Welcome

Home to more than 250 researchers, the Michael Smith Laboratories investigates molecular genetics in humans, animals and plants, fermentation, bio-process engineering, and bioinformatics.

A career of contributions to improving human health

Dr. B. Brett Finlay among the new 2018 laureates inducted into the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame
Simple alginate cell encapsulation

Single step emulsification for mammalian cell encapsulation in alginate beads using a simple stirred vessel

Prof. Peter Zandstra

The Michael Smith Laboratories welcomes a new Director

Faculty promotions

MSL celebrates faculty promotions for Drs. Joanne Fox, Christian Kastrup and Nobu Tokunuki
Prof. Jim Kronstad bids farewell as Director

Celebrating Prof. Jim Kronstad’s tenure as the MSL Director from 2008 to 2017

Use of a microfluidic chip for whole genome library preparations of single-cell DNA without preamplification

Dr. Snutch inducted into NAI

Innovative researcher honoured as Fellow of the National Academy of Inventors
Dr. Harry Brumer honoured

Dr. Harry Brumer receives prestigious UBC Killam Research Prize at VP Research reception

Highly potent antifungal compound identified

Screening of the Pathogen Box reveals promising antifungal compound against Cryptococcus and Candida species

Dr. Foster receives the Ken Standing Award

Congratulations to Dr. Leonard Foster on receiving the 2017 Ken Standing Award for significant contribution to technology development
Researchers identify genes that give cannabis its flavour

Dean of Science Excellence in Service Awards

MSL recipients Pal Bains and Natalie Marshall recognized with a Dean of Science Excellence in Service Award

Recent publication in PNAS proposes the use of a pain drug to suppress migraine symptoms
**Faculty**

**Employment Opportunities**

**News**
- Creature no larger than a grain of rice colours BC forests a deathly red
- How do your allergies develop?
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**Cross-Disciplinary Research**

**Training**

**Events**
- UBC Farm Campus Market
  1 Nov 2017 - 11:30am
- Michael Smith Laboratories presents Dr. Matias Kirst
  3 Nov 2017 - 12:00pm
- Dept of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Discussion Group - Dr. Craig Thomas
  6 Nov 2017 - 3:00pm
- Dept of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Discussion Group - Dr. Alice Mui
  9 Nov 2017 - 3:30pm

**CIFAR**

**Canadian Institute for Advanced Research**

**Humans and the Microbiome: CIFAR**

Dr. B. Brett Finlay investigates how microbes that live on us affect our health and development.

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