## HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA RESEARCH: A RAPID AND EVOLVING RESPONSE



## Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Research: A Rapid and Evolving Response May 28, 2024 | Walter House | 282 Somerset St. W. | Ottawa, Ontario

With a view to addressing knowledge gaps for H5Nx through a rapid and effective research response, and as part of a knowledge mobilization partnership supported by a CIHR-PHAC Applied Public Health Chair in Pandemic and Health Emergency Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery, the RSC is facilitating a technical meeting of scientists and policymakers May 28th at Walter House in Ottawa.

The objectives of the meeting are:

- 1. To consolidate the current state of science, knowledge, and action related to the research response to H5Nx in wildlife and domestic animals, and implications for prevention and preparedness for human health;
- 2. To enable multidisciplinary, cross-sectoral efforts to rapidly address research priorities through scientific excellence;
- 3. To further integrate a One Health perspective into research planning for an emerging health threat.

Tuesday, May 28		
9:30am	Doors Open, Coffee	
10:00am	Opening Remarks, Land Acknowledgement	<ul> <li>Samira Mubareka, University of Toronto</li> <li>Darren Gilmour, Royal Society of Canada</li> <li>Sarah Viehbeck, Public Health Agency of Canada</li> </ul>
10:30am	Panel & Discussion   How do we take the science from here? This session will contribute to a shared understanding of the current H5Nx situation and catalyse discussion around how to address research priorities in a rapid and effective manner.	<ul> <li>Jeff Bowman, Trent University (Moderator)</li> <li>Claire Jardine, University of Guelph</li> <li>Harold Kloeze, Feather Board</li> <li>Finlay Maguire, Dalhousie University</li> <li>Allison McGeer, University of Toronto</li> <li>Matthew Miller, McMaster University</li> </ul>
12:15pm	Lunch	
1:00pm	Avian influenza A(H5Nx)   Public Health Knowledge Gaps and Research Needs: Key themes for action This session will focus on a more detailed discussion of the research response for priority research areas. What does scientific excellence look like in this situation? How do we move forward to produce timely and high-quality evidence for decision-making?	
	<ul> <li>Theme 1: Identification and characterization of H5Nx</li> <li>Theme 2: Methods and Tools</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Emily Halajian, Shayan Sharif</li><li>Damien Joly, Shelly Bolotin</li></ul>

	Theme 3: Evidence-based interventions	Matthew Miller, Sean Hillier
2:45pm	Closing Remarks	David Nanang, CFIA
3:00pm	Meeting Close	

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