

Department of

Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery

University of Ottawa

We hope that everyone had a restful holiday season. It was a pleasure to see familiar faces at our Departmental Christmas Party. We are excited to start off the new year with a few announcements.

Firstly, we would like to congratulate *Dr. Ryan Rourke* on his well deserved new appointment with the University of Ottawa as an Assistant Professor. Next, we are looking forward to our CaRMS interview day this January 22nd. We invite any interested faculty to attend our pre-interview social at *Sidedoor* on January 21st at 7:00 PM. Finally, we would like to announce that we have reviewed the results of our recent survey regarding our Departmental newsletter. We will be implementing some of the recommended changes in upcoming issues. We wish everyone a successful 2018!

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH



Left: Congratulations to Dr. Ryan Rourke and his recent appointment with the University of Ottawa as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Surgery!

Below: Residents from the Department of Otolaryngology at the annual Christmas Dinner. Pictured from left to right: Dr. Kristina Pulkki (PGY3), Dr. Mark Bastianelli (PGY4), Dr. Ali Jafar (PGY1), Dr. Nicole Lebo (PGY4), Dr. Andre Le (PGY3), Dr. Idris Samad (PGY2), Dr. Ross Campbell (PGY5), Dr. Alexandra Quimby (PGY2), Dr. Corliss Best (PGY1), and Dr. Scott Kohlert (PGY5).



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 12 – Resident Half Day –
Anatomy of Ear and Temporal
Bone; Temporal Bone Radiology:
CT and MRI

Dr. David Schramm, MD FRCSC

Jan 19 – Resident Mandible
Plating Course

*Dr. Kevin Butterfield, DDS MD
FRCD(C)*

Jan 21 – PGY1/PGY2 Inner City
Health Oral Cancer Screening

Centre 507 (507 Bank Street)

12:00 to 4:30 PM

Dr. Ryan Rourke, MD FRCSC

Jan 21 – CaRMS Pre-Interview
Social Event

Sidedoor Restaurant, Lower Bar

Starting at 7:00 PM

20 York St., Byward Market

Jan 22 – CaRMS Interviews

Jan 26 – Resident Sinus Course

Dr. Shaun Kilty, MD FRCSC

Feb 7 – Departmental Journal Club

Location to be determined

Welcome to our new Fellows

We are excited to welcome 3 new Fellows to our Department.

Dr. Redha Alrumaih and Dr. Fahad Altamimi will be joining us as our new Otology fellows, and Dr. Mohammad Al Ahmari will be joining us as our new Rhinology fellow. Welcome to Ottawa!



Dr. Mohammad Al Ahmari

Mohammad graduated from the King Faisal University Medical School in Saudi Arabia, and then completed the Saudi board of ORL-HNS in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. During his residency, he found the practice of rhinology and anterior skull base surgery to be stimulating, enjoyable, and incredibly challenging. He hopes to further refine his technical skills in this area during his fellowship. In his spare time, he enjoys playing football (Soccer) and spending time with his friends.



Dr. Redha Alrumaih

Redha is a graduate of King Faisal University (recently renamed Imam Abdulrahman bin Faisal University), Dammam- Saudi Arabia with a second honours degree. He completed his residency training in Saudi Arabia and completed both Saudi and Arab boards in ORL-HNS. His second child was recently born one month prior to his arrival in Ottawa for his Otology Fellowship. In his spare time, Redha is an avid foot ball player and likes to travel.



Dr. Fahad Altamimi

Fahad completed his residency training at King Saud Medical City in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. He obtained a King Saud University Fellowship (KSUF) and completed both the Saudi and Arab boards in ORL-HNS. He will be starting his fellowship in Otology.



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GRAND ROUNDS

Jan 10 – Laryngeal Reinnervation:
A Unique Management Strategy for
Recurrent Laryngeal Nerve Injuries

*Dr. Elise Graham, MD, FRCSC
Pediatric Otolaryngology Fellow
University of Utah*

Jan 17 – Interesting Case Rounds
Resident Led

Jan 24 – Update on Testing in
Ménière's Disease: What's Hot and
what's Not

Dr. Darren Tse, MD, FRCSC

Jan 31 – Mucopolysaccharidosis:
A Unique Airway Challenge

Dr. Ryan Rourke, MD, FRCSC

DEPARTMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE

We will now be featuring one of the members of our Department every month! If you haven't already done so, please fill out the brief, **3-question** questionnaire below for inclusion in upcoming issues. It should only take a few minutes.

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Have something you would like to have included in the upcoming Newsletter? Contact the editors at kevan.lu@gmail.com or at kristina.pulkki@gmail.com

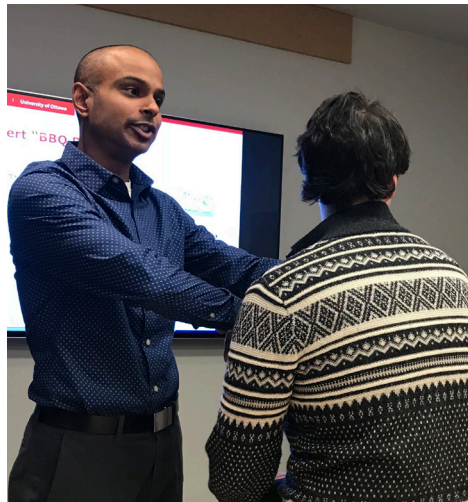


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NEWSLETTER SURVEY RESULTS

We would like to thank everyone who took the time to complete our newsletter survey. Below is a summary of what you told us:

1. **73%** of respondents to our survey were either very satisfied or somewhat satisfied with our monthly newsletter, and **87%** of respondents always read our monthly issues.
2. Respondents were mostly satisfied with the newsletter's length, images, and design but would like more content.
3. Major themes for areas for improvement included:
 - More academic and research content
 - Spotlights/interviews of staff and residents
 - More comprehensive coverage of events within the department
4. We are pleased to announce that we will be adding a **Staff Spotlight** and **Research Corner** to our upcoming newsletters, starting with our February 2018 issue. Look forward to hearing more!



Top Left: PGY3 Dr. Kristina Pulkki and PGY1 Dr. Corliss Best practicing their Epley maneuvers at our Academic Half Day on BPPV with Dr. Darren Tse.

Top Right: Physiotherapist Sandeep Kulkarni demonstrating the Liberatory/Semont maneuver for posterior canal cupulolithiasis with PGY5 Dr. Ross Campbell.

Centre Left: Our residents at their holiday Christmas dinner.

Centre Right: 6NW nurse Brian celebrating at the 6OBS/6NW staff holiday party.

Bottom Left: Dr. Schramm, Emily Greevy, and Shelly Armstrong presenting Dr. Ahmed Alshehri with a fellowship graduation gift.

Bottom Right: Dr. Jean-Philippe Vaccani passing along some holiday wishes.