



The Centre for Blood Research Seminar Series



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“Hemoglobinopathies ‘Newer approach to an old disease’”

Thalassemia and other hemoglobinopathies are historical diseases that are widely distributed across the world. With immigration trends and moving populations these diseases have been more recognized in Canada and particularly in British Columbia. More recently a newer interest and approach has been developed for these patients. The Adult Hemoglobinopathy program of BC has been established in 2009. The program gets new referrals from different parts on BC and Yukon hospitals, family physicians and transitioned from BC Children’s Hospital. The program works in close relation with the provincial program of Hemosiderosis that manages patients on the iron chelation desferrioxamine. The Hemoglobinopathy program of BC has been recognized lately by the Ministry of Health and funded through Provincial Blood Coordinating Office in conjunction with the bleeding disorder program in BC. The new name for both expanding programs is “BC Inherited Bleeding and Red Cell Disorders Services- BCIBRCD”

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