

## **In Memoriam: Dr. Sohrab Lutchmedial**

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The Faculty of Medicine and Dalhousie University are deeply saddened to announce the sudden and unexpected passing of Dr. Sohrab Lutchmedial, Assistant Professor in Medicine at Dalhousie University and part-time lecturer at Dalhousie Medicine New Brunswick (DMNB), on November 8, 2021 at the age of 52.

Born in Sherbrooke, Quebec, Dr. Lutchmedial graduated from Queen's University in 1989 with a BSc in biology and obtained his medical degree from McGill University in 1993. He went on to train in Internal Medicine and Cardiology at McGill and became certified as a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in Internal Medicine (1996) and later in Cardiology (1999). He completed subspecialty training in Interventional Cardiology at l'Université de Montréal in 2000.

Dr. Lutchmedial made Saint John, New Brunswick home and became, in his words, a "born-again Maritimer" when he joined the New Brunswick Heart Centre (NBHC) as an interventional cardiologist in June 2000, dedicating more than 20 years of his life to the care of patients suffering from heart disease.

He became the Director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory at the NBHC in 2005, sat on the New Brunswick Heart and Stroke board, and served as the Atlantic representative for the Canadian Association of Interventional Cardiologists. The founder and editor-in-chief of the New Brunswick Heart Centre newsletter 'Heartbeat', Dr. Lutchmedial was also the writer, producer, and often actor in a series of medical information videos for cardiac patients.

A passionate advocate of promoting equity in health education and support for the early prevention of cardiovascular disease, Dr. Lutchmedial was a brilliant scholar and beloved mentor to Dalhousie University Research in Medicine (RIM) students and clinical research professionals.

Dr. Lutchmedial was a devoted son, brother, husband, and father. A Montreal Canadiens fan, he also loved hockey and instilled that same love in his children, supporting their NHL dreams by coaching local hockey teams.

Leaving behind an incredible legacy, Dr. Lutchmedial will always be remembered for his kindness and understanding, commitment and enthusiasm, comradery and inspiring spirit. He will be profoundly missed.