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## Message from the President

It is an honor to serve as President of CSPS. I remember attending my first CSPS Symposium in the spring of 2003 with two of my graduate students. At that time, I was wrapping up my initial year as a new tenure-track professor. I had high hopes that attending the symposium would help me start to build a network and community of scientists to be a part of and contribute to. Looking back today, almost seventeen years later, I am amazed by how many friendships, colleagues, mentors and collaborators are somehow rooted in my having consistently attended the CSPS symposium over the years. I feel very much connected to this community, and for that I am grateful.

2020 is an exciting year for CSPS with our annual symposium being held as part of the [7th FIP Pharmaceutical Sciences World Congress \(PSWC2020\)](#). Join us in Montreal from May 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> 2020 for this can't miss event that is focused on 'smart therapeutics for a complex world'. If you are a trainee, PSWC has two full days of tailored offerings for you ([YSC program](#)) followed by CSPS' industry day which provides networking opportunities and a window into distinct career paths. To join our active CSPS Young Scientist Network, please contact Kayla Kitselman ([kkitselman@mun.ca](mailto:kkitselman@mun.ca)).

In 2020, we welcome a number of new directors to the board including Dr. Lesia Babiak, Dr. Ildiko Badea, Dr. Neal Davies and Kayla Kitselman. I look forward to working with the board and our members to promote excellence in research, innovation and training in pharmaceutical sciences. If you are interested in becoming more involved in CSPS please reach out to us. We are always in need of more active members and are open to your suggestions for improvements to CSPS and its offerings.

Christine Allen, PhD

## **Not ONE but TWO Successful Workshops in 2019!**

CSPS was very pleased to help organize TWO workshops in the Fall of 2019. We anticipate we will be organizing more workshops in 2020 - hopefully you can join us!

### ***Excipients Workshop: Regulatory, Compliance and Bioequivalence*** **September 20, 2019**

A Joint CSPS/Health Canada/IPEC-Americas workshop attracted over 130 attendees and offered the opportunity to hear speaker presentations and to dialogue on issues of excipient science and their regulatory requirements. Workshop session topics included:

- Excipient Composition and Variability - Impact on QbD and Performance: The Need for Robust Formulation
- Excipient Qualification, Supply Chain Security and Appropriate GMPs
- Excipient Stability - Different Approaches for Excipients
- Novel Excipient Innovation in Drug Development
- Excipients for Use in Biologics
- Excipients for Use in Pediatrics

Many thanks to our sponsors of the Excipient Workshop: Colorcon, BASF, Innomar Strategies, and Rettenmaier Canada as well as the University of Alberta Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences for its in-kind support.

For a list of all the presenters and topics, please visit the [Excipient Workshop](#) section on the CSPS website.

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### **Use of Real World Data/Evidence to Inform Regulatory Decision Making** **December 3, 2019**

A Joint CSPS/Health Canada workshop attracted close to 200 attendees and offered the opportunity to hear speaker presentations and to discuss the use of data generated from routine clinical practice outside controlled clinical trials for regulatory decision making. Workshop session topics included:

- Regulatory Frameworks for Real World Evidence
- Data Sources and Data Quality - Meeting the Bar for "Fit for Purpose" in Regulatory Decision Making
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- Demonstrating How Real World Data/Evidence Can Be Used in the Support of Regulatory Approvals

A huge **THANK YOU** to our sponsors of the Real World Data/Evidence Workshop:

Gold Level: Janssen, Pfizer, and Roche

Silver Level: Novartis

Bronze Level: Innomar Strategies

For a complete list of all the presenters and topics, please visit the [Real World Data/Evidence Workshop](#) section on the CSPS website.

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## **PLAN TO ATTEND PSWC 2020!**

CSPS is very excited to be part of the [7th FIP Pharmaceutical Sciences World Congress](#)

[\(PSWC2020\)](#) being held **May 22-27, 2020 in Montreal, QC.**

The scientific programme covers recent developments in the pharmaceutical sciences from target to market and offers 4 tracks with multi-disciplinary themes (information-based technologies, global health, new collaborative models and workforce development):

**Track A = Novel concepts** - From diseases to clinical candidates

**Track B = Advanced strategies** - Meeting the challenges of optimal manufacture and delivery

**Track C = Effective translation** - From predictive experimental models to optimized clinical studies

**Track D = Societal impact** - Developing context-appropriate solutions

**Track E = Multi-disciplinary themes**

[Online registration](#) for the Congress is **open** - be sure to register by **February 20, 2020** in order to take advantage of the early bird fees.

**NEW!** - Do you have an abstract you would like to submit? [Late Breaking Abstracts](#) are being accepted until **February 6, 2020.**

### **CSPS 2020 AWARDS**

Nominations are invited for the 2020 CSPS Awards to be presented at PSWC 2020. Awards include: CSPS Award of Leadership in Canadian Pharmaceutical Sciences, CSPS Fellow Award, GSK/CSPS Early Career Award and Gattefossé Canada/CSPS Award in Lipid-Based Drug Delivery. Deadline is **March 16, 2020**. Detailed award and submission information is available on the CSPS website at [CSPS Awards](#).

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## **A New Year Ushers in A New CSPS Board of Directors**

This past December, elections were held for new directors to the CSPS Board of Directors. We are pleased to welcome Lesia Babiak and Ildiko Badea as Directors to the Board along with Neal Davies as President-Elect and Kayla Kitselman as Trainee Representative.

The 2020 CSPS Board of Directors includes:

<b>Christine Allen</b>	<b>President</b> (2020-2021)
<b>Catherine Lau</b>	<b>Past President</b> (2020-2021)
<b>Neal Davies</b>	<b>President-Elect</b> (2020-2021)
<b>Noriko Daneshtalab</b>	<b>Secretary</b> (2019-2020)
<b>Emmanuel Ho</b>	<b>Treasurer</b> (2019-2020)
<b>Fakhreddin (Mo) Jamali</b>	<b>Executive Appointee</b>
<b>Lesia Babiak</b>	<b>Director</b> (2020-2022)
<b>Ildiko Badea</b>	<b>Director</b> (2020-2022)
<b>Arshia Ghani</b>	<b>Director</b> (2018-2020)
<b>Raimar Loebenberg</b>	<b>Director</b> (2019-2021)
<b>Co Pham</b>	<b>Director</b> (2018-2020)
<b>Kishor Wasan</b>	<b>Director</b> (2019-2021)
<b>Kayla Kitselman</b>	<b>Trainee Rep</b> (2020-2021)

## Join Us in Banff, AB for CSPA 2021



The CSPA 2021 Symposium will be taking place June 1 - 4, 2021 in Banff, AB. Accommodations and meetings will be held at the Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, located in the heart of beautiful Banff National Park. Be sure to mark your calendars! More details will be available on the CSPA website in the coming months.

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