Queen's University School of Medicine presents The 3<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dr. Andrew and Margaret Bruce Visiting Scholar in Surgical Innovation

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The Queen's University
Departments of Surgery and Urology
invite you to a special presentation by



## Dr. Garth D. Ehrlich, PhD Man vs. Microbe

Are we Winning the War of the Genomes?

Dr. Ehrlich is Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, and Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at Drexel University College of Medicine in Philadelphia, PA, USA. His research crosses multiple disciplines in both basic and clinical science and his studies have enabled him to make substantial contributions, particularly in the understanding of bacterial pathogenesis. His work in the area of bacterial biofilm has explained many of the paradoxical aspects of mucosal infections, and by disease gene mapping and cloning studies he has shown the role of bacterial pathogens in "sterile"



conditions in many surgical disciplines, impacting on potential treatment modalities. More recently, he has used statistical genetics to identify genes associated with virulence factors in bacterial populations. Dr. Ehrlich's latest paradigm-changing hypothesis, developed with his collaborator, Judith Miklossy, are that both osteoarthritis and Alzheimer's Disease (AD), result from a combination of chronic bacterial biofilm infections of the joints and brain, respectively, and in the case of AD the brain's anti-microbial and inflammatory responses to these infections.

## Tuesday, October 21st, 2014, 5:00 PM

The Dr. Andrew and Margaret Bruce Endowment for Visiting Scholars in Surgical InnovationEstablished by Dr. Andrew and Margaret Bruce, the endowment will be used to suport hosting of prominent scholars at Queen's University. It is the goal and objective of this endowment that the visiting scholar will bring special expertise in the area of surgical scholarship, will introduce new research and ideas, will teach new methodologies to Queen's medical scientists and clinicians and provide new concepts to the students.

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Queen's University Room 032A (Lower Level)

All welcome - Free Admission Refreshments at 4:30 PM