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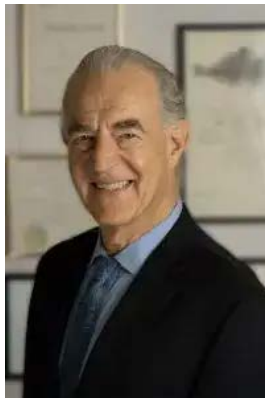
Reminder of Annual Giving: Your support to Osteoporosis Canada makes a huge difference in helping Canadians protect their bone health and reduce the risk of devastating fractures. As a member of the SAC you are reminded that the SAC Terms of Reference states that each member provides an annual donation to Osteoporosis Canada.

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Dr. Earl Bogoch Appointed as Member of the Order of Canada

Osteoporosis Canada is pleased to share Dr. Earl Bogoch has been appointed as Member of the Order of Canada. The Order of Canada is the cornerstone of the Canadian Honours System. Presented by The Governor General, Her Excellency the Right Honourable Mary Simon, it recognizes outstanding achievement, dedication to the community and service to the nation.

Dr. Bogoch, an orthopaedic surgeon is renowned in the field of fracture prevention, having developed the Fracture Screening and Prevention Program. He has been an active member of Osteoporosis Canada's Scientific Advisory Council serving on its many committees including the executive committee and his model of care has been implemented in hospitals across Canada. As the inaugural Brookfield Chair in Fracture Prevention, he has improved patient outcomes nationally and internationally through his clinical research.



Congratulations to Dr. Earl Bogoch on this well-deserved and prestigious honour

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American Association of Clinical Endocrinology Outstanding International Clinician Award

Dr. Aliya Khan was presented with the AACE Outstanding International Clinician Award in May of 2025. Aliya led the development of global guidelines for x-Linked Hypophosphatemia which were endorsed by 21 International and national societies, and also the Hypoparathyroidism guidelines which were endorsed by 60 international and national societies. She is also involved in developing novel therapies for parathyroid diseases.

This award is presented to a clinical endocrinologist practicing outside of the U.S. in recognition of dedicated and compassionate care provided to patients with endocrine diseases, exceptional knowledge, and expertise in the field of clinical endocrinology, and active advocacy of their mission in both professional and public environments.

Congratulations Aliya

The Osteoporosis Canada Tim Murray Short-Term Training Awards

These awards provide successful individuals the opportunity to learn more about osteoporosis, advance existing research skills in osteoporosis and/or present their research at a scientific meeting.

The spring recipients are:



Bryn Matheson

Bryn Matheson is a PhD Candidate in the Biomedical Engineering Graduate Program at the University of Calgary, working under the supervision of Dr. Steven Boyd. Bryn's research focuses on augmenting osteoporosis screening and fracture risk assessment by repurposing clinical computed tomography (CT) scans to identify individuals who may be at risk of a fragility fracture. By developing computational tools that extract bone density and strength metrics from routine CT scans, she aims to help identify patients who may benefit from further osteoporosis evaluation and intervention.

Bryn is honoured to receive the Tim Murray Training Award. This award will provide Bryn with the opportunity to attend and present her research at a leading international medical imaging conference, connect with experts in the field, and gain valuable feedback to advance her work toward real-world clinical application.



Rachel Szwimer

Rachel Szwimer is an Internal Medicine Resident at McGill University and a graduate of McGill Faculty of Medicine, Master of Science with a thesis in chronic pain in adolescents, and Bachelor of Science in Physiology. Rachel has a particular interest in osteoporosis and bone health which led her to her current research endeavour. Under the supervision of Dr. Suzanne Morin, her research focuses on understanding the perceptions of young adults with type 1 diabetes towards bone health and exercise. Her project aims to emphasize the knowledge gaps and barriers to exercise participation that must be addressed to improve bone health in this vulnerable population. Rachel is incredibly grateful to have received the Osteoporosis Canada Tim Murray Training Award. This award allows for the unique opportunity to share her research with an international audience and learn from others passionate about bone health at the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (ASBMR) conference 2025.

Osteoporosis Canada's Response to a Recent Publication About Osteostrong

In February 2025, a new article was published in the Journal of Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism (JCEM) regarding OsteoStrong. Osteoporosis Canada released a rapid response position statement to address the publication on March 26, 2025.

Several researchers wrote letters to the editor asking for it to be retracted because of problems with the research and reporting. On June 24, 2025, the article was replaced with a new article that was edited by the authors in response to the letters. Our team revised our rapid response click below.

[Click To Read The Full Rapid Response](#)

OC's Canadian Musculoskeletal Conference - Save The Date!

Osteoporosis Canada is once again hosting the 2026 CMC. This hybrid event will be led by national experts in osteoporosis and musculoskeletal health and rare bone disease. For the agenda, please refer to the CMC website. Registration will begin in September.

Date: March 27, 2026

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Fragility Fracture Network Canada Congress

The Fragility Fracture Network Canada Congress will be held on March 28, 2026 in Toronto, Ontario at the Marriott Downtown, CF Toronto Eaton Centre. The theme, "From Fracture to Function: Multidisciplinary Management of Fragility Fractures", highlights our commitment to advancing multidisciplinary care for fragility fractures through global collaboration, enhanced organizational strategies and leadership in orthogeriatric care. This premier event will showcase cutting-edge research, evidence-based practices, and innovations—bridging global expertise with local needs. We hope this Congress serves as a catalyst for progress—fostering a strong network of experts and building upon the outstanding work already happening across the region. For more information, please visit the website at: <https://fragilityfracturenetwork.org/ffn-canada-congress>

OsNET conference "Clinical Research in Bone"

Please join us for a 1-day OsNET conference "Clinical Research in Bone"

Date: March 26, 2026

Location: Toronto, ON

Time: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Application deadline: TBD - Fall 2025

Eligibility: Trainees and Early Career Researchers who are members of OsNET. Program: to be announced

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