New Faces – July 2024

Name:	Carolyn Wang
Position: (Staff, student, etc.)	Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Lab/Group:	Sin Lab
	Hi everyone, I'm Caro and I have just moved from Australia to start a Postdoctoral position. I have had a very warm welcome to Vancouver given I enjoy the outdoors; it is truly breathtaking here! I am stoked to be joining the team and can't wait to get to know the HLI community.
What activities do you spend most of	I enjoy social sports and am an avid netball
your time on outside of work?	player (is that a thing here?). I also dabble in
	racquet sports and am always keen to try something new.
What is #1 destination you want to travel to?	The Seychelles - a little slice of paradise.
What is your favourite food or favourite restaurant?	Nothing beats fresh sashimi!

Name:	Ila Joseph
Position: (Staff, student, etc.)	Student
Lab/Group:	
	Hi, my name is Ila I am very grateful for this opportunity that allows so many new experiences. I am going into grade 11 and I am with a program called Seed2stem for indigenous secondary school students. I love music and art. I am looking forward to meeting everyone at HLI!
What activities do you spend most of your time on outside of work?	Playing the drums and listening to music
What is #1 destination you want to travel to?	Italy
What is your favourite food or favourite restaurant?	Strawberry soft serve

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Name:	Kevin Seo
Position: (Staff, student, etc.)	Student
Lab/Group:	Dorscheid Lab
	Hello everyone, my name is Kevin and I'm thrilled to be working at the HLI this summer. I am a high school student who will be studying in Science One at the University of British Columbia this fall. In my free time, I love to cook, read and exercise. I'm looking forward to meeting everyone and learning more about everyone's research!
What activities do you spend most of your time on outside of work?	Weight training and cooking.
What is #1 destination you want to travel to?	Japan
What is your favourite food or	Any type of noodles.
favourite restaurant?	
Who is the most famous person	I really want to meet Kevin Hart.
you have met, or who would you	
like to meet?	

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Name:	Mertay Simsek
Position: (Staff, student, etc.)	Student
Lab/Group:	Bernatchez Lab
	Hi, my name is Mertay and I am happy to be a part of Dr. Bernatchez's lab as a graduate student. This will be my first year as a Master's student in the pharmacology program. I like watching and playing sports as well as working out and being outdoors. I also enjoy good food. I'm excited to meet everyone at HLI!
What activities do you spend most	Mainly working out, studying and enjoying
of your time on outside of work?	outdoors.
Name one movie you think	Interstellar
deserves a sequel?	
What is #1 destination you want	Maldives
to travel to?	
What is your favourite food or	A nice steak
favourite restaurant?	

Name:	Na'ama Avitzur
Position: (Staff, student, etc.)	Interstitial Lung Disease Fellow
Lab/Group:	Ryerson
	Hi, my name is Na'ama Avitzur and I will be completing an interstitial lung disease fellowship for the next 2 years, with a focus on quantitative CT in CTD-ILD. I completed my respirology fellowship and medical training in Calgary, and I am looking forward to getting to know Vancouver and the HLI team!
What activities do you spend most	Any outdoor activity; hiking, running, skiing
of your time on outside of work?	
What is your favourite food or	Cheese cake is my all time favourite dessert!
favourite restaurant?	