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<b>Affiliation</b>	Associate Professor of Medicine (Tenure)& William Dawson Scholar / FRQS Clinical Research Scholar at the Departments of Medicine, Human Genetics, Epidemiology and Biostatistics at McGill University, in Montreal, Canada & Senior Lecturer, King's College London (Honorary)
<b>IARC Host Group</b>	Genetic Epidemiology Group (GEP), IARC, in collaboration with Dr Paul Brennan
<b>Programme title at IARC</b>	Genetic Epidemiology of Metabolites and Cancer
<b>Academic Degrees</b>	<b>Master of Science 2006</b> , Epidemiology and Biostatistics, McGill University, Montreal, Canada. <b>Doctor of Medicine 2000</b> , University of Calgary, Canada. <b>Bachelor of Science (Human Genetics; Biology) 1996</b> , McGill University, Montreal, Canada.
<b>Residencies/Post doctoral fellowships</b>	<b>2006-2008 Postdoctoral Fellow</b> , Genetic Epidemiology, Twin Research Unit, St. Thomas' Hospital, King's College London. <b>2005-2006 Postdoctoral Fellow</b> , Epidemiology of Osteoporotic Fractures, McGill University. A Formation Complementary Fellowship from RAMQ funded this fellowship. <b>2005 Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada</b> in Endocrinology <b>2005 Fellow of the College des Medecins du Québec</b> in Endocrinology <b>2004 Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada</b> in Internal Medicine <b>2003-2006 Endocrinology Fellow</b> , McGill University. Chief Resident 2004-2006 <b>2000-2003 Internal Medicine Resident</b> , McGill University. Assistant Chief Resident 2002-2003
<b>Short background</b>	Dr. Brent Richards is an Associate Professor, William Dawson Scholar and FRQS Chercheur Boursier Clinician Scientist, at the Lady Davis Institute of the Jewish General Hospital, at McGill University and a Senior Lecturer at King's College London, UK. Trained in genetics, clinical medicine, endocrinology, epidemiology and biostatistics, Dr. Richards focuses on understanding the genetic determinants of common aging-related endocrine diseases, such as osteoporosis and vitamin D insufficiency. He and his colleagues have made important advances by identifying some of the genes that may cause these diseases. He co-chaired what was world's largest whole-genome sequencing program for common disease and identified a novel and central protein critical to fracture risk through the study over half a million research subjects around the world.  Dr. Richards has also used Mendelian randomization to better understand the role of vitamin D in risk of multiple sclerosis and other diseases.  His work has been recognized through election as a Member of the Royal Society of Canada, College of New Scholars, and the American Society of Clinical Investigation, and a Canadian Institutes of Health Research Foundation Grant.
<b>5 Selected Publications</b>	<u>1.</u> HF Zheng*, V Forgetta*, YH Hsu*, K Estrada*, A Rosello-Diez*, PJ Leo*, CL Dahia*, KH Park-Min*, JH Tobias*, C Kooperberg*, A Kleinman, U Styrkarsdottir, CT Liu, C Uggla, DS Evans, CM Nielson, K Walter, U Pettersson-Kymmer, S

	<p>McCarthy, J Eriksson, T Kwan, M Jhamai, K Trajanoska, Y Memari, J Min, J Huang, P Danecek, B Wilmot, <u>R Li</u>, WC Chou, <u>LE Mokry</u>, <b>113 co-authors (all listed below)</b>, RD Jackson<sup>†</sup>, DW Rowe<sup>†</sup>, CA Loomis<sup>†</sup>, DM Evans<sup>†</sup>, CL Ackert-Bicknell<sup>†</sup>, AL Joyner<sup>†</sup>, EL Duncan<sup>†</sup>, DP Kiel<sup>†</sup>, F Rivadeneira<sup>†</sup>, <b>JB Richards</b><sup>†</sup> for the GEFOS and UK10K Consortia. Whole-genome sequencing identifies <i>EN1</i> as a determinant of bone density and fracture. <b>Nature [IF: 42]</b>. 2015 Sep 14. doi: 10.1038/nature14878. This article received press coverage from <b>The Guardian</b> and was amongst the top 10% of Nature articles receiving coverage in traditional and social media</p> <p>2. JP Kemp<sup>*</sup>, <u>JA Morris</u><sup>*</sup>, C Medina-Gomez<sup>*</sup>, <u>V Forgetta</u>, NM Warrington, SE Youtlen, J Zheng, CL Gregson, E Grundberg, K Trajanoska, JG Logan, AS Pollard, PC Sparks, EJ Ghirardello, R Allen, VD Leitch, NC Butterfield, DSK Komla-Ebri, A-T Adoum, KF Curry, JK White, F Kussy, KM Greenlaw, C Xu, NC Harvey, C Cooper, DJ Adams, CMT Greenwood, MT Maurano, S Kaptoge, F Rivadeneira, JH Tobias, PI Croucher, CL Ackert-Bicknell, JHD Bassett, GR Williams, <b>JB Richards</b><sup>†</sup>, DM Evans<sup>†</sup>. Genome-wide Association Study of Heel Bone Mineral Density Identifies 153 Novel Loci and Implicates Functional Involvement of <i>GPC6</i> in Osteoporosis. <b>Nature Genetics [IF: 28.0]</b>. 2017 Sep 4. Epub ahead of print. I was a co-corresponding author.</p> <p>3. LE Mokry, S Ross, JA Morris, D Manousaki, V Forgetta, <b>B Richards</b>. Genetically decreased vitamin D and risk of Alzheimer’s disease. <b>Neurology [IF: 8.3]</b>. Published online before print November 16, 2016, doi: <a href="http://dx.doi.org/10.1212/WNL.0000000000003430">http:// dx. doi. org/ 10. 1212/ WNL.0000000000003430</a></p> <p>4. <b>JB Richards</b>,* F Rivadeneira,* M Inouye,* TM Pastinen, N Soranzo, SG Wilson, M Falchi, R Gwilliam, KR Ahmadi, P Arp, P Whittaker, T Andrew, M Jhamai, V Kumanduri, M Moorhouse, JB van Meurs, A Hofman, HAP Pols, D Hart, G Zhai, AM Valdes, BS Kato, BH Mullin, F Zhang, P Deloukas, AG Uitterlinden, TD Spector. Bone mineral density, osteoporosis, and osteoporotic fractures: a genome-wide association study.<b>The Lancet [IF: 33.8]</b>. 2008 May 3;371(9623):1505-12. This paper received lay press coverage from the <b>Guardian, Telegraph, Reuters, US World News and Report</b> and several dozen other news organizations.</p> <p>5. <b>JB Richards</b>, X Yuan, F Geller, D Waterworth, V Bataille, D Glass, K Song, G Waeber, P Vollenweider, KK Aben, LA Kiemeny, B Walters, N Soranzo, U Thorsteinsdottir, A Kong, T Rafnar, P Deloukas, P Sulem, H Stefansson, K Stefansson, TD Spector, Vincent Mooser. Male-pattern baldness susceptibility locus at 20p11 <b>Nature Genetics [IF: 33.1]</b> October 2008; doi:10.1038/ng.255</p>
<p><b>Summary of Research Output</b></p>	<p><b>121 papers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 18 papers as a first, or co-first author</li> <li>• 35 papers as a senior, or co-senior author</li> <li>• 32 papers with his students as first, or co-first author</li> <li>• 85 papers at an impact factor ≥ 5.0</li> <li>• 103 papers since his faculty appointment in 2008</li> <li>• Average journal impact factor for all papers is 10.1</li> <li>• H-index is 47. This metric means that 45 of my papers have been cited at least 47 times.</li> <li>• His papers have been cited 10,196 times and 1,800 times in 2016 alone.</li> <li>• 28 of his articles have been cited over 100 times and I have led, or co-led, fifteen of these papers.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• According to Web of Science, twenty-eight of his papers rank in the top 1% of all papers in Clinical Medicine ranked by citations, given the duration of time since publication.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Honours, awards and recognition (a selection of 38 in total)</b></p>	<p><b>2017:</b>  <b>Elected Member of The American Society of Clinical Investigation.</b> “The ASCI is an honor society of physician-scientists, those who translate findings in the laboratory to the advancement of clinical practice.” Two Canadians were elected to this Society in 2017 and four others since 2010.</p> <p><b>Fonds de la Recherche en Santé Québec. Chercheurs-Boursiers Clinicien, Senior.</b> Approx \$122,000 over 4 years. <b>Ranked First in Competition.</b> Salary Award.</p> <p><b>CIHR Gold Leaf Prize for Outstanding Achievements by an Early Career Investigator.</b> Ranked in top 5 of this national competition for researchers within the first ten years of their faculty appointment</p> <p><b>IARC/WHO Senior Visiting Scientist Award, International Agency for Research on Cancer, World Health Organization, Lyon France.</b> \$68,000 to help IARC investigators applying genetic epidemiology methods to understand the role of endocrine pathways in cancer predisposition.</p> <p><b>2016:</b>  <b>Elected Member of the Royal Society of Canada, College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists.</b> Given to recognize emerging Canadian intellectual leaders who have demonstrated a high level of achievement.</p> <p><b>Prix du Jeune Chercheur André-Dupont du Club de Recherches Cliniques du Québec</b></p> <p><b>André-Dupont Young Researcher Award Québec Clinical Research Society.</b> Given for excellence in research for a young researcher in Québec. \$500 over one year</p> <p><b>Clinical Research Scientist of the Year. Lady Davis Institute. McGill University, Faculty of Medicine.</b> To honour a researcher who has made outstanding contributions to their field of study. \$1000.</p> <p><b>2015:</b>  <b>Canadian Society of Clinical Investigation (CSCI) 2015 Joe Doupe Young Investigator Award.</b> “To recognize outstanding research accomplishments in the first eight years of an investigator’s independent career”. \$1,000 over one year.</p> <p><b>William Dawson Scholar Award. McGill University.</b> To “...recognize a scholar developing into an outstanding and original researcher of world-class caliber who is poised to become a leader in his or her field, similar to that of a CRC Tier 2.” \$125,000 over five years.</p> <p><b>McGill Bravo Award.</b> To “Celebrate the cream of the researcher crop” at McGill University for “...winners of major provincial, national and international prizes”.</p> <p><b>2014:</b>  <b>Canadian Institutes of Health Research and Canadian Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism: Jody Ginsburg Young Investigator Award.</b> “Given to an individual who has been at a Canadian University for between 5-10 years and has demonstrated excellence as an independent investigator in clinical science.” \$20,000 over one year for research program costs.</p> <p><b>Nomination to the Royal Society of Canada, College of New Scholars, Artists</b></p>

	<p><b>and Scientists.</b> One of 6 faculty members of McGill University Nominated to the Royal Society. I was not selected for this award by the Royal Society.</p>
<p><b>Current Editorial Board Memberships</b></p>	<p><b>2017:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Journal of Bone and Mineral Research</li> <li>• Journal of Medical Genetics</li> <li>• Nature Genomic Medicine</li> </ul>
<p><b>Ongoing Research Grants awarded between 2013 to 2023</b></p>	<p><b>2016-2017:</b>  <b>National Institute of Health (NIH).</b> Molecular Genetic Studies of von Willebrand Factor. PI: David Ginsburg. <b>Role: co-investigator.</b> \$1,540,203 USD. Amount received: \$15,552 USD.</p> <p><b>2016-2023:</b>  <b>Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Foundation Grant.</b> Declined. "Awarded for sustainable funding for health research leaders for innovative, high-impact research programs." Ranked in the top 2.5<sup>th</sup> percentile of 911 submissions. <b>PI: Brent Richards.</b> Collaborators: George Davey Smith, Douglas Kiel, Mark Lathrop, Matt Maurano, Fernando Rivadeneira, Philippe Sanseau, Stephen Sawcer, Nicole Soranzo, Nicolas Timpson, Cheryl Ackert-Bicknell. \$1.89M over 7 years.</p> <p><b>2016-2019:</b>  <b>Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Program Grant.</b> Causal Proteins for Osteoporosis. <b>PI: Brent Richards.</b> Collaborators: David Goltzman, Elin Grundberg, Cheryl Ackert-Bicknell, Celia Greenwood. \$1.12M over 3 years.</p> <p><b>2016-2018</b>  <b>Merck, Sharpe &amp; Dohme/McGill Faculty of Medicine Grants for Translational Research.</b> Glucose-Independent Mechanisms for Coronary Heart Disease in Type 2 Diabetes: An Epigenetic Study. <b>PI: Brent Richards.</b> Collaborator: Elin Grunberg, Mark Eisenberg. \$200,000 over 2 years.</p> <p><b>2016-2018</b>  <b>Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada + National Multiple Sclerosis Society (co-funded).</b> The association between BMI and EBV with the risk of MS: A Mendelian randomization analysis. <b>PI: Brent Richards.</b> Collaborators: George Davey Smith, Stephen Sawcer. Approx. \$168,488.93 over two years.</p> <p><b>2015-2017</b>  <b>Eli Lilly. Lilly Research Award Program.</b> Somatic Mutations: A Disruptive Paradigm for Identifying Driver Mutations in Autoimmunity. <b>PI: Brent Richards.</b> Peer-reviewed, investigator-led grant. 393,805 over 2 years.</p> <p><b>2015-2020</b>  <b>Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR).</b> Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging (CLSA) First Followup. <b>Role: Co-investigator. PI: Parminder Raina.</b> \$41,600,000 over 5 years.</p> <p><b>2013 – 2018</b>  <b>Canadian Institute of Health Research (CIHR), Canadian Epigenetics, Environment and Health Research Consortium:</b> Full Resolution Metabolic Disease Epigenomics in Human Populations. <b>Role: Co-investigator. PI: Mark Lathrop.</b> \$1.25M over 5 years. <b>This grant ranked first within the competition.</b> Funds received: \$10,000 per annum.</p>
<p><b>Institutional webpage:</b></p>	<p><a href="https://www.mcgill.ca/endocrinology/facultydir/brent-richards">https://www.mcgill.ca/endocrinology/facultydir/brent-richards</a></p>