
HONORS STUDENTS		
<u>Name</u>	Project Title	Supervisor
1 Dylan Kwart (NSERC awardee)	Microparticles induce senescence in cultured endothelial cells.	Dr. R. Touyz
2 Andreea Slatculescu	Immunity in patients receiving extended home hemodialysis versus conventional in-center hemodialysis	Dr. T. Fairhead
SUMMER STUDENTS		
<u>Name</u>	Project Title	<u>Supervisor</u>
1 Samih Agaybi	ACE2 shedding in proximal tubular cells.	Dr. K. Burns
2 Shareef Akbari	Coop Summer student	Dr. K. Burns
3 Matt Cwinn	The role of Nox1 in diabetic associated vascular injury.	Dr. R. Touyz
4 Fadey Farid	Role of PGE2 and AVP on sodium channels and AQP2, as well as identification of the targeted receptors.	Dr. R. Hebert
5 Matthew Goodmurphy	Immunity in Patients Receiving Extended Home Hemodialysis Versus Conventional In-Centre Hemodialysis.	Dr. T. Fairhead
6 Andrew Karam	Prostaglandin E2 modulates vasopressin-mediated water and urea transport in mouse terminal IMCD.	Dr. R. Hebert
7 Laura MacLeod	Development of a mouse model of membranous nephropathy.	Dr. C. Kennedy
8 Ryan Seangio (Coop student)	Integrated Science student from Carleton University	Dr. Todd Fairhead
9 Chelsea Towaij	Nox5 in Diabetic Kidney Disease.	Dr. C. Kennedy

## RESEARCH ASSOCIATES

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Supervisor</u>
1	Dr. Glaucia Callera	Dr. R. Touyz
2	Dr. Alexey Gutsol	Dr. K. Burns
3	Dr. Augusto Montezano	Dr. R. Touyz
4	Dr. Rania Nasrallah	Dr. R. L. Hébert
5	Dr. Fengxia Xiao	Dr. K. Burns

## TECHNICAL STAFF

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Supervisor</u>
1	Anthony Carter	Senior Animal Technician	Dr. K. Burns
2	Gabriele Cherton-Horvat	Lab Manager	Dr. K. Burns
3	Dr. Ying He	Senior Laboratory Technician	Dr. R. Touyz
4	Andreea Slatculescu	Junior Research Technician	Dr. T. Fairhead
5	Dr. Kaede Takami	Laboratory Technician	Dr. T. Fairhead
6	Hiba Yusuf	Junior Laboratory Technician	Dr. R. Touyz
7	Lihua Zhu	Laboratory Technician	Dr. C. Kennedy
8	Joseph Zimpelmann	Senior Laboratory Technician	Dr. K. Burns

## CLINICAL RESEARCH STAFF

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	Supervisor
Josee Champagne	Clinical Research Coordinator	J. Cheesman
Judy Cheesman	Clinical Research Manager	Dr. K. Burns
Jennilea Courtney	Clinical Research Coordinator	J. Cheesman
Valerie Cronin	Clinical Research Coordinator	J. Cheesman
Edita Delic	Clinical Research Coordinator	J. Cheesman
Marinda Dixon-Luinenburg	Research Assistant	J. Cheesman
Sabrina Hamer	Clinical Research Coordinator	J. Cheesman
Louise Lebel	BK Study Manager	Dr. G. Knoll
Scott Mullen	Clinical Research Assistant	J. Cheesman
Katrina Pizzino	Research Assistant	J. Cheesman
Jessica Wagner	Clinical Research Assistant II	J. Cheesman
Lindsay Walter	Research Assistant	J. Cheesman
	Josee Champagne Judy Cheesman Jennilea Courtney Valerie Cronin Edita Delic Marinda Dixon-Luinenburg Sabrina Hamer Louise Lebel Scott Mullen Katrina Pizzino Jessica Wagner	Josee Champagne Judy Cheesman Clinical Research Manager Jennilea Courtney Clinical Research Coordinator Valerie Cronin Clinical Research Coordinator Clinical Research Coordinator Edita Delic Clinical Research Coordinator Marinda Dixon-Luinenburg Research Assistant Clinical Research Coordinator Louise Lebel BK Study Manager Scott Mullen Clinical Research Assistant Katrina Pizzino Research Assistant Jessica Wagner Clinical Research Assistant II

## ADMINISTRATIVE RESEARCH STAFF

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Supervisor</u>
Pauline Messier	Research Administrative Assistant	Dr. K. Burns

# 3. PEER-REVIEWED FUNDING

AFP: Academic Health Sciences

AHRQ: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

AUF: Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie

CBS: Canadian Blood Services

CFI: Canada Foundation for Innovation

CIHR: Canadian Institutes of Health Research CRC: Canada Research Chair

CSN: Candian Society of Nephrology

DoM: Department of Medicine, Ottawa Hospital

EC FP7: European Commission FP7

HSFO/HSFC: Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario/Canada

IOF: Infrastructure Operating Funds (Canada Foundation for Innovation)

JDRF: Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

KFOC: Kidney Foundation of Canada

KRESCENT: Kidney Research Scientist Core Education and National Training Program

OGSST: Ontario Graduate Scholarship in Science & Technology

OHRI: Ottawa Hospital Research Institute

PI				Total		Amo	ount for
	Source	Role	Term	amount	Title	2011	1-2012
Dr. A. Akbari					The Accurate Measurement of Glomerular		
	CIHR	Co-App.	2010-12	\$ 253,504	Filtration Rate in Patients with Kidney		
Dr. K. Burns					The Role of Podocyte ACE2 in Non-Diabetic	\$	75,000
	KFOC	PI	2010-12	\$100,000	Kidney Disease		
	KFOC				The Kidney Research Scientist Core		
	OHRI				Education and National Training Program		
	CSN	PI	2005-11	\$5 million	(KRESCENT)		
					Translational Research on the Role of	\$	100,000
	CIHR	PI	2011-12	\$100,000	Tubular ACE2 in Kidney Disease Progression		
					Translational Research on the Role of	\$	44,345
	CIHR	PI	2011-14		Tubular ACE2 in Kidney Disease Progression		
	DoM	PI	2009-12	\$420,000	Dept. of Medicine Research Chair Award	\$	210,000
	IOF	PI	2003-11	\$1.3 million	Infrastructure Operating Funds		
					Adipocytes, aldosterone and vascular function		
	DoM	Co-App.	2010-11	\$21,000	in hypertension.		
					Vascular endothelial Progenitor Cells in	\$	30,000
	DoM	PI	2009-11	\$30,000	Acute Kidney Injury		
Dr. T. Fairhead					The role of RIP2 in experimental	\$	75,000
	KFOC	PI	2009-12	\$150,000	crescentic glomerulonephritis	· .	,
	DoM	PI	2008-11		Recruitment Award	\$	25,000
				,	Immunity in patients receiving extended home	\$	12,500
					hemodialysis versus conventional in-center		,
	DoM	PI	2012	\$25,000	hemodialysis		
Dr. R. L. Hebert					Tubular Dysfunction in Diabetes: Role of	\$	155,870
	CIHR	PI	2012-16	\$779,350	PGE2/EP Receptors	<u> </u>	,
			2012 10	ψ <i>ττο</i> ,220	The role of PPAR gamma in the mice		
	KFOC	PI	2009-11	\$100,000	diabetic collecting duct	\$	25,000
			2009 11	Ψ100,000	Signaling of prostaglandin EP receptors	Ψ	23,000
	CIHR	PI	2006-11	\$604,235	in the diabetic collecting duct	\$	30,211
Dr. S. Hiremath			2000 11	ψου 1,232	Curcumin to Prevent Peri-operative	Ι Ψ	50,211
Di. S. Illiciliani					Complications after Elective Abdominal		
	CIHR	Co-App.	2011-14	\$328,530	Aortic Aneurysm Repair		
	CITIK	Со-дрр.	2011-14	Ψ320,330	<u> </u>		
	ALIDO	Co. Amn	2011	\$162.600	Troponin Cardiac Marker Interpretation		
	AHRQ	Co-App.	2011	·	During Renal Function Impairment	ď	12.000
D 0 11 1		Operations	2012-13	\$42,000	same as above	\$	13,999
Dr. C. Kennedy	CIHR	PI	2009-11	\$333,582	Prostanoid signaling in diabetic nephropathy	\$ 138,99	138,992
					Function of prostaglandin EPreceptor		•
	CIHR	PI	2007-11	\$614,285	subtypes in glomerularnephritis	\$	153,571
			2007 11	Ψ014,203	α-actinin-4 associated FSGS: a role for	\$	75,000
	KFOC	PI	2010-12	\$100,000	ubiquitin C-terminalhydrolase-1 (UCH-L1)	Ψ	15,000

PSI: Physicians Services Incorporated Foundation

U of O: University of Ottawa

Dr. G. Knoll					Optimizing the allocation of high-risk		
	~~~~			4400 000	deceased donor kidneys: A Canadian		
	CIHR	Co-App.	2012-14	\$132,982	perspective  ICES Vidney Dialysis and Transplantation		
	AFP	Co-App	2012	\$138,030	ICES Kidney Dialysis and Transplantation Research Program		
	1111	Сотър	2012	Ψ130,030	Access to and outcomes of kidney		
					transplantation in Ontario: is there a		
	KFoC	PI	2011-13	\$99,838	socioeconomic gradient?	\$	74,880
				. ,	A randomized controlled trial of renal		,
	CIHR	Co-App	2011-15	\$404,250	hypothermia during partial nephrectomy		
					Animals, Humans, and the Continuity of		
	CIHR	Co-App.	2011-14	\$273,952	Evidence: A Study of Clinical Translation		
					The implementation of a computerized		
					decision support system for oral anticoagulant dosing in hemodialysis patients: a study of		
					effectiveness and safety in a high-risk		
	DoM	PI	2011-13	\$60,583	population		
				. ,	Accepting kidneys from older		
					donors: Impact on transplant		
	CIHR	Co-App.	2010-11	\$74,984	recipient outcomes.		
					Effect of immunosuppressive	\$	289,158
	CIHR	PI	2010-15	\$963,864	medication use on patient outcomes following kidney transplant failure.		
			2010 10	ψ, σ,	Quinolone prophylaxis for the	\$	288,416
					prevention of BK virus infection	`	,
	CIHR	PI	2010-12	\$461,464	in kidney transplantation.		
					Novel markers to improve the	\$	57,724
	CIHR	PI	2007-12	\$230,900	detection of declining kidney function.		
					The accurate measurement of	\$	133,091
	CHID	D.	2010 12	<b>#252.504</b>	glomerular filtration rate in patients		
	CIHR	PI	2010-12	\$253,504	with kidney disease. University of Ottawa Centre for Trans-		
	CBS	Co-App.	2010-13	\$559,712	fusion Research Infrastructure support.		
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	U of O		2010-15	\$1 million	·	\$	200,000
	CIHR	Co. Ann	2009-14	\$877,796	Canadian Living Kidney Donor Safety Study		
Dr. M. Ruzicka	CITIK	Co-App.	2009-14	\$677,790	Sympathetic activity in patients with end-stage		
DI. WI. Kuzicka	HSFC	Co-App.	2009-12	\$110,135	renal disease on peritoneal dialysis		
	TIST C	Со прр.	2007 12	Ψ110,133	RAS blockade and sympathetic		
	HSFC	Co-App.	2007-11	\$325,000	hyperactivity in humans post MI		
					Adipocytes, aldosterone and		
	DoM	Co-App.	2010-11	\$21,000	vascular function in hypertension.		
					A comparison of cardiovascular risk between		
	HSFO	Co-App.	2010-11	\$49,887	Chinese & South Asian Canadians & residents of China and India.		
Dr. R. Touyz	1151 0	Со-дрр.	2010-11	ψ+2,007	Vascular (patho)biology of TRPM7	\$	267,300
D1. 10. 10. 10.	CIHR	PI	2010-15	\$891,000	chanzymes in hypertension	Ψ	207,300
					Nox-derived ROS: Renal and vascular		
	JDRF	Co-App.	2010-13	\$1.4 million	complications in type 1 diabetes.		
					Early vascular aging (EVA) hyperten-		
	CIHR	Co-Inv.	2010-11		sion and microparticles		
	CRC		2005-12	\$1.4 million	Canada Research Chair in Hypertension.	\$	300,000
					Nox homologues, redox signaling and	]	
	CIHR	PI	2011-16	\$780,000	vascular biology in hypertension.	\$	195,000
	AUF	Co-Inv.	2011-12	\$99,384	Oxidative stress & complications of diabetes.		
				\$280,000 euros	RADOX - RADical Reduction of Oxidative		
	EC-FP7	Co-App.	2012-16	· ·	stress in cardiovascular diseases		

Dr. D. Zimmerman					A pilot study to develop a predictive tool for		
					assessing the risk of peritoneal dialysis		
	Baxter				technique failure for patients receiving		
	Peer				Peritoneal Dialysis therapy. Clinical Evidence		
	reviewed	Co-Inv.	2011-13	\$130,000	Council – PD		
					Development of a "Phosphate Counting		
	Baxter				Program" on an iTouch to simplify Self-		
	Peer				Management of Dietary Phosphate by Patients		
	reviewed	PI	2012-15	\$156,000	with ESRD Treated with Peritoneal Dialysis	\$	4,333
	icviewed		2012-13	φ130,000	Genetic Markers of Risk in Hemodialysis	Ψ	7,333
	CIHR	Co-App.	2008-13	\$3,625,000	patients		
Dr. M. Briet					Role of ACE2 in Vascular function &	\$	41,666
					Erythropoietin, vascular function and chronic		
	HSFC	Fellowship	2011-12	\$50,000	kidney disease		
Dr. D. Burger		Fellow-			Role of epidermal growth factor ligands in	\$	82,498
	KRESCENT	ship	2010-12	\$110,000	microparticle signalling during hypertension		
Dr. A. Montezano		Fellow-			Role of c-Src in aldosterone and Ang II	\$	6,876
	CIHR	ship	2009-11	\$86,250	cross-talk in hypertension		
R. Nadarajah		Scholar-			The role of podocyte ACE2 in	\$	8,000
J	OGSST	ship	2010-11	\$12,000	diabetic nephropathy		
Dr. A Nguyen		Fellow-			Adipocytes, aldosterone and vascular	\$	65,626
	CIHR	ship	2010-13	\$131,250	biology in hypertension		
Dr. Olebogeng Maj					Nox5 derived oxygen species in vascular	\$	20,000
	CIHR/HOPE	Fellowship	2012-13	\$80,000	and renal injury during hypertension		
Dr. M. Sedeek		Fellow-			Role of Nox4 in the development	\$	82,498
	KRESCENT	ship	2010-12	\$110,000	of diabetic nephropathy		
J.F. Thibodeau		Student-			Prostanoid signaling in diabetic	\$	22,500
	OGSST	ship	2010-12	\$25,000	nephropathy: impact on podocyte health		
Dr. A Yogi		Fellow-			Magnesuum regulation of vascular	\$	20,000
	HSFC	ship	2009-11	\$80,000	function in hypertension: role of TRPM7		

TOTAL OPERATING GRANT: \$2,474,390.00 \*TOTAL SALARY AWARDS: \$849,664.00

#### 4. SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES & ACHIEVEMENTS

### A) PUBLICATIONS 2011-2012

- 1 Costiniuk CT, McCarthy AE, Talreja H, <u>Zimmerman D</u>, Liu TT, Owen E, Angel JB. Acute renal failure and disseminated intravascular coagulation associated with rifampin in tuberculosis treatment. Int J Tuberc Lung Dis. 15(3):421, 2011.
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### C) RESEARCH AWARDS

1	2007-11	NIH Member of Hypertension and Microcirculation Study Section (Dr. R. Touyz).			
2	2008-	Dr. Kevin Burns appointed Chair, Biomedical Scientific Committee, KFOC			
3	2011	Cardiovascular Research Day Award (Dr. T. Antunes from Dr. R. Touyz' lab)			
4	2011	CSN trainee presentation award (2nd place). (Dr. D. Burger from Dr. Touyz' lab)			
5	2011	CSN trainee abstract award (3rd place). (Dr. M. Sedeek from Drs. Touyz & Hébert lab)			
6	2011	CSCI/CIHR Resident Research Prize, Amber Molnar (Nephrology Fellow)			
7	2011	PSI Foundation Resident Research Prize, Amber Molnar (Nephrology Fellow)			
8	2011	The Harold W. Ashenmil Award from The Kidney Foundation of Canada (Dr. K. Burns).			
9	2012	Best oral presentation by a trainee at the Canadian Oxidative Stress Consortium (Dr. Chet Holterman from Dr. Kennedy's lab).			
10	2012	Oral Presentation Award Winner Subspecialty (PGY5) for Resident Research Day: Department of Medicine ( Andrea Mazarova)			
11	2012	Fellow of Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS). (Dr. R. Touyz)			
12	2012	Robert M. Berne Distinguished Lecturer of the American Physiological Society (Dr. R. Tou			

#### D) INVITED PRESENTATIONS 2011

- 1 2011- McCormick B EuroPD APD Symposium, Clinical Cases in APD, Birmingham, UK
- 2 2011 <u>McCormick B</u> Sunnybrook Nephrology Rounds, Resistant Hypertension in CKD: A Role for Aldosterone Blockade, Toronto, Canada.
- 3 January 11, 2011 <u>Touyz RM</u> Adipocytes and vascular (patho)biology: role of the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system. Cardiology Rounds. Univ of Toronto, Canada.
- 4 January 19, 2011- <u>Touyz RM.</u> Adipocytes, vascular pathobiology and the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system. Endocrinology Grand Rounds. Brigham and Women's Hospital. Boston, USA.
- 5 January 18-20 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Novel concepts in aldosterone signaling and networking with angiotensin II. Richard Underwood Memorial Visiting Professorship. Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School. Boston, USA.
- 6 January 20, 2011- <u>Touyz RM</u>. Adipocytes, vascular biology and aldosterone clinical implications. Cardiology Grand Rounds. Brigham and Women's Hospital. Boston. USA.
- 7 March 2, 2011 **Knoll G**. ABC's of Clinical Trial Design. Canadian Society of Transplantation American Society of Transplantation Distinguished Fellows Research Symposium. Canadian Society of Transplantation Annual Meeting. Mont-Tremblant, Quebec, Canada.
- 8 March 16-17, 2011 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Novel signaling in hypertension. Vascular Biology Center of the Medical College of Georgia. USA.
- 9 April 5, 2011 Burns K. 51. IFKF Vancouver Int. Mtg. KRESCENT 2011. Vancouver, BC. Canada.
- 10 April 7-8, 2011 Burns K. 51. KRESCENT Workshop. Vancouver, BC. Canada.
- April 9, 2011- <u>Knoll G</u>. Should Proteinuria be a Target for Therapy in Transplant Patients? World Congress of Nephrology, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.
- 12 April 10, 2011 <u>Akbari A</u>. Interpretation and use of eGFR in clinical practice. World Congress of Nephrology (conducted by International Society of Nephrology). Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- 13 April 22, 2011 **Zimmerman D**. Conventional Hemodialysis at the Canadian Society of Nephrology Annual meeting, Vancouver, BC. Canada.
- 14 April 29, 2011 <u>Knoll G</u> Science of Clinical Trial Design I Principals of Study Design. American Society of Transplantation Clinical Trials Symposium. Philadelphia, PA, USA.
- 15 April 28-30, 2011 <u>Touyz RM.</u> New concepts relating to aldosterone and its signaling in vascular biology. Vasoactive Peptide meeting. Ouro Preto, Minas Gerais, Brazil.
- 16 May 1, 2011- <u>Knoll G</u>. Surrogate Endpoints in Transplantation Workshop. 2011 American Transplant Congress. Philadelphia, PA, USA.
- 17 May 1-3, 2011 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Magnesium in Clinical Medicine. American Soc Pediatric Research. Denver, Colorado, USA.
- 18 May 26, 2011 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Reactive oxygen species, redox signaling and vascular biology. Canadian Society of Pharmacology and Therapeutics. Montreal.
- June 8-10, 2011 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Magnesium and menopause. EuroMag Bologna 2011, International Society of Development of Research on Magnesium (SDRM). Bologna San Giovanni in Monte, Italy.
- 20 September 7-9, 2011 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Nox, ROS and hypertension. 17th Paavo Nurmi Symposium, Finland.
- 21 September 14-17, 2011 **Burns K**. 57. XLV National Congress of Nephrology. ACE2 in The Kidney. Acapulco, Guerrero. Mexico
- 22 September 14-17, 2011 <u>Burns K</u>. 57. XLV National Congress of Nephrology. The KRESCENT Program: A National Research Training Inititative. Acapulco, Guerrero. Mexico

- 23 September 17-18, 2011 <u>Knoll G</u>. Donation after Cardiac Death: Kidney. 2011 Canadian Transplant Fellows Symposium, Toronto, Canada.
- 24 September 24-26, 2011 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Oxidative Stress and Hypertension Current Challenges and Future. High Blood Pressure Research Council, AHA. Orlando, USA.
- 25 October 2-4, 2011 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Assessment of ROS in cardiovascular biology. Hypertension Canada. Toronto, Canada.
- 26 October 12-14, 2011 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Thioredoxin dysregulation in FORKO mice, a model of menopause-associated hypertension. Physiology of Cardiovascular Disease Sex disparities, American Society of Physiology. Mississippi. USA.
- 27 October 23-24, 2011- <u>Touyz RM.</u> Oxidative stress, Noxs and hypertension experimental evidence and clinical controversies. Andre Aisenstadt Clinical Day, Jewish General Hospital, Montreal, Canada.
- November 9, 2011 <u>Knoll G</u>. Geriatric Kidney Transplantation. Early Program, Advances in Geriatric Nephrology. American Society of Nephrology Annual Scientific Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, USA.
- 29 November 12-16, 2011 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Best of AHA Specialty Conferences High Blood Pressure Research. AHA Scientific Sessions, Orlando. USA.
- 30 November 12-16, 2011 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Clinical Conundrums in Hypertension Pathobiology of Hypertension. AHA Scientific Sessions, Orlando. USA.
- 31 December 12-13, 2011 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Role of aldosterone in the cross-talk between adipocytes and vascular funcation. European Aldosterone Meeting. Paris.
- December 19-11, 2011 **Burns K.** 61. KRESCENT Workshop Presentation. Montreal, QC, Canada.
- December 13, 2011 **Fairhead T**. Influenza Immunization in Kidney Transplant Recipients: Balancing Risks and Benefits. City-wide Nephrology Rounds. Hotel Dieu University of Montreal, Canada.
- 34 December 13, 2011 <u>Fairhead T.</u> New Advances in the Pathogenesis of Rapidly Progressive Glomerulonephritis. City-wide Nephrology Research Rounds. Hotel Dieu University of Montreal, Montreal
- 35 January 24-25, 2012 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Animal Models of Cardiovascular Disease. Health Science Scotland, Edinburgh, UK.
- 36 January 25-27, 2012 <u>Knoll G.</u> Non-Immunologic Means to Preserve Graft Function: Current Evidence and Recommendations. Recent Advances in Renal Transplantation Kuwait 2011. Kuwait City
- 37 January 25-27, 2012 <u>Knoll G</u>. Proteinuria Following Renal Transplantation. Recent Advances in Renal Transplantation Kuwait 2011. Kuwait City.
- February 7, 2012 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Adipocytes, vascular biology and aldosterone clinical implications Clinical Pharmacology Grand Rounds, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville.
- 39 February 7, 2012 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Vascular biology of TRPM7. Vanderbilt Vascular Biology Lecture Series, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville. USA.
- February 9, 2012 **Burns K.** Enhancing Angiotensin-converting enzyme 2: a potential therapy for diabetic nephropathy? Sunnybrook Hospital. Nephrology Grand Rounds. Toronto, Canada.
- 41 February 25, 2012 <u>Knoll G</u>. Study Design Considerations Feasibility, Outcome Measures, Monitoring Impact, Translation of Results. CST Special Forum Financial Incentives to Increase the Number of Organs available for Transplantation: Exploring Canadian Considerations and Possibilities for Research. CST 2012 Annual Scientific Meeting. Quebec City, Canada.
- 42 January 24-25, 2012 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Animal Models of Cardiovascular Disease. Health Science Scotland, Edinburgh . UK.

- 43 February 13-16, 2012 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Oxidative stress and hypertension Experimental Evidence and Clinical Controversies. Advanced Medicine, Royal College of Physicians, London, Ontario, Canada.
- 44 February26 Mar 2, 2012 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Angiotensin beyond the cardiovascular system. ANG Gordon Conference, Ventura. USA.
- 45 March 18, 2012 <u>Hebert RL</u>. Diabetic Research and Training Center (DRTC), Vanderbilt University, Nashville TN. USA.
- 46 April, 2012 Zimmerman D. Making the Grade. Canadian Society of Nephrology Annual Scientific Meeting in Newfoundland, Canada.
- 47 April 27, 2012 <u>Knoll G</u>. Regional Differences in Living Donors. Canadian Society of Nephrology Annual Scientific Meeting., Newfoundland, Canada.
- 48 April 19, 2012- <u>Touyz RM</u>. Microparticles a new player in redox signalling. SFB 815 Seminar Series "Seminars in Redox Signalling" Frankfurt University, Germany.
- 49 April 21, 2012 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Novel paradigms in vascular biology: Oxidative stress, TRPM cation channels and microparticles. MVP Program Tokyo.
- 50 April 22-25, 2012 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Robert M. Berne Distinguished Lectureship. American Physiological Society. San Diego. USA.
- 51 April 25-27, 2012 **Burns K.** KRESCENT workshop, St. John's Newfoundland, Canada.
- 52 April 26-29, 2012 <u>Touyz RM</u>. ESH 2012, "Oxidative stress and hypertension experimental evidence and clinical conundrums" London, England, UK.
- 53 May 8-9, 2012 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Magnesium in Clinical Medicine. International Magnesium Symposium, Göttingen University, Göttingen, Germany.
- 54 May 14, 2012 <u>Touyz RM</u>. Visiting Faculty Seminar Series, University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain.
- 55 June 2012 <u>Kennedy C.</u> Gordon Research Conference "Nox Family NADPH Oxidases: NOX Biology and its Translation to Human Disease and Therapy", Waterville Valley, NH, USA.
- June 3-8, 2012 <u>Touyz RM</u>. NOX-derived ROS, insulin signaling, and diabetic pathologies. Nox Gordon Conference. New Hampshire. USA.
- 57 June 24-29 <u>Touyz RM.</u> Receptor signaling pathways in smooth muscle cell. FASEB Smooth Muscle Conference. Snowmass Village. Colorado, USA.
- 58 June 27-30, 2012 <u>Knoll G.</u> Invited Speaker, Postgraduate Course and Annual Scientific Meeting, Transplantation Society of Australia and New Zealand (TSANZ).

### E) VISITING SCHOLARS 2011

- 1 January 18, 2011 <u>Prof. Jan Staessen, MD, PhD, FESC, FAHA</u>. Professor of Medicine, Division of Hypertension and Cardiovascular rehabilitation, Department of Cardiovascular Diseases at the University of Leuven presented "Ambulatory blood pressure measurement for risk stratification of cardiovascular risk Results from an international database." at the Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 2 February 22, 2011 **Dr. Andrew Pipe, CM, MD**, Professor, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ottawa, Chief, Division of Prevention and Rehabilitation, University of Ottawa Heart Institute presented "Smoking Cessation 2011: What Every Clinician Should Know" at Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 3 March 10, 2011 <u>Kathy Griendling Ph.D, DOM</u> Professor and Vice Chair for Faculty Development, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, USA presented "Differential Roles of NADPH Oxidases in Vascular Function" at the Kidney Research Centre, Journal Club.
- 4 March 14, 2011 <u>Graham Wagner PhD</u>, Department of Physiology & Pharmacology, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Western, Ontario, presented "Stanniocalcin and renal function: a long and winding road" at the Kidney Research Centre, Journal Club.
- 5 March 29, 2011 <u>Branko Braam, MD, PhD, FASN</u>. Internist/Nephrologist, Associate Professor of Medicine, Adjunct Associate Porfessor of Physiology, Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada New Investigator, University of Alberta Hospital, Department of Medicine/Division of Nephrology and Immunology presented "Circulating Cells and AngII: Friend or Foe?" at the Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 6 May 19, 2011 <u>Dr. Timothy Reudelhuber</u>, Professor, University of Montreal, Associate Member Department of Medicine, Division of Experimental Medicine, presented "Angiotensin 1-7: A new target for cardio-renal therapy" at the Kidney Research Centre, Journal Club.
- 7 May 24, 2011 **David Mendelssohn, MD, FRCPC**. Chief/Physician Director, Department of Nephrology, Humber River Regional Hospital, Lead, Research and Innovation of the Ontario Renal Networ, Professor of Medicine, University of Toronto presented "Stimulating Evidence Generation in Nephrology: A New Role for the Ontario Renal Network" at Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 8 May 31 2011 <u>Radko Komers, MD, PhD,</u> Assistant Professor of Medicine, Oregon Health and Science University, Associate Professor of Medicine, Charles' University, Prague presented "Nephroprotective Effects of Inhibition of Rho-ROCK Pathway in Diabetes" at Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 9 June 8, 2011 <u>Markus Schlaich, MD</u>, Head, Neurovascular Hypertension & Kidney Disease laboratory, Director at Baker Hypertension Network, A/Professor of Medcine, Monash University in Melbourne, Australia presented "Catheter-based renal denervation: Implications for cardiovascular and renal disease." at the Ottawa Hospital Medical Grand Rounds (Sourirajan Lecture).
- 10 June 21, 2011- <u>Michael Rauchman, MD</u>, Associate Professor, Internal Medicine, Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine, St-Louis University School of Medicine, Section Chief, Nephrology at St-Louis VA Medical Center presented "Kidney Development and Disease: Concepts and Questions." at

- 11 July 7, 2011 Marie Briet, MD, PhD, Clinical research fellow in the Department of Medicine, McGill University, Jewish General Hospital, Montreal, presented "Large and small artery remodeling in Chronic Kidney Disease" at the Kidney Research Centre Journal Club.
- 12 September 20, 2011 <u>Matthew Oliver, MD, MHS, FRCPC</u>, Division of Nephrology, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, University of Toronto, presented "Benchmarking Dialysis Practice at the Ottawa Hospital" at Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 13 November 22, 2011 Glen Geiger, MD. Medical Director and CCIO, Information Services Department, The Ottawa Hospital, presented "Electronic Medication Reconciliation" at the Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 14 November 29, 2011 **Brenda Hemmelgarn, MD, PhD, FRCPC**, Associate Professor Department of Medicine and Department of Community Health Sciences, Foothills Hospital and University of Calgary, presented "Use of Computerized Data for Health Services Research: The Alberta Kidney Disease Network" at the Ottawa Hospital Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 15 December 13, 2011- <u>Vanita Jassal, MCs, Bchir, MB, MD</u>, Associate Professor, Medicine at the University of Toronto, presented "To Dialyze or Not; With danger it's Fraught" at the Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 16 March 22, 2012 Andrey Cybulsky, MD, Professor Department of Medicine, Division of Experimental MedicineAt The Research Institute of the McGill University Health Centre, Montreal, Que, presented "Ste20-like kinase, SLK: mechanisms of action and role in kidney cell injury" at the Kidney Research Centre Journal Club.
- 17 March 27, 2012 <u>John Penning, MD, FRCPC</u>, Medical Director, Acute Pain Services, The Ottawa Hospital, Associate Professor, Department of Anesthesiology, University of Ottawa, presented "Above and Beyond the Basic Analgesia Ladder for Acute Pain" at the Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 18 April 10, 2012 <u>Heather N. Reich, MD, CM, PhD, FRCPC</u>, Nephrologist, Clinical Scientist at the University Health Network, University of Toronto, presented "The Application of Omics to Clinical Nephrology" at the Ottawa Hospital Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 19 April 17, 2012 **Daniel Bichet, MD, MSC, FACP**, Canada Research Chair on Genetics of Kidney Disease, Professor in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Montreal, presented "Investigation and Treatment of Hyponatremia" at the Ottawa Hospital Nephrology Grand Rounds.
- 20 June 1, 2012 <u>Tomoko Takano, MD,PhD,</u> Associate Professor, Dept of Medicine, Associate member Department of Physiology, McGill University in Montreal presented "Role of RhoGTPases in the pathogenesis of proteinuria" at the Kidney Research Centre Journal Club.