

## **Cole Foundation injects \$536,000 to bolster leukemia research in Montreal**

New fellowship grants in pediatric leukemia research to be created at  
Université de Montréal and McGill University

**Montreal, May 14, 2010** —Researchers at Université de Montréal and McGill University will receive an additional \$536,000 in fellowship grants to bolster research in the area of pediatric and young adult leukemia and lymphoma, thanks to the Cole Foundation. This new support builds on the Cole Foundation's Fellowship Programme, which was created 4 years ago to encourage young researchers in search of a cure for pediatric leukemia and related diseases. This year, the Cole Foundation has pledged another \$536,000 to propel the work of 11 more Cole Fellows. Since 2007, the Cole Foundation has generously funded over 60 post-doctoral and graduate research fellowships.

“The faculties of medicine at the Université de Montréal and McGill University, along with the Institut Armand-Frappier, produce scientists who are at the forefront of the international battle against pediatric leukemia,” said Barry Cole, president of the Cole Foundation. “These new investments, coupled with our ongoing Cole Fellowships, will serve as important tools to empower tomorrow’s scientists – right here in Montreal – so they may find new ways to conquer pediatric leukemia and related diseases.”

### **2010 Cole Fellows**

Of the 11 new recipients announced for 2010, 6 will work at Université de Montréal-affiliated institutions: the Institute for Research in Immunology Cancer (IRIC), Sainte-Justine University Hospital Research Center and Maisonneuve-Rosemont Hospital. At McGill, 5 Cole Fellows will work from the affiliated McGill University Health Centre and Lady Davis Research Centre of the Jewish General Hospital. The newly announced 2010 Cole Fellows are:

- **Aurélie Baguette**, Post-PhD program, Université de Montréal
- **Cédric Carli**, Post-PhD program, Université de Montréal
- **Kimberley Doucette**, Masters program, McGill University
- **Benjamin Neveu**, Masters program, Université de Montréal
- **Jessica Nichol**, PhD program, McGill University
- **Torsten Nielsen**, PhD program, McGill University
- **Alexandre Orthwein**, PhD program, Université de Montréal
- **Danielle de Verteuil**, PhD program, Université de Montréal
- **Krystal Vincent**, Masters program, Université de Montréal
- **David X. Q. Wang**, Masters program, McGill University
- **Ryan Weist**, PhD program, McGill University

**About the Cole Foundation**

The Cole Foundation offers two-year fellowships to clinical, postdoctoral and graduate scientists dedicated to research in leukemia and leukemia-related diseases in children and young adults. Through its fellowships, the Cole Foundation has committed more than \$5 million to support leukemia researchers in Greater Montreal laboratories and hospitals. The Cole Foundation was created in 1980 by the late businessman John N. Cole to support Montreal-based research in pediatric oncology and hematology. He established the Penny Cole Laboratory at the Montreal Children's Hospital and the Jack Cole Chair in Pediatric Oncology and Hematology at McGill University.

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About the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Medicine: [www.med.umontreal.ca](http://www.med.umontreal.ca)

About McGill University's Faculty of Medicine: [www.medicine.mcgill.ca](http://www.medicine.mcgill.ca)

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