The Department of Pathology invites you to meet Luc Oligny and celebrate the contributions of M. Daria Haust at a reception immediately following the lecture at the University Club.

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THE SECOND M. DARIA HAUST VISITING LECTURER

DR. LUC OLIGNY

Dr. Oligny is a Pediatric and Molecular Pathologist in the Department of Pathology and Cellular Biology, Université de Montréal and Hôpital Sainte-Justine, Montréal, Québec

"Cancer and Epigenesis - A Developmental Perspective"

Wednesday, May 28, 2003
1630 hours (4:30 p.m.)
Richardson Amphitheatre, Richardson Labs
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The M. Daria Haust Lectureship

M. Daria Haust was born in Poland, and graduated summa cum laude from medical school in Heidelberg in 1951. She emigrated to Montreal as a newlywed with her husband Heinz in January of 1952 and they soon entered rotating internships at the Kingston General Hospital. After a year of atherosclerosis research with Drs. Henry Movat and Robert More, she entered the general pathology residency program at Queen’s finishing in 1959 and then spent 14 months as a postdoctoral fellow in pediatric pathology in Cincinnati. She joined the Faculty at Queen’s in 1960, successfully nurtured two sons and a career in experimental atherosclerosis and pediatric pathology, and in 1967 moved to the University of Western Ontario where she is now Professor Emeritus.

Dr. Daria Haust has had a distinguished career in basic research identifying smooth muscle cells in atherosclerotic lesions and the process of elastogenesis, as a teacher, and in the initiation and promotion of national and international scientific societies, serving in many as president, secretary, treasurer or canceller. Her contributions have been honoured through a multiplicity of awards such as the Canada Council Killam Prize in Medicine, First Presidency of the Canadian Atherosclerosis Society, Gold Medal Award from the International Atherosclerosis Society, the Special Distinguished Colleague Award of the Pediatric Pathology Society, Honorary membership of the Academy of Science of Heidelberg, Best Teacher Awards of the University of Western Ontario, the William Boyd Lectureship of the Canadian Association of Pathology, the Andreas Vesalius Medal for scholastic and scientific contributions by the University of Padua, honorary doctorates at Universities in Krakow, Prague and Havana, honorary Professorship of Medicine at the University of Chile, Santiago and many other distinctions.

Through this lectureship the department honours Daria Haust’s scholarly achievements, her contributions to her profession, and her continuing passionate devotion to our department and to Queen’s University.

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Dr. Luc Oligny

Luc Oligny is a French-Canadian Montreal native who received from McGill University a BSc in Ethology and Genetics, an MSc in Pathology, an MD degree and residency training in Pathology. Dr. Thomas Seemayer introduced him to pediatric pathology and was instrumental in guiding Dr. Oligny as he embarked on a research career. Dr. Oligny completed a combined pediatric pathology and cytogenetics fellowship at the British Columbia Children’s Hospital and it was here, under the guidance of renowned pathologists, including Drs. Kalousek and Dimmick, that he began his initial work in fetal pathology and genetics.

In 1994, Dr. Oligny joined the faculty of the Université de Montréal and the Pathology Department of Hôpital Sainte-Justine. He became an Associate Professor in 1999 and Chief of the Department of Pathology in the Hôpital Sainte-Justine in 2001. Dr. Oligny has an outstanding reputation as an educator, and has been the recipient of several teaching awards.

Dr. Oligny has a broad range of research interests in pediatric pathology including fetal hypoxic-ischemic cerebral injury associated with placental insufficiency, the biochemical and morphologic pathology in HMGCoA lipase knockout mice and the role of insulin growth factor in adrenocortical neoplasia and the Beckwith Wiedemann Syndrome. However, his principal interests are focused on molecular embryogenesis and the developmental perspective of cancer and epigenesis.

Dr. Oligny is in the vanguard of the new generation of molecular pathologists who are implementing cutting edge genetic technology in the investigation of the pathogenesis of disease as well as in diagnostic pathology. Dr. Oligny’s nomination as the second M. Daria Haust Visiting Lecturer provides a fitting bridge between the classic pathologic studies for which Dr. Haust has been renowned and the revolution in diagnostic and experimental pathology which is following on the heels of advances in molecular genetics.