Ottawa-Carleton Chemical and Environmental Toxicology Seminar Series



FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY

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Aaron Shapiro is a Fellow of the American Board of Forensic Toxicology and the Associate Scientific Director of the BC Provincial Toxicology Centre, where he oversees toxicology testing for death investigations submitted by the BC Coroners Service. During this seminar, he will provide insights into forensic testing in Canada, the requirements for employment in the field, and the path that led him to his current position. Discussion of human performance toxicology, drug-facilitated crimes, and medico-legal death investigations will proceed with specific case examples. Finally, research into the characterization of the illicit drug supply in BC will be presented.

After attending this session, you will:

- Understand the nature of forensic testing in Canada
- Gain an appreciation for the types of employment opportunities that exist in the field
- Be familiar with some common and *uncommon* examples of forensic toxicology casework

