RESEARCH NEWS

New Canada-France Collaboration
Simon Fraser University, the City of Surrey and France’s Société d’Accélération du Transfert de Technologies (SATT Grand Centre) have signed an MOU, opening the door to collaboration between Canada and France on a range of health-technology projects. AGE-WELL played a key role and will collaborate on projects with SATT.
Learn more »

AGE-WELL Research Featured in Globe and Mail
In an interview with The Globe and Mail, AGE-WELL Scientific Director Dr. Alex Mihailidis described an array of “intelligent” systems that his group is developing to help older people and those with cognitive impairment.
Read the article »

RESEARCH FUNDING

Strategic Investment Program Grants Awarded
Post-discovery projects in Edmonton, Toronto and Waterloo have received funding in a second competition for AGE-WELL grants that provide rapid and responsive support for commercialization and knowledge mobilization activities.
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Funding for Aging & Gerontechnology Research
Two projects have been selected to receive funding from AGE-WELL and the Centre de recherche de l’Institut universitaire de gériatrie de Montréal (CRIUGM), one of our post-secondary institution partners.
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TRAINING & MENTORSHIP

Inaugural Summer Institute 2016
Eighteen trainees from across Canada will take part in our summer program in Mont-Tremblant, Quebec. Participants will work closely with mentors and develop technologies or other solutions to improve the lives of older adults with dementia. Teams will work through the design process from problem definition to business models to prototyping, ending with a pitch competition.
Learn more »

AGE-WELL Trainee Presents at HTAi 2016
Heather McNeil, a University of Waterloo PhD student, had the unique experience of presenting on her dissertation topic at HTAi 2016 in Tokyo. McNeil spoke about engagement of older adults in health innovation ecosystems, and helped convene a panel on important issues in health technology assessment and aging internationally.

HEATHER McNEIL WITH PANELISTS AT HTAi
RESEARCH PROFILE

Detecting Pain Automatically
A team led by scientists at the University of Regina and Toronto Rehab-University Health Network aims to revolutionize the way pain is assessed in long-term care facilities. Their goal is to adapt facial recognition technologies to alert staff when a person with dementia is experiencing pain.

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NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIPS

Winterlight Labs Wins Pitch Event
An AGE-WELL startup captured first prize at a pitch event hosted by the Toronto chapter of Aging2.0, as part of their Global Local Startup Search. Winterlight Labs has developed a speech-assessment technology to quickly detect and monitor cognitive impairment. The next stage of the competition is online voting and expert judging. Vote at www.aging2.com from July 18 – August 19. Learn more »

Accessibility Idea-thon
End users, caregivers, researchers, clinicians, entrepreneurs, engineers and designers got together in May to brainstorm ways to improve the lives of people with accessibility needs. AGE-WELL was pleased to be a sponsor of the idea-thon, hosted by Braze Mobility Inc., an AGE-WELL startup, and Enables Me. Learn more »

Sharing Views on Policy Shifts Needed to Foster Innovation
An Ottawa event held by The Hill Times provided a forum for discussion about innovative practices and policies for an aging population. Panelists included AGE-WELL investigators Drs. Josephine McMurray and Jeff Jutai. Learn more »

On the Convention Floor at ‘Discovery’
AGE-WELL and Braze Mobility Inc. were thrilled to be exhibitors at Discovery, known as Canada’s leading innovation-to-commercialization conference. Hosted by the Ontario Centres of Excellence (OCE), the event attracted thousands of attendees. Learn more »

UPCOMING EVENTS

AGE-WELL Pitch Competition: Technology to Support People with Dementia
Pitch, Learn, Network! Nine teams are set to pitch their ideas to a panel of expert judges and the public on July 23 in Toronto. Learn more »

AGE-WELL Annual Conference and AGM
Our 2nd annual conference, being held October 18-20 in Montreal, will feature speakers, panels and networking opportunities. All AGE-WELL investigators, industry and community partners, students, board and committee members, and staff are invited to attend. Canadian seniors and caregivers are welcome. Learn more »

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