



The UBC Centre for Blood Research

The 12th annual Norman Bethune symposium

SAVE the DATE!!



Thursday, April 18, 2024 – 8 am-5 pm

Venue: UBC Robson Square, 800 Robson St, Vancouver, BC Canada V6Z



Dr. (Henry) Norman Bethune (1890-1939) was a Canadian physician who in the 1930s spearheaded the implementation of the first practical mobile blood collection and distribution system and promoted universal access to health care. This symposium is held in his honour and will be informative and entertaining, with participation a full range of scientists, clinicians, paramedical personnel, health professionals and patients.

Draft Program

Chair, Edward Conway, MD, PhD, Professor of Medicine

Stephen Withers, PhD, Professor Emeritus, UBC Chemistry

Inaugural "Don Brooks and Dana Devine Transfusion Science Innovation Address"

Blood for all: Making universal blood through enzymes (30')

Christian Kastrup, PhD, Professor, Medical College of Wisconsin, Versiti Blood Research Institute

Advanced technologies and novel therapeutics to treat blood disorders (20')

Ilene C. Weitz, MD, Professor, Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California

Advances in mechanisms underlying and treating cold agglutinin disease (20')

Geraldine Walsh, PhD, Scientist, Canadian Blood Services netCAD Blood4Research

Perspectives on a career in blood sciences (20')

Cedric Carter, MD, Professor Emeritus, UBC Pathology and Lab Medicine

The remarkable careers of Don Brooks and Dana Devine (10')

Katerina Pavenski, MD, Head, Transfusion Medicine, St. Michaels Hospital, U of Toronto

Advances in prediction and management of immune thrombotic thrombocytopenia purpura (20')

Ishac Nazy, PhD, Associate Professor of Medicine, McMaster University

New insights into the mechanisms underlying heparin induced thrombocytopenia/thrombosis (20')

Patient presentations (2)

Trainee presentations - oral and posters

Travel awards

QUESTIONS? Stay tuned for more information at www.cbr.ubc.ca

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