BC Prostate Cancer Foundation Research Awards for 2019

On Tuesday December 4, 2018, at the BC/Yukon Canadian Cancer Society offices, the BC PC Foundation awarded \$150,000 to three BC researchers. The awards continue the foundation's stellar involvement in fund raising that supports innovative cancer research in British Columbia. As well, three local people were honoured for their contributions in support of prostate cancer awareness and support to patients. The awards are:

- 1. The *Pioneer Award* in honour of Margaret Kury went to **Dr. Shahram Khosravi** of the U. of British Columbia. Dr. Khosravi received \$100,000 to continue his research into personalizing treatment of castration resistant metastatic prostate cancer.
- 2. The *Founder Award* in honour of Leno Zecchel went to **Dr. Xinmei Ci** of the Vancouver Prostate Cancer Centre. Dr. Ci received \$100,000 to continue her research into cell transdifferentiation in neuro-endocrine prostate cancer.
- 3. The *Michael Izen Award* went to **Jake Noble** of the Vancouver Prostate Cancer Centre. Mr.Noble received \$50,000 to pursue research into small molecule ERG antagonists in the attempt to find new treatment alternatives for metastatic prostate cancer.