

# Particle Physics Faculty Meeting

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## News

- Happy New Year!
- I hope you all had a good break and got some rest
- Let's hope 2022 will be a better year



## News

- **HyperK** and **ALPHA BAE** positions posted on Inspire and various platforms + journals
  - Application deadlines January 23<sup>rd</sup> and January 30<sup>th</sup> respectively
  - Start dates will be September 1, 2022
  - Search committee composition proposals have been agreed on with the directors and candidates are being contacted
  
- Possible timeline
  - First committee conference call end of January / early February (introductions and instructions and agree on timelines)
  - Conference call (tentative) mid-February / early March (define short-list)
  - Interviews end of March/early April
  
- Can discuss interview format for PP in a forthcoming meeting

## From SMM

### Physical Sciences

- TRIUMF Board of Governors approved
  - Promotions of PSD scientists
    - Mark Hartz – Level C, Senior Scientist
    - David McKeen – Level B, Scientist
  - Emeritus status
    - Stan Yen





## SMM

- We just received today the late notification that it is Particle Physics turn to send slides for the SMM (Allayne had to update her calendar for 2022)
- Please send your slide with recent highlights to Mark
  - ideally tomorrow, but early Monday should also be sufficient

## From Adrian (Town Hall)



### Impact of Omicron – Current BC CDC Guidance and TRIUMF Policy

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- ***If symptomatic***
  - **Do not come to work**, self-isolate and contact 811 for further guidance.
- ***If test positive (HR managing return to work per these guidelines)***
  - If fully vaccinated – **self-isolate for at least 5 days** since the start of your symptoms. End when asymptomatic and no fever.
  - If unvaccinated or partially vaccinated, **self-isolate for at least 10 days** since the start of your symptoms. End when asymptomatic and no fever.
- ***If a close contact***
  - If fully vaccinated – **self monitor for 14 days**, do not need to self-isolate

## From Adrian (Town Hall)



### Additional TRIUMF Measures (January 2022)

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- Reducing staff on site
- Occupancy limits posted on lunchrooms – should not share a table while eating
- Occupancy limits posted on operator control rooms
- Masks – Medical/Surgical masks strongly recommended. Cloth acceptable. Important that masks fit well and are worn properly.
- Limit in-person meetings if possible, meet virtually if it is an option
- Large meetings in auditorium restricted; bookings to be approved by CSO



## From Adrian (Town Hall)



### Update: Vaccination Mandate

- Since December 17, 2021, TRIUMF has required all Appointees, Employees, and those Visitors with site access must declare their vaccination status with the organization
  - Key documentation related to the Vaccination Verification policy can be found on the COVID-19 Resources page (<https://www.triumf.ca/COVID-19%20RESOURCES/#vac>)
- As of now, TRIUMF has 98% compliance across Appointees
- Contractors and new visitors continue to be screened as they enter our site
  - Have had 2 contractors not allowed on site due to lack of proof
- For those that are partially vaccinated, the deadline to obtain your full vaccination is January 17, 2022
- Third dose/boosters will be evaluated if/when provincial guidance changes.





## From Adrian (Town Hall)



### Update: Key Documents and Procedures

- **COVID-19 Resources Page** (<https://www.triumf.ca/COVID-19%20RESOURCES>)
  - The repository of all key TRIUMF information related to the pandemic
- **TRIUMF Communicable Disease Prevention Plan** ([Document-206122](#))
  - This is TRIUMF's primary COVID-19 policy and procedure document; as per Provincial direction, we are transitioning from a Communicable Disease Prevention Plan back to a COVID-19 Safety Plan
  - As per the Plan, if you test positive for COVID-19, irrespective of the test type, please contact your supervisor and Occupational Health and Safety (via [covid-19-ehs@triumf.ca](mailto:covid-19-ehs@triumf.ca)) immediately to communicate the results. Any supervisors who receive such reports of positive cases within their teams must also share this information with OHS and Human Resources (via [idoyle@triumf.ca](mailto:idoyle@triumf.ca)) to ensure the information is appropriately collected, recorded, and communicated

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## Misc Items

- HR
  - Alicia Helde left TRIUMF -> MITACS
  - Dana new role
  
- Workday
  - Questions around OT and ATO -> Dedicated Leadership meeting
  
- Work Force review
  - Started, Nigel Smith to discuss with directorate, ALD's, Dept. Heads
  
- New CFI's (DarkLight, Hyper-K, PONE, ARGO)
  - Gate 1 committees being organized by Petr
  
- Next PP-EEC likely end of March (beginning of April)
  - to be announced soon

## New Funding Opportunities

- See emails from Erin Envoy
- NSERC introduces new [Alliance International grants](#)
  - Alliance International Catalyst: **up to \$25,000 CAD for one year**, to allow Canadian researchers to identify and initiate the first stage of collaboration, by a) supporting exploratory research activities, and/or b) initiating exchanges for Canadian personnel.
  - Alliance International Collaboration: **up to \$100,000/year for up to 3 years**, to allow Canadian researchers to participate in international projects. International collaborators are expected to have already secured funding from their own national funding agency for the project, and to identified the Canadian researcher(s) in their peer-reviewed proposal.
- [NSERC-National Science Foundation collaborative research funding](#) opportunity
  - The opportunity focuses on the areas of **artificial intelligence** and **quantum science**.
  - **Research teams must include both US and Canadian researchers**, who will submit a single proposal at the full application stage, to be reviewed by the NSF.



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## Next Meeting

- Nominally February 10<sup>th</sup>, but at the beginning of the year worthwhile to re-evaluate if this is still the best time/date. E.g. UBC Affiliates have UBC Dept meetings 50% of the time overlapping.

## Round Table

- ATLAS
- T2K/HyperK
- TUCAN
- ALPHA
- SuperCDMS
- DarkLight
- Pienu / PIONEER
- NA62
- n-EXO / PHAAR
- SNO+
- HALO
- g-2
- Belle 2
- Theory