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Message from the CMBES President

From the desk of the CMBES President, Murray Rice

I hope that everyone summer is going well, and you get a chance to slow down for a few days. While different executive members are taking breaks, the executive is doing quite a bit of work over the summer. We have had our first meeting to start our two year term. We are planning a strategic planning/priority setting meeting in the early fall to determine our priorities to focus on over the next two year. I would welcome any input/ideas you have as to what we should focus on. Please email me with your thoughts at Murray.Rice@uhn.ca.

We have a great line up of webinars are planned for the fall. The planning work is underway for our conference next May in Vancouver. Lots of great ideas in the initial planning, so it is shaping up well already.

Take care,

Murray

Congratulations to our 2022 CMBES Award Winners!

The 2022 CMBES Award winners were announced during the AGM on June 14th. Please join us in congratulating these impressive individuals on their awards!

Marie-Ange Janvier - Outstanding Canadian Biomedical Engineer



Dr. Marie-Ange Janvier obtained her Bachelors in Applied Science from the University of Ottawa, followed by her Doctorate in Biomedical Engineering from the University of Montreal. Marie-Ange has had a successful career at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) for the past decade.

In addition to her CE responsibilities, Marie-Ange participates in the Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Indignity Task Force. She also works on national and international CE committees including the CMBES and as a chair of the Canadian Board of Examiners for CE Certification. She is also the North American representative for IFMBE.

Marie-Ange is a professional engineer in both the province of Ontario and Quebec, a certified clinical engineer, a part-time lecturer, researcher, a strong advocate for CE education and a published author. Please join us in congratulating Marie-Ange on her impressive accomplishments and well deserved award of Outstanding Canadian Biomedical Engineer!

Alice Casagrande Cesconneto - Early Career Achievement

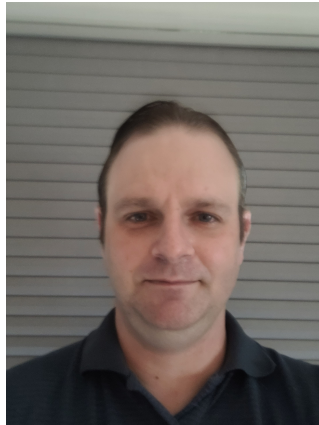


Alice Casagrande Cesconneto obtained a B.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering from Federal University of Santa Catrina, followed by her M.Eng. in biomedical engineering from The University of British Columbia. She joined Lower Mainland Biomedical Engineering in September 2020 in an internship role.

During her internship, Alice completed a successful project to improve infusion pump redistribution and developing tools for tracking and managing pumps. She was then hired as a full time Clinical Engineer following her internship, where she has developed a revised process for documenting incident investigations on medical devices.

Alice has very strong technical abilities, with a keen eye for process improvement and data assessment. Her outstanding contributions to improvements in healthcare technology early in her career have already resulted in increased safety for BC patients. Congratulations Alice on your outstanding accomplishments and Early Career Achievement Award!

Mark Heathcote - Outstanding Canadian BMET



Mark Heathcote completed his Biomedical Engineering Technology diploma from the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology. He joined the Clinical Engineering team at CHEO 5 years ago, following positions at Brandon Regional Health Centre and Ottawa Carleton Dialysis Clinic.

Mark's skills and ingenuity were key factors in the long term success of the CHEO Clinical Engineering Dialysis Outreach project with a hospital in Haiti. He contributed to a published abstract related this work presented at IFMBE-CED in 2019. Mark also made outstanding contributions as a member of a provincial project related to neonatal and paediatric transport incubators. His ideas and skills benefited the project, improving safety for both patients and staff.

Mark also is a great support and advocate for students interested in biomedical engineering, and a mentor to new technical staff. His numerous distinguished qualities make him stand out as truly deserving of the Outstanding Canadian BMET Award. Congratulations, Mark, on this achievement!

Welcome to the New CMBES Executive

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to 3 new CMBES Executive members!

- **Membership Chair:** Khalil Khalili - Children's Hospital Of Eastern Ontario KKhalili@cheo.on.ca
- **Academic Chair:** Arash Mohammadi - Concordia University arash.mohammadi@concordia.ca
- **Professional Affairs Chair:** Adeel Alam - Sinai Health System - Adeel.Alam@sinaihealth.ca

Please reach out to these chairs or any other member of the [CMBES Executive](#) with your questions, comments, or ideas for our society!

CMBEC45

Have Your Say on the Conference Theme!

We're very excited to be hosting CMBEC 45 in Vancouver on May 16-18th, 2023. Don't forget to save the date!

We are working on establishing the conference themes and we'd like to hear from you. [This link](#) contains a poll where you can add and upvote themes that you're most interested in. The poll will close on **August 1st** so don't forget to get your votes in.

We're planning a conference that will be jam-packed with networking opportunities, topical sessions, continuing education opportunities, and a taste of the beautiful city of Vancouver. Your feedback on this survey will help us deliver the conference that you want to see.



**PINNACLE HOTEL HARBOURFRONT
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA
MAY 16 - 18, 2023**

Upcoming Events

**CMBES-APIBQ Joint Webinar - Sept 13, 2022 - 12:00-13:00:
"Clinical Engineering in Quebec: The Point of View of Health
Authorities"**

This webinar will present the field of clinical engineering in Quebec, the role of professionals in healthcare institutions as well as the rules and management framework put in place by the Quebec Ministry of Health to achieve the objectives of planning, acquisition and safe use of medical equipment while aiming for economic efficiency

The presentation will be made by Mochcine Elgarch, Ingénieur biomédical Clinique, Ministère Santé et Services Sociaux, Montreal, Quebec along with his colleagues Francis Belanger and Maxime Villeneuve.

The webinar will be in English, but questions will be taken in both French and English. Registration will open soon! Stay tuned [here](#).

APIBQ Congress 2022 - Oct 24-26, 2022

The Association of Physicists and Biomedical Engineers of Quebec (APIBQ) is pleased to announce that it will be holding its annual conference from October 24th to 26th, 2022 at L'Estérel Resort.

We invite you to reserve this date in your agenda and to spread the good news to your colleagues. Stay tuned for the program and don't

miss the opening of registration! Check back [here](#) for updated information or contact info@apibq.ca.



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