

Excellence award for Santiago

Congratulations to Jon-Jon Santiago, PhD student in the [Kardami Lab \(Muscle Cell Biochemistry\)](#), who was awarded the Certificate of Excellence for outstanding poster presentation at the recent CIHR Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health Youth Forum conference in Vancouver. Jon-Jon's poster was entitled "*Cardiomyocyte hypertrophy is mediated by paracrine activity of cardiac non-myocyte-derived high molecular weight fibroblast growth factor-2*"

The YI Forum is a major training and educational initiative of CIHR's Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health. Each year, the YI Forum provides young investigators and trainees with an opportunity to showcase their research; interact with senior researchers and faculty; learn about career development and state of the art research and technologies.

This year the institute teamed up with the Providence Heart + Lung Institute at UBC to co-host the 2010 YI Forum in Vancouver, British Columbia. The 2010 meeting took place from May 5-7th, at the Pan Pacific, a downtown Vancouver waterfront hotel.