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Finalists for the CCS-Bayer Vascular Award to be chosen during Canadian Cardiovascular Congress

(October 21, 2019) - The Canadian Cardiovascular Society (CCS) has announced the three finalists in the CCS-Bayer Vascular Awards competition. The finalists will present their projects at the CCS-Bayer Vascular Awards Ceremony, held during the Canadian Cardiovascular Congress (CCC) in Montreal from October 24 to 27.

Following the presentations, an evaluation committee of six leading cardiologist researchers from across Canada will award up to $45,000: $20,000 for first prize, $15,000 for second prize and $10,000 for third prize. There is a bonus award of $5,000 for the finalist that the audience deems to have the most effective and persuasive presentation.

CCS-Bayer Vascular Awards Ceremony

Date: Saturday, October 26, 2019

Time: 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Location: Hotel Monville, 1041, rue de Bleury, Montreal

The three finalists are:

Pishoy Gouda, University of Alberta
Research project: “An externally validated prediction tool for peripheral arterial disease in patients with documented coronary artery disease”

Pietro Di Santo, University of Ottawa Heart Institute
Research project: “Direct oral anticoagulation post-transradial access for the prevention of radial artery occlusion”

Alice Chang, University of British Columbia
Research project: “Beyond atrial fibrillation: “Using artificial intelligence, big data and imaging to improve stroke risk assessment and management”

About the CCS-Bayer Vascular Awards

This award, a joint initiative of CCS and Bayer, funds research projects led by Canadian clinical trainees on any topic related to thrombosis, anticoagulation, stroke or atrial fibrillation,
particularly research that has the potential to advance knowledge about or improve the care of patients at risk for vascular, thrombotic or embolic events.

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**About the Canadian Cardiovascular Society**  
The Canadian Cardiovascular Society represents almost 2,000 cardiologists, cardiac surgeons and other heart health specialists. As the national voice for cardiovascular clinicians and scientists, we promote cardiovascular health and care excellence through knowledge translation, professional development and leadership in health policy and advocacy.