

May 11, 2022



### **GLOBAL HEALTH WEEK EDITION**

A key signature event as part of McGill's Bicentennial celebrations is [Global Health Week](#), a hybrid event running from May 16 to 20. Built around the overarching theme '*Providing Solutions to Global Challenges*', this week will include activities and events that showcase McGill University as a Canadian centre of excellence for ground-breaking global health research, advocacy and training and the home of the next generation of leaders in the field.

[See the Global Health Week program](#)

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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### **Spend the day at Macdonald campus!**

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On May 18th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the McGill Centennial Center Ballroom, visit Macdonald campus to hear about McGill students' research and commitment in promoting a healthy and sustainable food environment for a growing world population. McGill's Margaret A. Gilliam Institute

for Global Food Security is organizing a mini symposium to stimulate collaboration for the synthesis of affordable and effective strategies towards the improvement of food system's sustainable practices.

**Wondering how to visit Macdonald campus for this event? There will be a private bus roundtrip between both McGill campuses – 9:00 a.m. pick-up at Roddick Gates on the downtown campus and leaving Macdonald campus at 3:00 p.m. to return. A free lunch will be served during the event.**



## Agnes Binagwaho delivers 2022 Victor Dzau and Ruth Cooper-Dzau Distinguished Lecture in Global and Population Health

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On May 18th, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the McGill Faculty Club Ballroom, join us in welcoming Agnes Binagwaho, Vice Chancellor of The University of Global Health Equity, as the speaker for the 2022 Victor Dzau and Ruth Cooper-Dzau Distinguished Lecture in Global and Population Health, "*Closing*

*the equity gap in preparation for the next health threat.*" This lecture aims to recognize outstanding leaders, while celebrating the scholarship that underscores the field's commitment to education, research, and service to our local and global communities.



## Student Perspectives

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On May 17th, from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the McGill Faculty Club Ballroom, students will get the chance to speak to their peers and answer prompts on what decolonizing global health looks like.

Students engaged in global health education and research at McGill University come from many disciplinary backgrounds, and in this speed-networking-style event, students are given the opportunity to exchange their ideas and learnings on

what constitutes decolonization of global health. This event is created by students, for all students who are interested in global health research and practice, and jointly presented by the Canadian Association for Global Health, McGill student chapter and McGill Global Health Programs.

## Building Global Partnerships in Supporting Surgical Capacity in LMICs

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On Thursday, May 19th, from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the McGill Faculty Club Ballroom, the McGill Centre for Global Surgery presents a session focusing on the importance of strong partnerships in further enhancing surgical capacity, including emergency and trauma care in lower- and middle-income countries (LMICs). Moderated by McGill surgeons Dan Deckelbaum and Tarek Razek, this session will focus on the importance of strong partnerships in further enhancing surgical capacity, including emergency and trauma care, in LMICs and will feature presentations by experts from

Senegal, Tanzania, Palestine, Mongolia, Ukraine and Nepal.



#### 4 Burning Questions for... Peter J. Hotez

On Monday, May 16th, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Faculty Club Ballroom, internationally recognized vaccine developer and science explainer Peter J. Hotez, MD, PhD, will kick off Global Health Week with [his public lecture COVID-19 Vaccines: Science vs Antiscience](#).

Dr. Hotez is a regular guest on US news outlets where he fervently defends science in the face of

misinformation. We spoke to him ahead of his lecture about his new patent-free COVID-19 vaccine (for which he was nominated for the 2022 Nobel Peace Prize), his ongoing battle against antiscience rhetoric, and more. [Read more](#)

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## FACULTY FOCUS

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## **Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences**

### **Reaching out: the Centre for Indigenous Peoples' Nutrition and Environment established**

Environmental and cultural changes have an impact on traditional food systems and nutrition of Indigenous Peoples worldwide. Since 1992, CINE researchers have worked hand-in-hand with Indigenous communities around the world, to document and protect traditional indigenous food systems with the ultimate goal of improving food security in these vulnerable populations.

[Learn more](#)

## **Faculty of Science**

### **Our blue dot: Geography, EPS, and AOS**

Some of the youngest departments in the Faculty of Science have robust programs at the forefront of teaching and research in Canada. The geography curriculum became more specialized in the 1970s, branching into developmental geography, health geography, urban studies geography, geomorphology, hydrology, soils, biogeography, and climate geography. The department is roughly split between human and physical geography, with about 70% of its scholars interested in humans' impact on the environment.

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## **UNSUNG HEROES**

*Recognizing those who have shaped McGill behind the scenes.*



**Giuseppe (Joe)  
Gagliano**  
*Desautels Faculty of  
Management*



**Harriet Kuhnlein**  
*Faculty of Agricultural and  
Environmental Sciences*



**Lawrence Marzette**  
*Facilities Management and  
Ancillary Services*

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## A MCGILL MOMENT IN HISTORY

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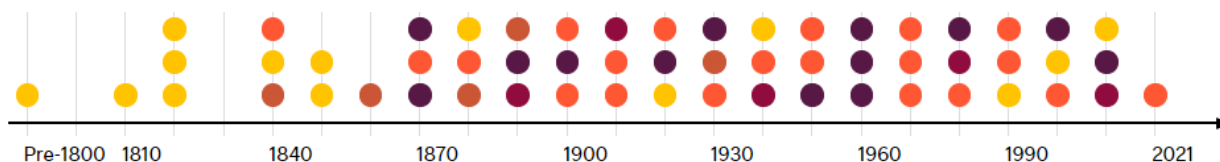
### Development of 3TC: The Team Who Saved Millions of Lives

As the number of cases of AIDS grew exponentially in the 1980s, AZT was the only option for suppressing HIV. The drug, however, had a downside: patients suffered from side effects such as bone-marrow damage, anemia, and extreme pain. Additionally, a large percentage of patients grew resistant to it after just a year of treatment.

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