

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### PERSONAL DATA

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## **EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT**

### **DEGREES AND CERTIFICATIONS**

2007		American Board of Ophthalmology Recertification
1997		American Board of Ophthalmology Certification
1997		College of Physicians and Surgeons of Nova Scotia
1994	FRCSC	Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada
1989	L.M.C.C.	Licentiate of the Medical Council of Canada
1989	M.D.C.M.	McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada
1984	D.E.C.	Champlain Regional College, St-Lambert, QC, Canada

### **POST-DOCTORATE RESEARCH AND CLINICAL TRAINING**

July 1995-June 1996 Fellowship in Ocular Genetics, Johns Hopkins University,  
Wilmer Eye Institute, Baltimore, Maryland, USA

### **POST-DOCTORATE CLINICAL TRAINING**

Jan 1995-June 1995	Fellowship in Neuro-ophthalmology, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, Iowa, USA
Jan 1994-Dec 1994	Fellowship in Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, Iowa, USA
Sept 1989-Dec 1993	Ophthalmology Residency (including internship year), Université Laval, Québec, PQ, Canada
June-Aug1991	Lancaster Course in Ophthalmology, Colby College, Maine, USA

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

2015-present	Professor, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences (primary appointment), Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2008-present	Department of Pediatrics (cross-appointment), Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2007-2015	Associate Professor, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences (primary appointment), Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2001-present	Department of Pathology (cross-appointment), Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2001-present	Member of The Division of Molecular Pathology and Molecular Genetics, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
1998-present	Member of The Division of Medical Education and Postgraduate Medical Education, Faculty of Medicine, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
1997-2007	Assistant Professor, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences (primary appointment), Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia

### **CLINICAL CARE/HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS**

1997-present	Active Staff, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
1997-present	Consulting Staff, QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2002-2005	Consulting Staff, Janeway Children's Health and Rehabilitation Centre, St John's, Newfoundland

### **SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES**

1996	Detweiler Traveling Fellowship \$10,000
1994	E.A. Baker Foundation fellowship award \$36,000
1993	E.A. Baker Foundation fellowship award \$36,000
1992	Annual Research Day Prize, Department of Ophthalmology, Université Laval (travel expenses to present at Université Sherbrooke, Quebec)
1985	McGill Alumnae 1884 Scholarship for academic excellence, 2nd year medicine \$1884
1984	McGill Alumnae 1884 Scholarship for academic excellence, 1st year medicine \$1884
1984	Mathematics Prize, Champlain Regional College
1984	Chemistry Prize, Champlain Regional College
1983	Dean's List, Champlain Regional College
1982	Special Recognition for Academic Excellence in Many Subjects (Chemistry, Physics, Math, French, English) and Involvement in School Life, Laval Catholic High School
1982	Valedictorian Award, Laval Catholic High School
1982	Best All-Round Student, General Course, Laval Catholic High School

### **SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS**

COS	Canadian Ophthalmological Society (1991 to date)
ASHG	American Society of Human Genetics (1997 to date)
APOS	Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society (1997 to date)
AAPOS	American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (1994 to date)
ARVO	Association for Research and Vision in Ophthalmology (1992 to date)
AAO	American Academy of Ophthalmology (1994 to date)
ISA	International Strabismological Association (1997 to date)
ISGEDR	International Society for Genetic Eye Disease and Retinoblastoma (1996 to date)

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

2015	The Rat: Recommended Technical Procedures
2011	Introduction to the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals Course
2010	The Mouse: Recommended Technical Procedures
2010	Access 2003 Level I & II Computer Training, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

2007	The Osler Institute Ophthalmology Board Review Course, Chicago, Illinois, USA
2006	Recording Teaching Accomplishment Institute, Centre for Learning and Teaching, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia, Canada
2003	The 44 <sup>th</sup> Annual Short Course in Medical and Experimental Mammalian Genetics, The Jackson Laboratory, Maine, USA
2000	Basic Linkage Course (Dr Jurg Ott), The Rockefeller University, New York, New York, USA
2000	Communication Skills Workshop for Faculty, The Division of Medical Education and Postgraduate Medical Education, Faculty of Medicine, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada
1998	Communication Skills Workshop for Faculty, The Division of Medical Education and Postgraduate Medical Education, Faculty of Medicine, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia, Canada

### **ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES**

#### **HOSPITAL**

2011-2014	Chair, Division of Ophthalmology Research Committee, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2005-2008	Research Space Allocation Utilization Committee, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2004-present	Eye Care Team Program Operations Committee, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2004-2009	Department of Surgery Research Facilitator Committee, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2003-2009	Division of Ophthalmology Research Committee, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2003-2005	Consultant for the Research Management Committee - Programs, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2001-2004	Scientific Review Committee, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2001-2012	Eye Care Team Morbidity, Occurrence, Mortality Review Sub-Committee, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia
1998-present	Laser Safety Committee, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia

#### **DEPARTMENT/UNIVERSITY**

2015	Ad hoc Committee to initiate an Ocular Gene Therapy Research Unit, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia (co-chair)
2014-present	Residency Program Research Director, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2013-present	Scholarship Funding Committee, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia

2013-2015	Ad hoc Committee to initiate Personalized Medicine Research in Maritimes, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2012-present	Chair of Steering Committee, Human Genetics Seminar Series, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2007	Foundation Scholar in Retina Interview Committee, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2005-present	Maritime Human Genetics Research Centre (formerly Human Genetics Research Work Group 2005-2009), IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia (Johane Robitaille, Founder and Chair)
2003-present	Faculty of Graduate Studies, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
1998-present	Department of Ophthalmology Research Committee, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia

### **COMMUNITY**

2015	Chair of Foundation Fighting Blindness Vision Quest Conference, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2011	Chair of Foundation Fighting Blindness Vision Quest Conference, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2007	Foundation for Fighting Blindness Consultant

### **PROVINCIAL**

2002	Task Force on Strabismus in the Capital Health District, Halifax, Nova Scotia
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### **NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL**

2015 August 6-8 <sup>th</sup>	Chair ISGEDR 2015 Conference, Halifax, Nova Scotia
2013-present	Foundation Fighting Blindness Patient Registry Steering Committee
2010-present	Canadian Pediatric Genetic Disorders Sequencing Consortium
2004-present	National Retinoblastoma Strategy (NRBS) Committee, Toronto, Ontario

### **PREVIOUS RELEVANT COMMITTEE WORK**

1992	Chief Resident, Department of Ophthalmology, Université Laval
1992	Member of the Admissions Committee, Department of Ophthalmology, Université Laval, Quebec
1992	Member of the Eye Bank Committee, Department of Ophthalmology, Université Laval, Quebec
1992	Member of the C.R.E.C.H.U.L., Residency Programs of Université Laval, Quebec
1990-93	Member of the Program Committee, Department of Ophthalmology, Université Laval, Quebec

### **EXTERNAL PEER REVIEW**

#### **Scientific Journals:**

- Clinical and Experimental Ophthalmology – Feb 2006

- Ophthalmic Genetics – Dec 2005, Mar 2007, Jul 2008, Dec 2009, Feb 2010, Apr 2010, Jul 2010, Dec 2012
- Journal of AAPOS – Dec 2009, Sep 2009, Jul 2010, Mar 2011
- Dalhousie Research Ethics Board – Nov. 2009
- The American Journal of Human Genetics – Dec. 2009
- Archives of Ophthalmology – May 2011
- American Journal Ophthalmology- June 2013
- British Journal Ophthalmology-Oct 2013, Apr 2014

**Granting Agencies:**

- Fight for Sight
- IWK Health Centre Foundation
- Memorial University
- Canadian National Institute for the Blind
- Foundation For Fighting Blindness Canada

**PATIENT CARE INNOVATIONS, PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATION/SYMPOSIUM AND CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION**

2016-present	ROP Prevention Group, IWK Health Centre
August 2015	International Society for Genetic Eye Diseases and Retinoblastoma (ISGEDR) conference held in Halifax, Nova Scotia (organizer: Johane Robitaille)
June 6, 2012	IGNITE: Orphan Diseases: Identifying Genes and Novel Therapeutics to Enhance Treatment (IGNITE) Annual General Meeting (member of Steering committee to organize symposium)
2012-present	Human Genetics Research Seminar Series, Dalhousie University
2008-present	Maritime Human Genetics Research Centre
2005-present	Ocular Genetics Clinic, IWK Health Centre (currently on hold due to significant patient backlog)
2004-present	ROP Fellowship Rotation, IWK Health Centre
2001-present	ROP Orientation Sessions for NICU Nurses, IWK Health Centre
1997-present	ROP Clinic, IWK Health Centre
1997-present	ROP Resident and Fellow Rotation, IWK Health Centre
1997-present	Introduction of Laser Treatment for ROP for Maritime Canada patients, IWK Health Centre

**CLINICAL TRAINEES**

**Fellow and Student Supervision**

Lina Raffa, Clinical and Research Fellow  
July 2016 to present

Claire Cullen, Clinical Fellow  
July 2015 to June 2016

Hameed al Haji, Clinical Fellow  
January 2014- June 2015

Essam AlKharouf, Clinical Fellow  
July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2014

Lori Bramwell, Clinical Fellow  
July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012

Mishari Dahrab, Clinical Fellow  
August 10, 2009 – June 2011

Roxanna Rivera, Clinical Fellow  
July 1, 2008 – June 2009

Sapna Sharan, Clinical and Research Fellow  
August 15, 2007 – July, 2008

Roman Windish, Retina Fellow  
July 2006 – June 2007  
JM Robitaille ROP training

Kamal Sindi, Clinical Fellow  
August 15, 2005 – August 12, 2007

Jennifer Johnston, Medical Student  
Shadowed me in clinic as part of medical student program for three months  
2006

Louis-Etienne Marcoux, Clinical and Research Fellow  
July 1, 2004 – June 30, 2005

Jane Gillis, Pediatric Resident/Genetics University of Toronto  
June 6 – June 24, 2005  
JM Robitaille supervisor Ocular Genetics rotation

**Traineeship In Retinopathy Of Prematurity**

Dr. Inge DeBecker July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007

**Resident Supervision (approximately 6 months of the total residency)**

Danielle Cadieux	2018 – 2022
Aishwarya Sundaram	2018 – 2022
Amit Mishra	2018 – 2022
Wesley Chan	2017 – 2021
Harald Gjerde	2017 – 2021
Tom Zhao	2017 – 2021

Aaron Winter	2016 - 2020
William Best	2016 - 2020
Claire Hamilton	2015 - 2019
Amr Zaki	2014 - 2018
Mark Seamone	2014 - 2018
Darrell Lewis	2013 - 2017
Jeremy Murphy	2012 - 2016
Anastasia Neufeld	2012 - 2016
Andrew Goad	2011 - 2015
Andrew Boswall	2011 - 2015
David Comstock	2010 - 2014
Brian Nelson	2010 - 2014
Anu Mishra	2010 - 2014
Lisa Heckler	2009 - 2013
Erin Demmings	2008 - 2013
Kenneth Roberts	2008 - 2012
Sohail Safi	2007 - 2011
Curtis Archibald	2007 - 2011
Nigel Rawlings	2007 - 2011
Paul Cheevers	2006 – 2010
Hesham Lakosha	2006 – 2007
Lori Bramwell	2005 – 2010
Stephanie Dotchin	2005 – 2010
Andrew Kirker	2004 – 2009
Babak Maleki	2004 – 2009
Justin French	2004 – 2009
Chloe Gottlieb	2003 – 2008
Rusty Ritenour	2003 – 2008
Darren Behn	2002 – 2007
Michael Dorey	2002 – 2007
Alex Tan	2001 – 2006
Kevin Ramsey	2001 – 2006
Jeffrey Steeves	2002 – 2006
Karen Hoar	2000 – 2003
Lesya Shuba	2000 – 2005
Briar Sexton	2000 – 2005
Lica Chui	1999 – 2004
Bryce Ford	1999 – 2004
Raed Behbehani	1998 – 2003
Donald Smallman	1998 – 2003
Glen Hoar	1997 – 2002
Cindy Cheung	1997 – 2002
Iva Smrz	1997 – 2001
Chris Symonds	1997 – 2001
Derek Dunphy	1997 – 2000
Marlene Jones	1997 – 2000



John Taiani 1997 – 2000  
Samuel Yiu 1997 – 1999  
Rajiv Bindish 1997 – 1999

### **RESEARCH TRAINEES**

Harald Gjerde, Ophthalmology Resident  
Evaluating the utility of zebrafish models in developing new treatments for familial exudative vitreoretinopathy  
September 2016 – present

Sonia Manuchian, Masters Student (Orthoptic Student)  
Assessing the binocularity of ROP patients treated with laser versus anti-VEGF therapy  
June 2016-present

Emma MacDougall  
Master Student  
Characterization of a novel gene mutation in familial exudative vitreoretinopathy  
2016 – present  
Experiential student Jan 2016-May 2016  
Summer student 2016  
Honorary student Sept 2016-April 2017  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Jenny Melanson  
Characterization of a novel gene mutation in familial exudative vitreoretinopathy  
2016 – present  
Experiential student Jan 2016-May 2016  
Summer student 2016  
Honorary student Sept 2016-April 2017  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Tenille Fleischhacker, Masters Student (Orthoptic Student)  
Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders Using Zebrafish Models of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy  
July 2014- September 2016  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with Jason Berman

Charlotte Pidgeon  
Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders  
June 2014 – 2016  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Roseanne Amashah  
Undergraduate student Bachelor Program 3<sup>rd</sup> year, Biology, St Mary's University

Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders

July 2014 – August 2015

JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster  
(internal supervisor Dr Dong)

Catherine Hart

Medical Student 1<sup>st</sup> year Dalhousie University

Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders

June 2014 – present

JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Joanna Borowska, Post-Doctoral Fellow

Development of Novel Therapeutics For The Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders

June 2013- September 2014

JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Mike Ngo, Post-Doctoral Fellow

Identifying Genes for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy and Development of Novel Therapeutics For The Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders

May 2013-present

JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Sara Nejat, Post-Doctoral Fellow

Development of Novel Therapeutics For The Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders

Nov 2011-July 2013 (Recipient of Reynolds Grant was 40,000\$ Nov 2012-July 2013)

JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster and M Kelly

Boram Hong, Orthoptic Student, Masters Candidate

Visual Functions in School-Age Children with the History of Prematurity (Recipient of IWK Category A award \$3,975 and NSHRF Student Research Award \$16,824.

2008 – 2010

JM Robitaille co-supervisor with P Artes

Sapna Sharan, Clinical and Research Fellow

Has Rising Pediatric Obesity Increased the Incidence of Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension in Children? JM Robitaille co-supervisor with I DeBecker

Predictability of horizontal versus vertical muscle surgery outcomes in thyroid eye disease

JM Robitaille co-supervisor with R LaRoche

2007

Louis-Etienne Marcoux, Clinical and Research Fellow

Incidence of Retinopathy of Prematurity in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Nova Scotia, 1998 – 2004

Incidence of Retinopathy of Prematurity in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Nova Scotia 2001-2003

July 1, 2004 – June 30, 2005

Briar Sexton, resident

Clinical and Genetic Analysis of Presumed Pericentral Retinal Degeneration (PPRD)

September 2003 – April 2004

Bryce Ford, resident

Characterization of the Genotype and Phenotype of Congenital Stationary Night Blindness in Atlantic Canada

September 2002 – April 2004

Alex de Saint Sardos, undergraduate student (became a resident Ophthalmology)

Volunteer in laboratory January – June 1997

Pseudoexfoliation Syndrome

May 5, 1999 – September 1, 1999 (1<sup>st</sup> Summer Studentship)

Laboratory Experiments/X-linked Retinoschisis/Bardet-Biedl Syndrome/X-linked

Recessive Retinitis Pigmentosa

June 6, 2001 – August 18, 2001 (2<sup>nd</sup> Summer Studentship)

Marlene Jones, resident

Phenotype-Genotype Analysis of Aniridia

The Effect of Mutation on the Variability of Phenotype: An Aniridia Study

September 1998 – April 2000

Michael Dorey (Summer Studentship), medical student (became resident Ophthalmology)

Genetics of Pseudoexfoliation Syndrome

July –August 1998

Donald Smallman, medical student (became resident Ophthalmology)

Genetics of Aniridia

1994 – 1996

## **RESEARCH**

### **GRANT SUPPORT**

#### **Currently Held**

Canadian Rare Diseases Models and Mechanisms (RDMM) Network. Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy zebrafish model development for gene discovery and therapeutics development. (\$25,000)

Co-PIs: Johane Robitaille and Jason Berman.  
December 12 2016-Dec 11 2017

Atlantic Innovation Fund: A Scientific and Clinical Hub for Orphan Drug Development  
(\$4,505,000)

PI: Chris McMaster, Co-applicants: Johane Robitaille, Jason Berman, Collaborators: Eric Hoffman, Kanneboyina Nagaraju (AGADA Biosciences Inc), In partnership with Dalhousie University Industry Liaison and Innovation, the Centre for Drug Research and Development and AGADA Biosciences Inc.  
September 2016 to September 2021

CIHR Project Grant: A Treatment for the Inherited Childhood Blinding Disorder Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy. Grant: 36418 (\$750,000)  
Nominated PI Chris McMaster, co-PI Johane Robitaille; 50/50  
August 2016 to July 2021

### **Previously Held**

Dr. R. Evatt And Rita Mathers Trainee Awards in Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences:  
Small molecule screen utilizing mutant FZD4 zebrafish for novel therapeutic targets  
(\$20,000)

Applicant: Tenille Fleishhacker, Supervisor: Johane Robitaille, Co-Supervisor: Jason Berman  
September 2015-August 2016

Brain Repair Centre-Research Dissemination, Commercialization Grant Programme: The International Society of Genetic Eye Diseases and Retinoblastoma (ISGEDR) Conference 2015. (\$10,000)

PI: J Robitaille Co-applicant: Elias Traboulsi.  
Awarded March 31<sup>st</sup> 2015.

Canadian Rare Diseases Models and Mechanisms (RDMM) Network. Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy zebrafish model development for gene discovery and therapeutics development. (\$25,000)

Co-PIs: Johane Robitaille and Jason Berman.  
April 2015-March 2016

Early Stage Commercialization Fund-Emerging Medical Technologies and Therapeutics.  
A Treatment for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy and Similar Ocular Disorders.  
(\$50,000 + \$20,000 in kind for commercialization fees)

PI: J Robitaille, co-applicant: Christopher McMaster.  
April 2015-Oct 2016

Springboard Proof of Concept Award: A Treatment for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy and Similar Ocular Disorders. (\$30,000)

PI: J Robitaille, co-applicant: Christopher McMaster.  
January 2015-January 2016

Early Stage Commercialization Fund 2014-2015: A Treatment for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy and Similar Ocular Disorders. (\$50,000)

PI: J Robitaille, co-applicant: Christopher McMaster.

January 2015-June 2016

Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation Knowledge Sharing Support Award:  
Development of a Multidisciplinary Research and Education Community of Practice in Human Genetics. (\$10,000)

PI: Johane Robitaille, co-PI: Sarah Dyack Co-Investigators: Christopher McMaster, Sue Coueslan

September 1<sup>st</sup> 2013-August 31<sup>st</sup> 2014

Genome Canada 2010 Large-Scale Applied Research Project Competition: Orphan Diseases: Identifying Genes and Novel therapeutics to Enhance Treatment (IGNITE)

\$4,880,974 (3.5 years) (July 1, 2011 – Dec 31, 2014)

PI: Christopher McMaster and Conrad Fernandez

Co-Investigators: Karen Bedard, Jason Berman, Duane Guernsey, Mark Ludman, Jacek Majewski, Andrew Orr, Michel Roberge, Johane Robitaille, Michael West

**\$450,000 of grant attributed to research in gene discovery and drug development for familial exudative vitreoretinopathy** (co-PIs Johane Robitaille and Christopher McMaster)

NSHRF REDI Catalyst Award: Gene Therapy for the Treatment of the Inherited Blinding Disorder FEVR

\$37,750 (Aug. 2012 – July 2013)

PI: Christopher McMaster.

Co-investigators: J. Robitaille, M. Kelly

Springboard Innovation Fund: Developing a Project Profile and Development Path for a Therapy for Blinding Retinopathies

\$30,000 (Aug. 2012 – July 2013)

PI: Christopher McMaster.

Co-investigators: J. Robitaille, M. Kelly

NSHRF Scotia Support Grant (MED)

\$49,500 (2 years) (Dec 1, 2011-Nov 30, 2013)

PI: Balwantray Chauhan & Francois Tremblay

Co-Investigators: Paul Artes, William Baldrige, Steven Barnes, Melanie Kelly, G.R. LaRoche, Karen McMain, Johane Robitaille, David Westwood, Steve VanInderstine, Glenda Parsons

Capital Health Research Fund (CHRF) Category 2: Development of Novel Therapeutics For The Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders.

\$15,000 (July 13, 2011 – July 13, 2012)

PI: Johane M. Robitaille

Co-Investigators: Melanie Kelly, Susan Howlett, Francois Tremblay, David Griggs

IWK Health Centre, Category A: Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders

\$4,000 (1 year) (April 1, 2011 – Mar 27, 2012)

PIs: Johane M. Robitaille

Co-Investigators: Melanie Kelly, Susan Howlett

NSHRF, REDI Award 2010, Team Development and Catalyst Award: Development of a Vision Loss Community of Practice

\$8,925.00 (1 year) (February 21, 2011 – February 21, 2012)

PI: Johane Robitaille Co-PI: Glenda M. Parsons

Co-Investigators: Paul Artes, Robert LaRoche, Karen McMMain, Marilyn Neal, Francois Tremblay

IWK Health Centre, Category A: Research Associateship – Department of Surgery and the Paediatric Vision Science Research Group

\$22,500 (6 Months) July 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011

PI: Johane Robitaille, Natalie Yanchar, Karen McMMain, P. Daniel McNeely, Francois Tremblay and Dawn MacLellan

IWK Health Centre, Category A: Visual Functions in School-Age Children with the History of Prematurity

\$3,975 Feb 6, 2009 – Feb 6, 2010

PI: Boram Hong

Co-Investigators: Johane Robitaille, Paul H. Artes, Michael Vincer, Leah Walsh

Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation: Student Research Award. Visual Functions in School-Age Children with the History of Prematurity

\$16,824 Sep 1, 2009 – Aug 31, 2010

Co-PIs: Bo-Ram Hong. Supervisors: Johane M. Robitaille and Paul Artes

IWK Health Centre, Category A: Research Associateship – Department of Surgery and the Division of Ophthalmology/joint IWK Health Centre/Dalhousie University Clinical Vision Science (CVS) Graduate Program

\$114,750 (3 years) for 0.8 FTE, Jul 1, 2008-Jun 30, 2011

PI: Johane Robitaille, Natalie Yanchar, Karen McMMain, P. Daniel McNeely and Francois Tremblay

Genome Canada (AMGGI) Atlantic Medical Genetics and Genomics Initiative

(Maritimes): Genetic Analysis of Presumed Pericentral Retinal Degeneration (PPRD)

\$96,000 April 1, 2006 – May 31, 2009

Co-PI: Johane M. Robitaille, Mark Samuels

Co-Investigators: Andrew Orr, Mark Ludman, Duane Guernsey

Center for Medical Genetics, Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation: Molecular and Clinical Characterization of Presumed Pericentral Retinal Dystrophy (PPRD).  
\$3,672 Genotyping 34 DNA samples whole genome screen August 15, 2005  
Co-PI: Johane M. Robitaille, Duane L. Guernsey, Mark Samuels, Marie-Pierre Dubé  
Co-Investigators: Ann Hoskin-Mott, Alan Cruess, Francois Tremblay, Joan Parkinson, Jill Beis

CNIB (E A BAKER): The Role of the Frizzled-4 Pathway in Retinopathy of Prematurity.  
\$20,000 July 2005-June 2006

PI: Mark E. Samuels

Co-Investigators: Johane Robitaille, Duane Guernsey, Steven Barnes, William Baldrige, Melanie Kelly, Francois Tremblay, Sylvia Craig

IWK Health Centre: Research Associateship – Department of Ophthalmology, IWK Health Centre

\$67,500 (3 years) for 0.5 FTE, Jan. 1, 2005 – Dec.31, 2007

PI: Johane Robitaille, Karen McMain, Francois Tremblay

IWK Health Centre: Research Associateship – Department of Surgery, IWK Health Centre  
\$67,500 (3 years) for 0.5 FTE, Apr. 1, 2005 – Mar. 31, 2008

PI: Johane Robitaille and Natalie Yanchar

CHRF: Clinical and Genetic Analysis of Presumed Pericentral Retinal Degeneration (PPRD).

\$15,000 October 2004-September 2005

PI: Johane M. Robitaille / Co-PI: Ann Hoskin-Mott

Co-Investigators: Duane Guernsey, M. Jill Beis, Francois Tremblay, Briar Sexton, Alan Cruess, Joan Parkinson

March of Dimes: Genetic Analysis of Frizzled-4 (FZD4) and its Influence on Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR), Severe Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP) and Other Associated Retinal Diseases

\$219,450 USD June 2004-May 2007

PI: Johane M. Robitaille

Co-PI: Duane L. Guernsey

Co-Investigators: Jill Beis, Walter Strapps, Lee Siebert, Anna Ells, Orlando daSilva, Michael Vincer, Alexander Allen

CNIB (EA BAKER): Clinical and Genetic Analysis of Presumed Pericentral Retinal Degeneration (PPRD)

\$20,000 April 1, 2004-March 2005

PI: Johane M. Robitaille

Co-Investigators: Ann Hoskin-Mott, Duane Guernsey, Jill Beis, François Tremblay, Briar Sexton, Alan Cruess

IWK Health Centre, Category B: Clinical and Genetic Analysis of Presumed Pericentral Retinal Degeneration (PPRD)  
\$15,000 February 1, 2004-January 2005  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-Investigators: Ann Hoskin-Mott, Duane Guernsey, Jill Beis, François Tremblay, Briar Sexton, Alan Cruess

IWK Health Centre: The Eye In CHARGE Research Team Grant  
1/3 of Orthoptist salary June 2003 (6 months) (Team Award)  
\$8,000  
PI: Karen McMain  
Co-investigators: Kim Blake, Johane Robitaille, Isabel Smith, Ellen Wood, Patsy Newman, François Tremblay, Lisa Gammell, Jill Beis

IWK Health Centre, Category A: Genetic Analysis and Mutation Effect on the Variation of Phenotype of Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy  
Travel Funds for Participants  
\$3,994 January 2003-Dec 2003  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-investigators: Inge De Becker, Charles Maxner, Duane Guernsey, François Tremblay, Jill Beis, Joan Parkinson

IWK Health Centre, Category A: Genetic Analysis and Mutation Effect on the Variation of Phenotype of Congenital Stationary Night Blindness (CSNB)  
\$2,543 December 2001-November 2003  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-investigators: Inge De Becker, François Tremblay, Jill Beis, Torben Bech-Hansen, Bryce Ford

Plum Foundation: Genetic Analysis of Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy  
\$21,000 USD October 2001-September 2003  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-investigators: Inge De Becker, Charles Maxner, Duane Guernsey, François Tremblay, Jill Beis, Joan Parkinson

Xenon Genetics Inc.: Genetic Analysis of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy  
\$40,000  
Salary for research coordinator August 2001 (1 year)  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille

NSHR Foundation: Genetic Analysis of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy  
\$73,000 October 2000- September 2002  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-investigator: Duane Guernsey

IWK – Grace Health Centre: Summer Studentship (Cuneyt Tatlidil)



\$2,024 May-August 2000  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille -

ARVO: Summer Studentship (Cuneyt Tatlidil)  
\$2,000USD, May-August 2000  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille

IWK – Grace Health Centre: Genetic Study of Aniridia: the Effect of Mutation on the  
Variation of Phenotype  
\$2,990 April 2000-March 2001  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-investigator: Inge De Becker

IWK – Grace Health Centre: Genetic Analysis of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy  
\$14,700 November 1999-October 2000  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-investigators: Duane Guernsey, Paul Neumann

CNIB: Genetic Analysis of Incomplete X-Linked Congenital Stationary Night Blindness  
\$22,400 July 1998-June 1999  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-investigators: Duane Guernsey, François Tremblay, Paul Neumann

IWK Health Centre: Recruitment Establishment Grant – Gene Discovery for Congenital  
Stationary Night Blindness  
\$67,000 October 1997-September 1999  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-investigators: Duane Guernsey, François Tremblay, Paul Neumann

DMRF: Capital Equipment Grant  
\$14,000 April 1997  
PI: Johane M. Robitaille  
Co-investigators: Duane Guernsey, Paul Neumann

### **RESEARCH TRAINEES**

Harald Gjerde , Ophthalmology Resident  
Evaluation of Zebrafish as a Model Organism for the Development of Novel Therapeutics  
for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy  
September 2016 – present  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with J Berman

Sonia Manuchian, Masters Student (Orthoptic Student)  
The Effect of Treatment of Type 1 ROP on Binocularity  
August 2016-present  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with N Tehrani/K Mireskandari

Jenny Melanson, Masters Student, Biochemistry  
Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental  
Vascular Disorders  
Jan 2016-present  
Experiential student Jan 2016-May2016  
Summer student 2016  
Honorary student Sept 2016-April 2017  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Emma MacDougall, Master Student, Biochemistry  
Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental  
Vascular Disorders  
Jan 2016-present  
Experiential student Jan 2016-May2016  
Summer student 2016  
Honorary student Sept 2016-April 2017  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Roseanne Amashah  
Undergraduate student Bachelor Program 3<sup>rd</sup> year, Biology, St Mary's University  
Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental  
Vascular Disorders  
July 2014 – August 2015  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster  
(internal supervisor Dr Dong)

Catherine Hart  
Medical Student 1<sup>st</sup> year Dalhousie University  
Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental  
Vascular Disorders  
June 2014 – August 2015  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Tenille Fleischhacker, Masters Student (Orthoptic Student)  
Development of Novel Therapeutics for the Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental  
Vascular Disorders Using Zebrafish Models of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy  
July 2014- August 2016  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with Jason Berman

Joanna Borowska, Post-Doctoral Fellow  
Development of Novel Therapeutics For The Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental  
Vascular Disorders  
June 2013- September 2014  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Mike Ngo, Post-Doctoral Fellow

Identifying Genes for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy and Development of Novel Therapeutics For The Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders  
May 2013-present  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster

Sara Nejat, Post-Doctoral Fellow  
Development of Novel Therapeutics For The Treatment of Rare Ocular Developmental Vascular Disorders  
Nov 2011-July 2013 (Recipient of Reynolds Grant was 40,000\$ Nov 2012-July 2013)  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with C McMaster and M Kelly

Boram Hong, Orthoptic Student, Masters Candidate  
Visual Functions in School-Age Children with the History of Prematurity (Recipient of IWK Category A award \$3,975 and NSHRF Student Research Award \$16,824.  
2008 – 2011  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with P Artes

Sapna Sharan, Clinical and Research Fellow  
Has Rising Pediatric Obesity Increased the Incidence of Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension in Children? JM Robitaille co-supervisor with I DeBecker  
Predictability of horizontal versus vertical muscle surgery outcomes in thyroid eye disease  
JM Robitaille co-supervisor with R LaRoche  
2007

Louis-Etienne Marcoux, Clinical and Research Fellow  
Incidence of Retinopathy of Prematurity in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Nova Scotia, 1998 – 2004  
Incidence of Retinopathy of Prematurity in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Nova Scotia 2001-2003  
July 1, 2004 – June 30, 2005

Briar Sexton, resident  
Clinical and Genetic Analysis of Presumed Pericentral Retinal Degeneration (PPRD)  
September 2003 – April 2004

Bryce Ford, resident  
Characterization of the Genotype and Phenotype of Congenital Stationary Night Blindness in Atlantic Canada  
September 2002 – April 2004

Alex de Saint Sardos, undergraduate student (became a resident Ophthalmology)  
Volunteer in laboratory January – June 1997  
Pseudoexfoliation Syndrome  
May 5, 1999 – September 1, 1999 (1<sup>st</sup> Summer Studentship)  
Laboratory Experiments/X-linked Retinoschisis/Bardet-Biedl Syndrome/X-linked Recessive Retinitis Pigmentosa

June 6, 2001 – August 18, 2001 (2<sup>nd</sup> Summer Studentship)

Marlene Jones, resident

Phenotype-Genotype Analysis of Aniridia

The Effect of Mutation on the Variability of Phenotype: An Aniridia Study

September 1998 – April 2000

Michael Dorey (Summer Studentship), medical student (became resident Ophthalmology)

Genetics of Pseudoexfoliation Syndrome

July –August 1998

Donald Smallman, medical student (became resident Ophthalmology)

Genetics of Aniridia

1994 – 1996

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Peer Reviewed Publications**

- 1) Ngo MH, Borowska-Fielding J, Heathcote G, Nejat S, Kelly ME, McMaster CR, Robitaille JM. Fzd4 Haploinsufficiency Delays Retinal Revascularization in the Mouse Model of Oxygen Induced Retinopathy. PLoS One. 2016; Aug 4;11(8)
- 2) Iordanous Y, Sharan S, Robitaille J, Walsh L, LaRoche GR. Predictability of Horizontal Versus Vertical Muscle Surgery Outcomes in Thyroid Eye Disease. Int Ophthalmol. 2016; 36(4)487-91.
- 3) Fernandez CV, O'Connell C, Ferguson M, Orr AC, Robitaille JM, Knoppers BM, McMaster CR. Stability of Attitudes to the Ethical Issues Raised in the Return of Incidental Genomic Research Findings in Children – A Follow up Study. Public Health Genomics 2015; 18(5): 299-308.
- 4) Welinder LG, Robitaille JM, Rupps R, Boerkoel CF, Lyons CJ. Congenital Bilateral Retinal Detachment in Two Siblings with Osteoporosis-Pseudoglioma Syndrome. Ophthalmic Genetics 2015 36(3): 276-280.
- 5) Robitaille JM, Gillett RM, LeBlanc MA, Gaston D, Nightingale M, Mackley MP, Parkash S, Hathaway J, Thomas A, Ells A, Traboulsi EI, Héon E, Roy M, Shalev S, Fernandez CV, MacGillivray C, Wallace K, Fahiminiya S, Majewski J, McMaster CR, Bedard K. Phenotypic Overlap Between Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR) and Microcephaly Lymphedema Chorioretinal Dysplasia (MLCRD) Caused by *KIF11* Mutations. JAMA Ophthalmology 2014 Dec; 132(12): 1393-99.
- 6) Fernandez CV, Bouffet E, Malkin D, Jabado N, O'Connell C, Avarod D, Knoppers BM, Ferguson M, Boycott KM, Sorensen PH, Orr AC, Robitaille JM, McMaster CR. Attitudes

of Parents Toward the Return of Targeted and Incidental Genomic Research Findings in Children. *Genet Med.* 2014 Aug 16(8): 633-640.

7) Bursztyn L, Sharan S, Walsh L, LaRoche GR, Robitaille J, De Becker I. Has Rising Pediatric Obesity Increased the Incidence of Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension in Children? *Can J Ophthalmol* 2014 Feb;49(1):87-91.

8) Robitaille JM, Zheng B, Wallace K, Beis MJ, Tatlidil C, Yang J, Sheidow TG, Siebert L, Levin AV, Lam WC, Arthur BW, Lyons CJ, Jaakkola E, Tsilou E, Williams CA, Weaver RG, Shields CL, Guernsey DL. The Role of Frizzled-4 (*FZD4*) Mutations in Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR) and Coats Disease. *British Journal of Ophthalmology* 2011 Apr;95 (4): 574-9.

9) Ells A, Guernsey DL, Wallace K, Zheng B, Vincer M, Allen A, Ingram A, DaSilva O, Siebert L, Sheidow T, Beis MJ, Robitaille JM. Severe Retinopathy of Prematurity Associated with FZD4 Mutations. *Ophthalmic Genet* 2010 Mar;31(1):37-43.

10) National Retinoblastoma Strategy (Robitaille, JM is part of group). National Retinoblastoma Strategy Canadian Guidelines for Care. *Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology* Vol 44, Suppl 2, Dec 2009.

11) Robitaille, JM, Wallace K, Zheng B, Beis MJ, Samuels, M, Hoskin-Mott A, Guernsey DL. Phenotypic Overlap of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR) with Persistent Fetal Vasculature (PFV) Caused by FZD4 Mutations in Two Distinct Pedigrees. *Ophthalmic Genet* 2009 30(1):23-30.

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- 18) Boycott KM, Maybaum TA, Naylor MJ, Weleber RG, Robitaille JM, Miyake Y, Bergen AAB, Pierpont ME, Pearce WG, Bech-Hansen NT. A summary of 20 *CACNA1F* mutations identified in 36 families with incomplete X-linked congenital stationary night blindness, and characterization of splice variants. *Hum Genet* 2001; 108: 91-97.
- 19) Dharmara S, Li Y, Robitaille J, Silva E, Zhu D, Mitchell TN, Maltby L, Baffoe-Bonnie A, Maumenee IH. A novel locus for Leber Congenital Amaurosis maps to chromosome 6q. *Am J of Human Genet* 2000; 66: 319-326.
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- 21) Koenekoop R, Pina AL, Loyer M, Davidson J, Robitaille J, Maumenee I, Tombran-Tink J. Four polymorphic variations in the PEDF gene identified during the mutation screening of patients with Leber congenital amaurosis. *Molecular Vision* 1999; 5:10 <<http://www.molvis.org/molvis/v5/p10/>>.
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- 1) Robitaille JM. Other Non-ROP Vascular Disorders. In *Practical Management of Pediatric Ocular Disorders and Strabismus*. Editors: Elias I Traboulsi and Virginia Utz. Springer. 2016; Chapter 35: 353-357.
- 2) Robitaille JM, Guernsey DL, Traboulsi EI. Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR), Norrie Disease and Other Developmental Retinal Vascular Disorders. In: *Genetic Diseases of the Eye*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. Editor Elias Traboulsi. Oxford University Press 2011; Chapter 35: 504-518.
- 3) Robitaille, Johane M. Eye Problems Affecting the Premature Child. *Exceptional Family*, Vol. 5, No. 3, Spring 2010.
- 4) Robitaille JM, Guernsey DL, Cameron JD, Heathcote JG. Developmental Anomalies of the Eye. In: *Pathobiology of Ocular Disease*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. Editors, Gordon K. Klintworth and Alec Garner. Informa Healthcare. 2008; Chapter 52: 1115-1161.

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- 3) Ngo M, Borowska J, Nejat S, Kelly M, McMaster CR, Robitaille JM. *FZD4* haploinsufficiency delays recovery of retinopathy in the ocular ischemic retinopathy (OIR) mouse model. ARVO May 2-7, 2015, Denver, Colorado.
- 4) Robitaille J, Gillett R, Leblanc M, Gaston D, Nightingale M, Mackley M, Parkash S, Hathaway J, Thomas A, Traboulsi E, Ells A, Heon E, Roy M, Shalev S, MacGillivray C, Wallace K, McMaster C, Bedard K. Phenotypic overlap between familial exudative vitreoretinopathy (FEVR) and microcephaly lymphedema chorioretinal dysplasia (MLCRD) caused by *KIF11* mutations. Canadian Ophthalmology Society Conference, June 4-7 2014, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- 5) Robitaille JM, Dyack S, Gaston D, Chen L, Whitehouse S, Roslin N, Nightingale M, Gillett R, Paterson A, Macgillivray C, Ferguson M, Wallace K, Bramwell L, LeBlanc M, Majewski J, Orr A, McMaster CR, Bedard K. A mutation in *DST* causes autosomal dominant non-syndromic congenital alacrima. Abstract ID: 1896369. Canadian Ophthalmology Society Conference, June 4-7 2014, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- 6) Sharan S, Iordanous Y, Robitaille J, Walsh L, LaRoche RG. Predictability of horizontal versus vertical muscle surgery outcomes in thyroid eye disease. Abstract ID: 1895928 Canadian Ophthalmology Society Conference, June 4-7 2014, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- 7) Ngo, M, Borowska-Fielding, J, Kelly, M, Heathcote, G, McMaster, Robitaille, JM. Using mouse models of FEVR to identify new therapeutics. Department of Ophthalmology Research Day, Halifax, Nova Scotia, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
- 8) Borowska-Fielding J, Ngo M, Nejat S, Kelly M, Heathcote G, McMaster CM, Robitaille JM. Effect of FZD4 on development of severe retinopathy of prematurity using the ocular ischemic mouse model. Department of Ophthalmology Research Day, Halifax, Nova Scotia, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

- 9) Robitaille J, Borowska J, Ngo M, Nejat S, Zhou Y, Heathcote G, Kelly M, and McMaster C. Effect of *FZD4* on Development of Severe Retinopathy of Prematurity Using the Ocular Ischemic Mouse Model. Canadian Developmental Biology Conference, Mont-Tremblant, Quebec, March 17-20 2014.
- 10) Heathcote JG, Robitaille JM. An Unusual Sequela of Trivial Corneal Trauma in a 3-Year-Old Boy: A Corneal Pseudo-Membrane. British Association for Ophthalmic Pathology Conference, April 18-19, 2013, Cork, Eire, Ireland.
- 11) B. Hong, JM. Robitaille, M. Vincer, L. Walsh, and PH. Artes. Visual Functions in School-Age Children With A History Of Prematurity: Preliminary Results, International Society For Eye Research XIX Biennial Meeting, July 18-23, 2010, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
- 12) B. Hong, JM. Robitaille, M. Vincer, L. Walsh, and PH. Artes. Visual Functions in School-Age Children With A History Of Prematurity: Preliminary Results. Canadian Ophthalmological Society Annual Meeting (June 26 – 29), 2010, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada. (Third place prize in the 2010 COS Award for Excellence in Ophthalmic Research Poster Competition).
- 13) Robitaille JM, Wallace K, Zheng B, Ells A, DaSilva O, Sheidow T, Allen A, Vincer M, Siebert L, Levin A, Arthur B, Lyons CJ, Jaakkola E, Tsilou E, Williams C, Weaver RG, Ingram A, Beis J, Guernsey DL. Phenotype-Genotype Association in Autosomal Dominant Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR) and Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP) Caused by Frizzled-4 (FZD4) Mutations. Canadian Ophthalmological Society Annual Meeting (June 26 – 29) 2010, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada.
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- 15) Robitaille JM, Zheng B, Wallace K, Samuels ME, Guernsey DL. Phenotypic Spectrum of *FZD4* Mutations. American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus March 15-18, 2006, Colorado, USA.
- 16) Robitaille JM, Zheng B, Wallace K, Samuels ME, Guernsey DL. Phenotypic Spectrum of *FZD4* Mutations. International Society for Genetic Eye Disease September 2005, Whistler, BC.
- 17) Marcoux LE, LeBlanc-Cormier G, Vincer M, Benard K, Robitaille JM. Incidence of Retinopathy of Prematurity in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Nova Scotia, 1998 – 2004. Canadian Ophthalmological Society June 2005, Edmonton AB.



- 18) Parkinson J, Tremblay F, Beis MJ, DeBecker I, Maxner C, Zheng B, Guernsey D, Robitaille JM. Genetic Analysis and Mutation Effect on the Variation of Phenotype of Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy: Visual Field Findings. Canadian Ophthalmological Society June 2005, Edmonton AB.
- 19) Robitaille JM, Parkinson J, Zheng B, Beis MJ, Tremblay F, Maxner C, Guernsey D. Determination of Phenotype of Genetic Analysis in Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy, a Hereditary Condition with Incomplete Penetrance and Variable Expressivity: The Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy (ADOA) Story. Canadian Ophthalmological Society June 2005, Edmonton AB. – (Winner of Best Poster Award)
- 20) Robitaille JM, Parkinson J, Zheng B, Beis J, Tremblay F, Maxner C, Guernsey DL. Determination of Phenotype Using Genetic Analysis in Hereditary Conditions with Incomplete Penetrance and Variable Expressivity: The Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy (ADOA) Story. The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology 2005, Fort Lauderdale, FL.
- 21) Beis MJ, Guernsey DL, Zheng B, DeBecker I, Maxner C, Tremblay F, Parkinson J, and Robitaille JM. Molecular Characterization of Two Large Canadian Pedigrees With Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy. The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology 2004, Fort Lauderdale, FL.
- 22) Tremblay F, Parkinson J, Beis MJ, DeBecker I, Maxner C, Guernsey DL, Zheng B, and Robitaille J. Phenotypic Presentation of Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy in Two Large Canadian Pedigrees. The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology 2004, Fort Lauderdale, FL.
- 23) Parkinson J, DeBecker I, Tremblay F, Beis MJ, Maxner CM, Guernsey D and Buncic, R, Robitaille J. Genetic Analysis and Mutation Effect on the Variation of Phenotype of Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy: Preliminary Findings. Canadian Ophthalmological Society June 2003, Halifax, NS.
- 24) Ford B, Beis MJ, Tremblay F, De Becker I, Bech-Hansen NT, and Robitaille JM. Characterization of the Genotype and Phenotype of Congenital Stationary Night Blindness in Atlantic Canada. Canadian Ophthalmological Society June 2003, Halifax, NS.
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Causes Autosomal Dominant Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR) with Variable Intrafamilial Phenotype. International Society for Genetic Eye Disease, May 2003, Paris France.

27) Gallie B, Truong T, Heon E, Chan H, Desjardins L, Doz F, Laroche R, Robitaille J, Orton TD, Balmer A, Munier F, Chen D, Chen X, Kivela T, Moll A, Murphree L. Retinoblastoma ABC Classification World Survey. International Society for Genetic Eye Disease, May 2003, Paris France.

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29) Robitaille J, MacDonald MLE, Guernsey DL, Zheng B, Siebert LS, Hoskin-Mott A, Beis MJ, Hayden MR, Goldberg YP and Samuels ME. Mutant Frizzled-4 (*FZD4*) Causes Autosomal Dominant Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR) with Variable Intrafamilial Phenotype. Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology 2003, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

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34) Jones M, Zheng B, Guernsey DL, Beis MJ, De Becker I, Robitaille JM. Phenotype-Genotype Analysis of Aniridia. Can J Ophthalmol March 2002, abstract A-37.

- 35) Robitaille JM, Zheng B, Tatlidil C, Siebert L, Hoskin-Mott A, Beis MJ, Guernsey DL. Genetic Analysis of Autosomal Dominant Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy: Towards the Identification of a Gene for EVR1. IOVS 2002, abstract 816.
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- 40) Robitaille J, Orr AC, Falvey , Hamilton P, Price P, Zheng B, Pasternak S, Guernsey DL, Neumann PE. Genetic Analysis of Exfoliation Glaucoma. Can J Ophthalmol 1999; 34(3): abstract P26.
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- 42) Robitaille J, Arnould V, Li Y, Zhu D, Maumenee IH. Linkage Analysis in an Old Order River Brethren Family With Leber Congenital Amaurosis. IOVS 1996; 37: S998.
- 43) Robitaille JM, Scott WE, Kutschke PJ, Lee WR, Kardon RH. The Amount of Postoperative Drift in Adult Strabismus Surgery. American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus April 1995, Orlando, Florida.

## **INVITED COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

### **Keynote Speaker**

- 1) Long term visual problems related to premature birth. Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society Conference. Wallace, Nova Scotia. July 18, 2014.
- 2) Retina Vascular Disorders of Childhood. Department of Ophthalmology Grand Rounds, Ottawa, Ontario. University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario, May 15, 2013.
- 3) Blind Baby Lecture series. Department of Ophthalmology residency lecture series, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario, , May 15, 2013.

- 4) From Genes to Therapies for Retinal Vascular Disorders. Department of Pathology Grand Rounds, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, April 11, 2013.
- 5) Approaches to the Treatment of Retinitis Pigmentosa and Retinal Dystrophies. Annual Meeting of the Lebanese Ophthalmological Society. May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
- 6) Robitaille JM. Diagnosing Optic Atrophy and the Role of Genetic Testing. Annual Meeting of the Lebanese Ophthalmological Society. May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
- 7) Unifying Concepts of Retinal Vascular Diseases. Annual Meeting of the Lebanese Ophthalmological Society. May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
- 8) Retinal Eye Diseases – New Developments, New Hope: Translating Research into Treatments. Foundation Fighting Blindness, Vision Quest Halifax: RP Conference Program (Robitaille JM, Chair). October 22, 2011.
- 9) Retinopathy of Prematurity: Screening and Timing of Treatment. Memorial Speaker. Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society, St. Andrews, New Brunswick. May 2009.
- 10) When to Image a Pediatric Strabismus. Memorial Speaker. Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society, St. Andrews, New Brunswick. May 2009.
- 11) Genetic Testing in Clinical Ophthalmology. Memorial Speaker. Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society, St. Andrews, New Brunswick. May 2009.
- 12) Retinal Vascular Disorders Of Childhood. Department of Ophthalmology Grand Rounds, William E. Scott Lecture Series, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA. April 8, 2008.
- 13) The Blind Infant (Parts I & II). William E. Scott Lecture Series, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA. April 8, 2008.
- 14) Is It Coincidence? Or Is There A Connection? William E. Scott Lecture Series, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA. April 8, 2008.
- 15) Moebius Syndrome. William E. Scott Lecture Series, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA. April 8, 2008.
- 16) Review of the Genetics of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR). Pathology Department Research Day, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia. May 15, 2007.
- 17) Genetics of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy. Grand Rounds, Allergan Visiting Speaker Program, The University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario. November 29, 2006.

18) Identifying Genes Genotype-Phenotype Correlations Therapies. Resident Lecture, Allergan Visiting Speaker Program, The University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario. November 29, 2006.

19) Retinopathy Of Prematurity: Diagnosis, Pathogenesis, Risk Factors and Screening. Resident Lecture, Allergan Visiting Speaker Program, The University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario. November 29, 2006.

20) Retinopathy of Prematurity: Treatment and Literature Review. Resident Lecture, Allergan Visiting Speaker Program, The University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario. November 29, 2006.

21) La Génétique de la vitréorétinopathie exudative familiale. Journée Annuelle de Recherche en Ophtalmologie, Université Laval, Quebec City, Quebec. June 3, 2005.

22) Genetics of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy. University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta. February 2, 2005.

23) Autosomal Dominant Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR) and the Frizzled-4 (*FZD4*) Gene: Strength in Numbers. National Institute of Health-National Eye Institute, Bethesda, Maryland. March 30, 2004.

24) Congenital Stationary Night Blindness. Pediatric and Inherited Retinal Diseases Course, Cole Institute, Cleveland, Ohio. June 2001.

25) Eye Problems in Down's Syndrome. National Conference for Down's Syndrome, Sydney, Nova Scotia. May 2000.

26) Long-term Ophthalmological Follow-up of Very Low Birth Weight Infants. Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society, Corner Brook, Newfoundland. March 2000.

27) Optics in a Pediatric Ophthalmology Practice. Nova Scotia Opticians Annual Meeting, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. February 21, 1999.

28) Retinitis Pigmentosa. Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority, Halifax, Nova Scotia. May 23, 1998.

#### **Other Invited Presentations and Communications**

1) Genomics Enhanced Therapeutics for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR). Form and Function in Ocular Disease Conference. Halifax, Nova Scotia, October 28, 2016

2) Childhood Strabismus: When do you push the panic button? Canadian Ophthalmology Society Conference. Ottawa, Ontario, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016

3) Is G the new letter in ROP? Ophthalmology Grand Rounds. Dalhousie University, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016

- 4) Phenotypic Spectrum and Molecular Diagnosis of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR) and Related Conditions in an International Database. International Society of Genetic Eye Diseases and Retinoblastoma Conference. Halifax, Nova Scotia, August 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 2015.
- 5) Retinopathy of Prematurity. APSEA Rounds. Halifax, Nova Scotia, October 22<sup>nd</sup> 2015.
- 6) One Clinician-scientist, One Model. Clinical Investigator Program Retreat. Chester, Nova Scotia, April 17-18<sup>th</sup> 2015.
- 7) Visual deficits in prematurely born children. Canadian Ophthalmology Society Conference, Halifax, Nova Scotia, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
- 8) From Genes to Therapies for Developmental Retinal Vascular Disorders. Pediatric Vision Sciences Research Group (PVSRG) Research Rounds. Halifax, Nova Scotia, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014.
- 9) From Genes to Therapies for Developmental Retinal Vascular Disorders. Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Seminar Series, Dalhousie University. Halifax, Nova Scotia, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
- 10) Motility Abnormalities with Something in Common and Something Different. Strabismus Rounds, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- 11) From Genes to Therapies for Retinal Vascular Disorders. Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Grand Rounds, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, May 29, 2013
- 12) Updates on Retinopathy of Prematurity. Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society Meeting. Crowbush, Prince Edward Island, May 23-25, 2013
- 13) Interpreting Examination Notes from the Eye Clinic. Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority Rounds, Halifax, Nova Scotia. October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012
- 14) Congenital Toxoplasmosis. Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority Rounds, Halifax, Nova Scotia. June 23, 2011
- 15) Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy Research Updates. Medical Genetics Rounds, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia. March 8, 2011
- 16) Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension. Grand Rounds, Department of Neurology, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia. December 9, 2010
- 17) Le spectre phénotypique des mutations de FZD4. 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Paediatric Ophthalmology Day. Sainte-Justine Hospital, Montreal, Quebec. October 16, 2009

- 18) Retinal Vascular Disorders of Childhood. Department of Ophthalmology Grand Rounds, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia. May 20, 2009
- 19) Albinism In The 21 Century: A Historical Review. Department of Ophthalmology Grand Rounds, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia. March 7, 2007
- 20) Albinism. Grand Rounds, Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority, Halifax, Nova Scotia. November 9, 2006
- 21) Childhood Strabismus: When do You Push the Panic Button. Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society, Fox Harbour, Wallace, Nova Scotia. May 27, 2006
- 22) Genetics of Strabismus. Atlantic Orthoptists Continuing Education Day, Halifax, Nova Scotia. April 21, 2006
- 23) Is it Bardet-Biedl? The Role of the Clinician in Genetic Testing Conference, Iowa City, Iowa. April 6 – 8, 2006
- 24) Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy and Retinopathy of Prematurity: Looking for Molecular Links. Neonatology Research Rounds, St. Joseph Hospital, University of Western Ontario. February 27, 2006
- 25) Genetics of FEVR and Related Disorders. Canadian Ophthalmological Society, Edmonton, Alberta. June 23, 2005
- 26) La Génétique Du Strabisme. Semaine Strabologique, Société Suisse d’Ophtalmologie, Zermatt, Switzerland. December 8, 2004
- 27) Marcoux L-E, Robitaille JM. Incidence of Retinopathy of Prematurity in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Nova Scotia 2001-2003. The Perinatal Follow-Up Program’s 20th Anniversary. IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia. October 7-15, 2004
- 28) Genetics of Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy. Form and Function in Ocular Disease. A multi-disciplinary clinical and basic science symposium to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Eye Care Centre, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia. October 1-2, 2004
- 29) Beis MJ, Guernsey DL, Zheng B, De Becker I, Maxner C, Tremblay F, Parkinson J and Robitaille J. Molecular Characterization of Two Large Canadian Pedigrees with Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy. Annual Research Day, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. May 2004
- 30) Tremblay F, Parkinson J, Beis MJ, De Becker I, Maxner C and Guernsey DL, Zheng B and Robitaille J. Phenotypic Presentation of Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy in Two

Large Canadian Pedigrees. Annual Research Day, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. May 2004

31) Parkinson J, Tremblay F, De Becker I, Maxner C, Beis J, Zheng B, Guernsey D and Robitaille J. Genetic Analysis and Mutation Effect on the Variation of Phenotype of Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy: Visual Field Findings. Annual Research Day, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. May 2004

32) Lessons Learned From a Clinical and Genetic Study of Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy (ADOA): Looking for Phenotype-Genotype Associations. Department of Ophthalmology Grand Rounds, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. May 12, 2004

33) Genetics Research In Ophthalmology: A Maritime Experience. Celebration of Research Excellence. Canadian Institute of Health Research, IWK Health Centre, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. April 2, 2004

34) A Case of Childhood Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension. Twenty-eighth Annual Paediatric Ophthalmology Day. Sainte-Justine Hospital, Montreal, Quebec. October 17, 2003

35) Ford BA, Beis J, Tremblay F, DeBecker I, Bech-Hansen NT, Robitaille JM. Characterization of the Genotype and Phenotype of Congenital Stationary Night Blindness in Atlantic Canada. Annual Research Day, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. June 2003.

36) Follow-up of Patient with Abnormal Head Posture. Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association of Pediatric Ophthalmologists, Halifax, Nova Scotia. June 2003

37) Genetic Tests Really Worth Doing. Canadian Ophthalmological Society, Halifax, Nova Scotia. June 2003

38) Abnormal Head Posture From an Ocular or Nonocular Cause. Case Presentation. Canadian Ophthalmological Society, June 28, 2003

39) Parkinson J, De Becker I, Tremblay F, Beis MJ, Maxner C, Guernsey D, Buncic JR, Robitaille JM. Genetic Analysis and Mutation Effect on the Variation of Phenotype of Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy: Preliminary Findings. The Canadian Orthoptic Society, Halifax, Nova Scotia. June 2003

40) Identifying a Gene for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR). QEII Endocrinology Rounds, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. March 11, 2003

41) Identifying A Gene For Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR). Pathology Rounds, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. January 9, 2003



- 42) Identifying a Gene for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR): From a Blind Infant to the Latest Technology and Back Part II. Department of Ophthalmology Grand Rounds, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. November 6, 2002
- 43) Identifying a Gene for Familial Exudative Vitreoretinopathy (FEVR): From a Blind Infant to the Latest Technology and Back. Life Sciences Development Association, Halifax, Nova Scotia. October 15, 2002
- 44) Abnormal Head Posture From an Ocular or Nonocular Cause. Pediatric Ophthalmology Study Group, University of Iowa. June 12, 2002
- 45) Recognizing Ocular Genetic Problems: Why and How. Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society, Brudenell, Prince Edward Island. May 24, 2002
- 46) Robitaille JM, Beis MJ, Green J. Workshop: Demystifying Genetic Tests. Atlantic Provinces Ophthalmological Society, Brudenell, Prince Edward Island. May 24, 2002
- 47) Eye Problems in Down Syndrome. Pediatric Ophthalmology Rounds, IWK Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia. November 28, 2001
- 48) A Case of Juvenile X-linked Retinoschisis and Ciliary Dyskinesia. Journée annuelle d'ophtalmologie pédiatrique de l'Hôpital Sainte-Justine, Montreal, Quebec. October 2001
- 49) Robitaille JM, Stewart W, Northgrave S. Ocular Manifestations of Sturge-Weber Syndrome? Atlantic Provinces Pediatric Society, Halifax, Nova Scotia. September 2001
- 50) Jones M, Zheng B, Guernsey DL, De Becker I, Robitaille JM. Phenotype-Genotype Analysis of Aniridia. Annual Research Day, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. June 2001
- 51) Evaluation of the Prism Adaptation Test. Atlantic Orthoptists Annual Meeting, IWK Grace Health Centre, Halifax, Nova Scotia. October 5, 2000
- 52) Robitaille JM, Niemeyer G. Retinitis Pigmentosa Symptoms: When Should I Worry? Vision Quest 2000, 11<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Retina International, Toronto, Ontario. July 2000 (An information publication came from this presentation)
- 53) Mitochondrial DNA Mutations and Ophthalmological Diseases. Department of Ophthalmology Grand Rounds, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia. February 2000
- 54) Un Cas De Fixation Alternante Rapide. Journée annuelle d'ophtalmologie pédiatrique de l'Hôpital Sainte-Justine, Montreal, Quebec. October 1999
- 55) Optic Neuritis. Case Presentation. Canadian Neuro-ophthalmology Society. Canadian Ophthalmological Society, Halifax, Nova Scotia. June 1999

- 56) Jones M, Gupta S, Neumann P, De Becker I, Robitaille JM. The Effect of Mutation on the Variability of Phenotype: An Aniridia Study. Annual Research Day, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. June 1998
- 57) Robitaille JM, Zheng B, Tremblay F, Orr A, Guernsey D, Neumann P. The Mapping of Congenital Stationary Night Blindness. Annual Research Day, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia. June 1998
- 58) Robitaille JM, Arnould V, Li Y, Zhu D, Maumenee IH. Linkage Analysis in an Old Order River Brethren Family with Leber Congenital Amaurosis. Ophthalmic Genetics Study Club, American Academy of Ophthalmology, Chicago, Illinois. October 1996
- 59) Robitaille JM, Arnould V, Li Y, Zhu D, Maumenee IH. Linkage Analysis in an Old Order River Brethren Family with Leber Congenital Amaurosis. Wilmer Resident Association Meeting, Johns Hopkins University. May 1996
- 60) Robitaille JM, Bazin R, Chandonnet A, Bélanger PA. Annular Thermokeratoplasty-Animal Model. Annual Ophthalmology Research Day, Université Laval. 1993
- 61) Robitaille JM, Bazin R, Chandonnet A, Bélanger PA. Annular Thermokeratoplasty- A Preliminary Study. Annual Ophthalmology Research Day, Université Laval. 1992
- 62) Mucormycosis Keratitis-a Case Report. Cornea and External Diseases Study Group meeting. Canadian Ophthalmological Society, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. 1991
- 63) Robitaille JM, Bazin R, Chandonnet A, Bélanger PA. Annular Thermokeratoplasty-Animal model. Annual Ophthalmology Research Day, Université Laval. 1991