

# Canadian Oxidative Stress Consortium

### **Highlights:**

- 7th COSC meeting at NOSM Lakehead University
- Participants and plenary lectures
- 8th COSC meeting to be held at Carleton University (2014)



Dr. Ashok Grover, key founder of the COSC delivers an opening statement at the COSC meeting at Lakehead U.

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### 7th Meeting of the COSC was a great success!

Held in the serene natural beauty of Lakehead University at Thunder Bay, the COSC meeting was a great pleasure for the participants. The meeting took place between May 10-12, which was organized under the auspucies of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine. There were a wide variety of scientific sessions presented by participants from Canada, as well as some international presenters which included the effects of oxidative stress on nutrition and diabetes, the cardiovascular system, health and disease, cell signaling, and metabolism. Importantly, the COSC was founded on the principle of trainee involvement and there were a large number of trainee participants who were the first presenters of the day.

The meeting also was enriched by the plenary speaker, Dr. Enrique Cadenas, University of Southern California, who presented various



Dr. Enrique Cadenas was keynote speaker at the 7th COSC meeting.

key regulators of mitochondrial energy and redox status in brain aging and neurodegeneration. The organizers of the meeting are also to be commended for their hard work in ensuring the smooth progression of the daily schedule of events. There were flexible options for accommodations, and the COSC was catered well as is traditional for this meeting. The closing dinner was held at Fort William Hsitorical Park which was a unique experience.



Meeting participants gather for a group photo at the 7th Meeting of the COSC.

## See you at Carleton University, Ottawa ON in 2014!

Dr. Bill Willmore from Carleton University has agreed to host the 8th Meeting of the COSC. Mark your calendars as this meeting brings together leaders in the field of oxidative stress from universities throughout Canada.

#### About the COSC...

- Initiated in 1999 by Dr. Ashok Grover, McMaster University, with support from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research.
- The COSC consists of researchers from at least 50 laboratories from 15 universities across Canada.
- Biannual scientific meetings held in different Canadian cities.
- Membership is free

#### Goals of the COSC...

- advancement of research and education in oxidative stress in health and disease
- Foster research collaboration among members
- Provide training opportunities for students and postdoctoral fellows