

2014 Jacques de Champlain New Investigator Award



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The 2014 Jacques de Champlain New Investigator Award recognizes and celebrates Dr. Daskalopoulou's leadership through her work with the MeasureBP initiative of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Canadian Hypertension Education Program BP measurement group and the Central Review Committee.

Dr. Daskalopoulou is making significant contributions in the area of hypertension and vessel hemodynamics by the identification of early markers of vascular impairment and maintenance of vascular health. Despite the fact that she is in the early stages of her career, she has demonstrated excellent productivity through more than 90 publications, 1775 citations and an h-index of 25. Her level of research funding is equally impressive.

We acknowledge and thank Dr. Daskalopoulou for:

- Her interest in women's health during their lifespan and her studies in the evolution of blood pressure variability from the perimenopausal to the postmenopausal period;
- Her randomized control trial to determine the effect of dietary calcium intake as compared to supplemental calcium on the vascular system;
- Her research in the area of pre-eclampsia and hypertensive disorders of pregnancy;
- Examining the effect of smoking and smoking cessation on arterial stiffness and vessels hemodynamics, including central blood pressure, as well as the endothelium, in young healthy individuals;
- Bridging the gap between patient care, research and teaching by establishing and directing the Vascular Health Clinic and co-directing the Hypertension Clinic at the McGill University Health Centre;
- Leading the effort to create an electronic database, including all clinical data gathered, to provide unique research opportunities in the area of hypertension ;
- The research opportunities offered to over 70 trainees through her Vascular Health Unit.

We celebrate Dr. Daskalopoulou's dedication and numerous contributions to both research and health services in Canada.