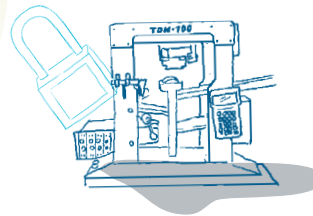
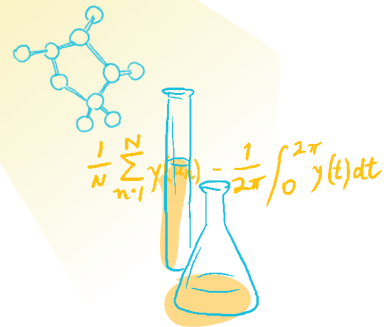
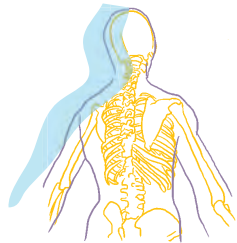


AN INFLUENTIAL VOICE FOR 30 YEARS



DECLARATION OF DATA RELIABILITY

The information contained in this activity report falls under my responsibility as president and CEO of the Institut de recherche Robert-Sauvé en santé et en sécurité du travail (IRSST). I hereby attest to its accuracy and the reliability of the controls carried out.

Recommended by the IRSST's Scientific Advisory Board and approved by its Board of Directors, this 2010 activity report faithfully describes the Institute's mission, vision and principal achievements.

It presents the indicators used to assess the Institute's production and provides accurate and reliable data on the results obtained.

I therefore declare that I have every reason to believe that the observable facts and measurable data presented in this report correspond to the situation as it stood at December 31, 2010.



Marie Larue
President and CEO



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO

Looking back, 2010 was clearly a landmark year in more ways than one. Not only did it signal the IRSST's 30th anniversary, but it put into perspective the contributions our institution has made over the years to the advancement of occupational health and safety knowledge. It also laid the groundwork for our future endeavours and those of our partners, on highly topical issues.

In 2010, the IRSST positioned itself on a number of unavoidable issues – such as occupational psychological health – that are a growing preoccupation for the research and workplace communities. Based on our partners' concerns and solid evidence, this positioning was defined and discussed at length before consensus was reached. Members of the scientific community and the representatives of the employer associations and trade unions who sit on our Scientific Advisory Board agreed to the positioning proposed. I wish to take this opportunity to offer them my warmest thanks for their support throughout the year, with special thoughts for the late **Jean-Marc Brodeur**, who was recognized as an emeritus researcher in the field of population health. He whose input so enriched the meetings of our Scientific Advisory Board over the past ten years would most certainly have wanted to participate in the discussion.

With regard to both the aging of the workforce and the prevention of work-related psychological injuries, the issues facing the workplace community are as complex as the challenges confronting the research community. The dividing line between personal problems and work-related injuries is not always clear, nor are the determinants of such injuries always attributable solely to work. However, as we all know that these problems are already upon us, it is preferable for us to assume leadership by tackling them today. In this area as in others, our personnel are driven by the same quest for excellence and integrity as were the IRSST's founders back in 1980.

As stated in its mission, the Institute also serves as a scientific benchmark centre and source of expertise. Whether by sending experts to appear before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health, which is looking into the dangers associated with nanotechnologies; by participating in national and international standardization committees; by holding colloquia and scientific events; or by offering officially recognized high-calibre laboratory services, the IRSST carries influence both at home and abroad.

The year 2010 marked our 30th anniversary, which we underscored through the inauguration of the IRSST Prize for the best OHS scientific article published as a result of research projects we have funded. We also joined forces with the Association de la recherche industrielle du Québec (ADRIQ) to award the first IRSST Prix Innovation – SST.

Looking back on our achievements in 2010 and those of the past 30 years, we can see all that we have accomplished, but also all that remains to be done. Given the severity and complexity of the emerging issues, the IRSST earnestly hopes that its knowledge and expertise will exert as much influence in the future as they have in the last three decades. We will thus be able to continue supporting the prevention of occupational injuries in the workplace and the rehabilitation of affected workers.



Marie Larue



2010 IN NUMBERS

RESEARCH

174

PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES WERE ACTIVE¹

31

projects began, including (**21** joint, **7** external, and **3** internal)

47

projects were completed

96

projects were in progress

185

PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS IN THE NETWORK WERE INVOLVED IN ACTIVE PROJECTS

100

NEW REQUESTS FOR EXPERTISE WERE RECEIVED

65

EXTERNAL COMMITTEES INCLUDED AT LEAST ONE IRSST REPRESENTATIVE:

18

committees of the CSST and its network, including regulatory committees

17

national and international standards committees

30

other local, national and international committees

36

SCHOLARSHIPS WERE AWARDED, FOR A TOTAL OF \$409,500¹

1. Summaries of all the projects funded or carried out by the IRSST and a complete list of all scholarship recipients are available on its Web site at: www.irsst.qc.ca.

LABORATORY SERVICES AND EXPERTISE

62,202

ENVIRONMENTAL, TOXICOLOGICAL AND MICROBIOLOGICAL ANALYSES WERE PERFORMED, OF WHICH 85% WERE FOR PARTNERS IN THE PREVENTION-INSPECTION NETWORK: THE CSST, LOCAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES NETWORK DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES, AND JOINT SECTOR-BASED ASSOCIATIONS

DISSEMINATION

51

PUBLICATIONS, INCLUDING:

49

research reports, technical fact sheets, and guides published by the IRSST

2

guides published in collaboration with partners

198

PEER-REVIEWED SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS RELATED TO PROJECTS CARRIED OUT OR FUNDED BY THE IRSST:

68

journal articles

117

articles published in conference proceedings

13

other publications, such as book chapters, master's theses, and doctoral dissertations

51

OTHER PRESENTATIONS GIVEN BY IRSST PERSONNEL OR IRSST-FUNDED RESEARCHERS AT SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCES OR EVENTS ORGANIZED BY PARTNERS

39

POPULARIZED ARTICLES IN *PRÉVENTION AU TRAVAIL*, THE MAGAZINE PUBLISHED BY THE CSST AND THE IRSST

4,134

PUBLICATIONS DISTRIBUTED IN RESPONSE TO REQUESTS

458,179

DOWNLOADS OF RESEARCH REPORTS FROM THE IRSST'S WEB SITES²

1,209,416

VISITS TO THE INSTITUTE'S WEB SITES²

17,174

SUBSCRIBERS TO *INFO IRSST*, THE ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER PREPARED BY THE COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, RECEIVED PERIODIC NEWS REGARDING THE IRSST'S LABORATORY ACTIVITIES, NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS, AND LATEST PUBLICATIONS

2. Data compiled by NetTracker software

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7,354

HOURS WERE DEVOTED TO THE CALIBRATION, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIR OF DIRECT-READING AND SAMPLING INSTRUMENTS, WITH 84% OF THESE HOURS DEDICATED TO THE OHS AND PREVENTION-INSPECTION NETWORK

OCCUPATIONAL PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH

A source of concern for workers and employers alike, occupational psychological health (OPH), also known as mental health in the workplace, poses a major challenge. Every year, it results not only in considerable human costs, but also in major productivity losses for Québec's economy. Given the steady increase in employment-related psychological health problems, the IRSST launched a working group chaired by the director of its Scientific Division, **Paul-Émile Boileau**. This group drew up a research positioning proposal that was well-received by the IRSST's Scientific Advisory Board.

Occupational psychological health now figures officially on the IRSST's list of priority research themes.

More specifically, the Institute will be lending its support to original and useful research projects pertaining to the prevention of OPH problems and to the psychosocial factors that make it difficult to keep people with such problems at work or that hinder their sustainable return to work. In view of the complex and multifactorial nature of the problems and solutions involved, three key components will continue to guide our project development – interdisciplinary research teams, projects that address the needs of the workplace community, and a clear concern for knowledge translation – but from the broader perspective of ensuring sustainable development at a societal level.

---THEMES---

Based on this positioning, priority will be given to the following research themes:

- the relationship between the various characteristics of the labour market (e.g. size of companies and workforce mobility), work organization (e.g. workload and schedule) and psychological health;
- the role of psychosocial factors in the prevention of occupational psychological health problems;
- the role of physical and psychosocial factors and the state of psychological health in the prevention of musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs);
- the role of psychosocial factors in keeping people with an occupational psychological health problem at work and in their sustainable return to work;
- violence and harassment in the workplace.

These themes fit naturally into three research fields already in place at the IRSST: Work Context and OHS, Occupational Rehabilitation, and Musculoskeletal Disorders. The Institute will therefore channel its OPH research into these three priority fields, and will create and fill a position for a researcher specialized in this field.

---LEADERSHIP---

In a context where occupational psychological health injuries are on the rise, the IRSST wishes to fulfil its role by ensuring that the advancement of knowledge will help provide stakeholders with better, evidence-based tools. It intends to lead the way by developing and conducting studies that will yield solutions effective in preventing occupational psychological health injuries in Québec workers.

COLLOQUIUM ON OCCUPATIONAL PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH

The IRSST's positioning on occupational psychological health was officially announced before **330** attendees at its annual institutional colloquium, which in 2010 was entitled *Santé psychologique: des solutions pour mieux intervenir dans les milieux de travail* (psychological health: solutions for more effective interventions in the workplace). The event targeted all those wanting to improve their knowledge of employment-related psychosocial risks, the impacts of these risks on health and the relevant solutions. Participants included researchers, physicians, preventionists, insurers, and worker and employer representatives, among others.

The lectures given by experts at this colloquium were based on the results of research projects funded by the IRSST. Since 2005, over **25** projects with an occupational psychological health component have been carried out. These projects involved, among others, convenience store employees who had been the victims of armed robbery, 911 emergency call centre employees suffering from stress and musculoskeletal injuries, and police officers who had experienced a traumatic event.

In addition to the evidence and findings presented by researchers, testimonials were given by individuals from various workplaces who came to share their expertise and experiences with implementing solutions, from the perspective of prevention and sustainable return to work. The attendees' great appreciation of this conference initiative corroborates the usefulness and applicability of research results.





RESEARCH BY FIELD

Thirty-one new research projects and activities were added to those already under way, bringing the total roster of active projects in 2010 to no less than **174**. The new projects include the following:

NOISE AND VIBRATION

- Development of a system that can be used in the field to measure the coupling forces at the interface between the hand and the handle of portable vibrating tools, **Pierre Marcotte** (IRSST) et al.
- Characterization of hypothenar hammer syndrome in workers using hand-held tools, **Alice Turcot** (Institut national de santé publique du Québec) et al.
- Quantification of biomechanical and sensorimotor parameters that affect the biodynamic response of the hand-arm system when using vibrating tools, **Denis Marchand** (Université du Québec à Montréal) et al.



WORK CONTEXT AND OHS

- Conditions for work performance and OHS: results of an interregional investigation on youth in high school and college, **Luc Laberge** (Université du Québec à Chicoutimi) et al.



PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- Preliminary study to identify the accidents caused by slip and fall in police and school crossing guards services, **David Pearsall** (McGill University) et al.
- Updating of the *Guide pratique de protection respiratoire* (practical guide to respiratory protection), **Jaime Lara** (IRSST) et al.



OCCUPATIONAL REHABILITATION

- Effect of an early screening and systematic referral program on long-term disability and the well-being of workers following common low back pain, **Manon Truchon** (Institut de réadaptation en déficience physique du Québec) et al.
- Review of knowledge on the assessment and management of workers with osteoarthritic knees, **Nathaly Gaudreault** (Centre d'action en prévention et réadaptation de l'incapacité au travail) et al.





SAFETY OF INDUSTRIAL TOOLS, MACHINES, AND PROCESSES

- Exploratory study on lockout in the municipal affairs sector, **Yuvín Chinniah** (École Polytechnique de Montréal) et al.
- Safety of plastic injection molding machines with peripheral equipment during maintenance and production interventions in companies, **Yuvín Chinniah** (École Polytechnique de Montréal) et al.
- Evaluation of rolling motion-damping systems on Québec's semi-offshore fishing boats, **Marie-Hélène Fournier** (Halieutec), et al.



CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES AND BIOLOGICAL AGENTS

- Mapping nanotechnology in Québec, **Charles-Anica Endo** (AGY consultation) et al.
- Review and analysis of the literature on variations in physiological parameters in older workers and their consequences for exposure limits, seen from a prevention perspective, **Claude Émond** (Université de Montréal) et al.
- Updating of the MIXIE computer-based tool, toxicological interactions, **Adolf Vyskocil** (Université de Montréal) et al.
- Occupational exposure to respiratory viruses in a hospital environment: a pilot project, **Caroline Duchaine** (Centre de recherche de l'Institut universitaire de cardiologie et de pneumologie de Québec) et al.
- General profile of Québec workers' exposure to carcinogens, **France Labrèche** (IRSST) et al.
- Knowledge review – Thermal and chemical stress, **Ginette Truchon** (IRSST) et al.
- Optimizing the mineralogical analysis method used for lung tissues, through transmission electronic microscopy – Phase 1 (experimentation), **Chantal Dion** (IRSST) et al.
- Web site on solvent substitutions in the workplace, **Michel Gérin** (Université de Montréal) et al.

MUSCULOSKELETAL DISORDERS



- Teaching tools for upper limb MSD prevention in the automobile services sector, **Charles Gagné** (IRSST) et al.
- Measurement of paramedic ambulance technicians' exposure to musculoskeletal disorder risk factors, **Philippe Corbeil** (Université Laval) et al.
- Integration of a sustainable MSD prevention culture in a large manufacturing company: Step II Implementation of preventive actions, **Marie St-Vincent** (IRSST) et al.
- Comparison of two portable, three-dimensional back-posture measurement apparatuses, **Christian Larue** (IRSST) et al.
- Development of a prototype of a subway operator's seat: a partnership endeavour for concrete spinoffs, **Louise Sutton** (IRSST).
- Biomechanical and ergonomic impacts of handling on obese workers, **Philippe Corbeil** (Université Laval) et al.

SPECIAL PROJECTS



- Relevance of and conditions for using thermal indicators in the Québec context, **Pierre C. Dessureault** (Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières) et al.
- Impacts of climate change on occupational health and safety, **Joseph Zayed** (Université de Montréal) et al.
- Estimation of the number of occupational cancers in Québec, **France Labrèche** (IRSST) et al.



BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

For several years now, the IRSST has been building partnerships to increase its research capacity and broaden its reach and influence. In 2010, these partnerships represented a total joint investment of **\$3,870,787**, with **\$1,905,680** of this amount coming from its partners.

Partnerships generate more than financial spinoffs. They also have enabling effects, allowing human and physical resources as well as expertise to be shared with various collaborators. In 2010, over half a dozen new partnership agreements were signed.

- An agreement was initialled with the **Centre hospitalier universitaire Sainte-Justine** for the joint funding of projects of the Ne³LS network concerning the ethical, environmental, economic, legal and social issues associated with nanotechnology. The IRSST undertook to set aside a resource envelope to fund research projects that include an occupational health and safety component.
- A specific agreement was ratified with France's **Institut national de recherche et de sécurité pour la prévention des accidents du travail et des maladies professionnelles** (INRS-France) for the optimization of a tool for selecting protective gloves resistant to single solvents or mixtures of solvents.
- The **École Polytechnique de Montréal** and the IRSST agreed to formalize their collaborative endeavours in a specific partnership agreement. These endeavours concern mainly the updating and carrying out of the research program for the Safety of Industrial Tools, Machines and Processes field.
- A research and development agreement was initialled with France's **Agence nationale de sécurité sanitaire, de l'alimentation, de l'environnement et du travail** (ANSES), which wants to draw on the IRSST's expertise in the area of exposure to asbestos and tremolitic talc. Under this agreement, ANSES will fund the production of a knowledge synthesis of the asbestiform or non-asbestiform nature of tremolitic talc, its effects on health (epidemiology), and its metrology and regulation.

- A first specific agreement was signed with the **Workplace Health, Safety & Compensation Commission of Newfoundland and Labrador (WHSCC)** with the aim of producing a review of the scientific literature on the risks of occupational cancers among shipyard workers. This service contract falls within the context of a research and expertise partnership formed by the two organizations in 2009.
- The **Fonds de la recherche en santé du Québec (FRSQ)**, **Fonds de recherche sur la nature et les technologies (FRNT)**, **Fonds de recherche sur la société et la culture (FRSC)** and the IRSST renewed their commitment to fund the Réseau de la recherche en santé et en sécurité du travail du Québec (RRSSTQ).
- A joint research funding program was created with the **Direction de la santé publique** of the **Agence de la santé et des services sociaux de Montréal**. The studies conducted will assess the effectiveness of the prevention activities resulting from the mandate given by the CSST to occupational health and safety teams in the public CSSS (centres de santé et de services sociaux) network.



THE MINING SECTOR: A PRIME EXAMPLE

Among the key concerns for mining companies, which are facing an aging workforce combined with the recurrent problem of labour shortages, are the issues of recruiting and integrating new workers. These issues led the Association paritaire pour la santé et la sécurité du travail du secteur minier (joint sector-based association for occupational health and safety in the mining sector) to submit a request asking the Institute to study the matter. This was the starting point for the development of a project entitled *Conditions for a safe and competent integration of new workers into the mining sector*, and offers a prime example of the multiplier effects of partnerships. In response, the IRSST obtained a financial contribution of **\$332,000** from Québec's Commission des partenaires du marché du travail (CPMT) and of **\$25,000** from the Comité sectoriel de main-d'œuvre de l'industrie des mines du Québec. This joint funding will enhance the project by increasing the number of mining companies selected to take part in the study from three to five.

Statistical analyses, document analysis, interviews, work activity observation and auto-confrontation are some of the data collection methods that will be used to:

- continue developing a model of the effect of work and production organization on knowledge transmission in a context where there is an urgent need to integrate a diverse population of new workers into the mining sector;
- bring to light the wealth of job knowledge acquired by experienced workers to protect themselves against risks while still meeting production demands;
- identify the characteristics of the work context and of the way work is organized that contribute to the development of this knowledge;
- develop possible solutions with community resources involved in the project.

Starting in the design phase of the project, mechanisms were put in place to facilitate the transfer of results and the appropriation of research knowledge by the workplaces involved. Having been asked to sit on a follow-up committee, several partners will be informed of the results and thus able to pass them on to companies in their sector.

REALITY-BASED PROJECTS

The IRSST forms follow-up committees to ensure that the aims of research projects correspond to the realities and needs of the field. Made up of employer and trade union representatives, preventionists, professionals and potential intermediaries, these committees provide researchers with their expertise to help them define, develop, and carry out their studies and then transfer and apply their results in the field. By consulting the committee members and giving them the opportunity to influence how the scientific activity is carried out, the Institute increases the likelihood that the research results will be properly adapted to the workplaces concerned and appropriated by the parties involved.

In 2010, **99** follow-up committees were active. Their members represented **185** organizations from different communities.



BREAKDOWN OF MEMBERS OF THE FOLLOW-UP COMMITTEES

- 10% Universities/scientific research organizations
- 9% OHS professionals
- 8% Employer associations
- 12% Trade unions
- 3% Community associations/groups
- 22% Private companies
- 31% Public agencies
- 4% Professional orders and associations
- 1% Other

KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION

For knowledge to have impact, it must be translatable into concrete, useful applications. One way of facilitating knowledge translation and promoting the appropriation of research results is to process and simplify scientific content to make it more readily accessible. To this end, every year the IRSST publishes guides, technical fact sheets, and pamphlets, organizes conferences, and brings satellite Web sites on line to equip preventionists and influence prevention practices in workplaces. In 2010, the most popular materials included the following:

---SAFEGUARDING OF HYDRAULIC POWER PRESS BRAKES---

Designed to inform companies of the means available for safeguarding hydraulic power press brakes, this guide emphasizes the two most recent solutions: the safety light curtain and the laser beam device. It is aimed at all those who are involved in decision making and concerned about safeguarding these types of brakes, such as engineers, company owners, and CSST inspectors.



---BERYLLIUM – CLEAN-UP GUIDE---

This guide is intended to help those responsible for clean-up activities in establishments containing beryllium to develop a housekeeping or decontamination protocol in order to obtain acceptable levels of this metal. It is also a reference tool for companies specialized in the housekeeping or decontamination of workplaces.



---HAND-HELD PNEUMATIC TOOLS---

IRSST researchers measured the noise and vibration levels of five categories of tools used in automobile repair shops: grinders, sanders, ratchets, impact tools and air hammers. This fact sheet identifies the noise and vibration exposure levels that must not be exceeded for various periods of time. It also includes recommendations for working safely with these tools and references containing further information.



---PROTECTIVE GLOVES SELECTION GUIDE---

Presented in the form of a Web site, this guide provides the necessary information to help individuals identify the types of protective gloves best adapted to their needs. It includes an interactive selection tool that allows users to look for specific glove models or to conduct criteria-based information searches, particularly criteria such as glove resistance to mechanical stressors, food handling compliance requirements and cost.



KNOWLEDGE THAT CARRIES INFLUENCE

The House of Commons Standing Committee on Health in Ottawa invited the IRSST to testify at a session on the potential risks and advantages of nanotechnologies. The author of numerous publications on the subject, including the *Best Practices Guide to Synthetic Nanoparticle Risk Management*, **Claude Ostiguy**, who is also the director of our Research and Expertise Support Department, set the tone for the committee's work as the first guest expert to take the floor.

Mr. Ostiguy expressed the IRSST's viewpoint to the parliamentarians and guests present, recommending that a "precautionary approach" be taken: "The IRSST considers that all organizations handling nanoparticles must promote the introduction of strict prevention procedures, which remain the only way to prevent the risk of contracting occupational diseases." He argued in favour of the development and implementation of prevention programs.

Mr. Ostiguy's presentation to the committee members included **four** recommendations:

- Promote and support the responsible and safe development of nanotechnologies in Canada by adopting a preventive approach in order to minimize occupational exposure to nanoparticles;
- Facilitate the funding of certain infrastructures that are normally ineligible, so that researchers, mainly in the university community, can work both to change laboratory ventilation systems, including exhaust hoods, and to implement effective prevention approaches;
- Require adequate labelling of all products or mixtures of products containing nanoparticles, such that, at the very least, the composition, percentage content and size of the particles are specified. The same procedure should be followed regarding the information provided in Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) for products. This is essential to making companies aware that they are handling nanoparticles, if such is the case;
- Promote the production and distribution of good practices guides to support researchers and companies. To this end, the IRSST has already developed several documents in both Canada's official languages, and the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) is currently drafting a standard (in the form of a technical guide) that is also designed to support management of the specific risks associated with nanoparticles in the workplace.

The invitation received from the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health constituted a formal recognition of the IRSST's leadership in the field of nanotechnology-related risk management. It provided an exceptional opportunity to influence Canadian policy, since the primary aim of the meeting was to collect information for the purpose of preparing the legislative orientations regarding nanotechnologies to be adopted in Canada.

LABORATORY SERVICES AND EXPERTISE

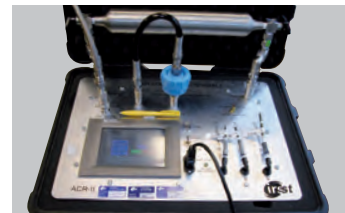
In addition to responding every year to tens of thousands of requests for environmental, toxicological, and microbiological analyses, the IRSST's laboratories contribute to the advancement of knowledge in the area of industrial hygiene. Their influence is felt not only through the analytical support and expertise they offer, but also through their invention of analytical methods and tools that enable hygienists and others to do their jobs more efficiently.

---A MORE COMPACT AND ACCURATE APPARATUS---

After conclusive trials in the field, a new portable, self-contained apparatus for sampling and testing compressed breathing air was added to the bank of equipment that the IRSST offers to its clients.

Developed by Innovation Maritime with the collaboration of the IRSST's laboratories, this compact, modern, high-performance apparatus has built-in air sampling and testing capacities. Users no longer have to utilize several instruments or to repeatedly adjust settings. In addition to reducing inspection time, the system increases the precision of the measurements and accuracy of the results. This in turn makes prompt intervention possible, unlike in the past, where samples first had to be sent to the laboratory for analysis.

Compressed breathing air is used chiefly in factories, mines, paint shops, and underwater work sites. Firefighters, police officers, and healthcare workers use it on a regular basis in the course of their work.



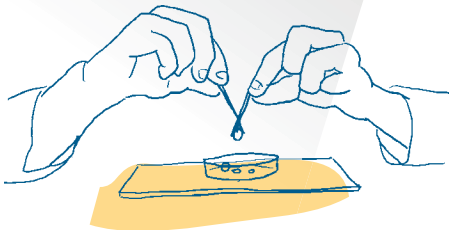
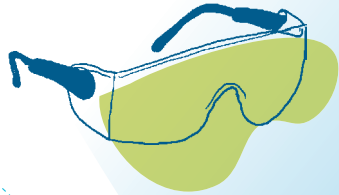
---NEW METHODS---

The IRSST's laboratories improved their service offer by introducing new analytical methods, specifically:

- the multi-solvent GC-MS quantification method;
- the multi-metal ICP-MS quantification method.

These two new techniques allow faster processing of samples and have exceptional sensitivity to a number of substances and elements.

Moreover, after years of work, the laboratory personnel's participation in the TC146/SC2/WG4 working group of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) on organic vapour sampling and testing methods bore fruit. Developed by the IRSST in the 1990s, the method of quantifying air-borne isocyanates using a double-filter sampling apparatus and high-performance liquid chromatography was selected by the ISO for inclusion in its standards catalogue, which is recognized the world over.



---WHMIS---

The IRSST's laboratories endorsed a collaboration agreement with the National WHMIS Office in Ottawa, for the purpose of developing a sampling and testing program for monitoring compliance with and enforcing WHMIS requirements under the *Hazardous Products Act* (HPA) and the *Controlled Products Regulations* (CPR).

This program requires the development and field testing of a standard operating procedure and the introduction of an inter-laboratory test program. The agreement, which also entails the development of methods for silica, isocyanate, and organic solvent analysis, ensures the IRSST's Canada-wide leadership in the field of industrial hygiene.

---MICROBIOLOGY LABORATORY---

Beginning in 1986 when questions were first raised about air quality in office buildings, the IRSST started taking an interest in microbiology. Since that time, its microbiology laboratories have witnessed steady growth in the number of tests they are asked to perform, leading to the need to expand and modernize their facilities. This redevelopment of their premises included the addition of a dark room for epifluorescence microscopy, with a specific section reserved for the preparation of culture media.

A second laboratory dedicated to DNA and endotoxin handling, which requires a controlled laboratory environment, was added to the renovated Class II laboratory. To avoid the risk of accidents and contamination, the three rooms that now make up the Institute's microbiology laboratories are equipped with automatic doors, and can only be accessed via a negative-pressure controlled-access air lock (anteroom).

---LIMS---

Vital to the smooth operations of the Laboratory Services and Expertise department, the project to replace the laboratory test management system took a crucial step forward in 2010, when the Board of Directors authorized the IRSST to purchase, adapt and implement a new tool. A call for tenders process followed, and one of the bidders was selected to carry out this project, which ranks among the top priorities for strategic IP planning.

Commonly known as the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS), this database facilitates the management of the tens of thousands of calibration and testing requests handled by the IRSST annually. The system compiles all the test results and generates reports that are then sent to clients. The purchase of this system enables the Institute's laboratories to meet the requirements of certification agencies. The LIMS is expected to become operational in 2012.

DISSEMINATING KNOWLEDGE



Scientific events, lectures, scholarly journals, social networks, the Internet, online newsletters, viral marketing (electronic form of word-of-mouth), and videos are some of the many techniques used by the IRSST to ensure knowledge dissemination.

---SPECIAL ISSUE ON VIBRATIONS---

Organized by the IRSST and Concordia University in 2009, the 4th International Conference on Whole Body Vibration Injuries was still a topic of conversation in 2010. Japan's National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (JNIOSH) devoted a special issue of its scientific journal *Industrial Health* to the conference.

The researchers invited to this conference, which was held for the first time in North America, were encouraged to submit articles based on the content of presentations made before a peer review committee. Of these, the publishers of the special issue selected **20**, which provided a good state-of-the-art review of knowledge on themes such as epidemiology and the impacts of vibrations, biodynamics, modelling, assessment of exposure, and seats. **Three** of the articles published were written by IRSST scientists.

This special issue of *Industrial Health* provided an outstanding conclusion to this event, which was a success both scientifically and as a showcase for the IRSST's expertise.

---OPEN ACCESS---

Open access to scientific literature means providing universal, free, and fast access to the knowledge published in scholarly journals. Subscribing to a movement that now spans all the continents, the IRSST institutionalized this practice by adopting an open access policy.

Given that open access fosters wider dissemination of the results of OHS research in the research community and the working community alike, the Institute thus asks its scientists and encourages the beneficiaries of its grant and scholarship programs to ensure that the articles emerging from endeavours that it funds be made freely available no later than one year after their publication in a scholarly journal. As soon as a scientific article becomes openly accessible, the IRSST archives the manuscript on its Web site.

COLLABORATOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION

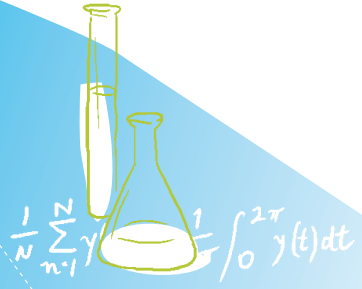
The International Labour Organization (ILO) welcomed the IRSST into its network of CIS Centres as a Collaborating Centre for Canada. The International Occupational Safety and Health Information Centre (CIS) of the ILO collects all relevant information published worldwide on occupational health and safety. The IRSST thus multiplied its capacity for disseminating the scientific knowledge it produces at least tenfold by making it more widely accessible to anyone wishing to support preventive actions with evidence.

In a letter confirming this affiliation, the ILO stated that "the IRSST's presence and influence have been recognized worldwide for 30 years in the preventionist community." By joining the ranks of the CIS Centres, the Institute is contributing to the development of a global network of institutions dedicated to the collection and dissemination of information in the occupational health and safety field.

BROAD SCOPE AND INFLUENCE

In 2010, the publications most frequently downloaded from www.irsst.qc.ca were the following:

- Document d'information pour la sélection des gants de protection contre les risques mécaniques, **Patricia Dolez** (École de technologie supérieure) et al. (in French only)
- Engineered Nanoparticles – Current Knowledge about OHS Risks and Prevention Measures – Second Edition, **Claude Ostiguy** (IRSST) et al.
- Facteurs prévisionnels du développement de l'état de stress post-traumatique à la suite d'un événement traumatique chez les policiers – Volet rétrospectif, **André Marchand** (Université du Québec à Montréal) et al. (in French only)
- Beryllium – Clean-Up Guide – Workplace Housekeeping and Decontamination, **Stéphanie Viau** (consultant) et al.
- Prévention de la violence entre membres d'une même organisation de travail – Évaluation d'une intervention participative, **Julie Dussault** (Centre de santé et de services sociaux Québec-Sud) et al. (in French only)
- Dépistage précoce de l'incapacité chronique liée aux lombalgies – Élaboration et validation d'un questionnaire, **Manon Truchon** (Institut de réadaptation en déficience physique du Québec) et al. (in French only)
- La prise en compte des situations de travail dans les projets de conception – La pratique des concepteurs et des opérations impliqués dans un projet conjoint entre un donneur d'ouvrage et une firme de génie-conseil, **Fernande Lamonde** (Université Laval) et al. (in French only)
- Verifying the Content of Lockout Programs, **Damien Burlet-Vienney** (IRSST) et al.
- Les risques de troubles musculo-squelettiques aux membres supérieurs dans le secteur des services à l'automobile – Étude exploratoire, **Denis Marchand** (Université du Québec à Montréal) et al. (in French only)
- Gestion des changements technologiques et organisationnels et représentations sociales – Impact sur la SST, **Camille Legendre** (Université de Montréal) (in French only)



AN INFLUENTIAL VOICE ON THE WEB

As a cornerstone of the Institute's marketing strategy, the IRSST's main Web site underwent a makeover. Its graphics features were enhanced and a viewer application was added to the home page to make it easier to find the latest research reports. These improvements paved the way for a major overhaul of the site. A business plan was adopted in this regard. It identified and planned the work needed to design and launch a third-generation Web site by the end of 2011.

The plan was implemented during the year, and a new Web Content Management (WCM) system was chosen, customized, and implemented. It has improved the editing environment and streamlined access management. Work was also done to enhance page referencing and measurement of the Web site's performance.

Efforts were made to diversify the content available, in addition to modernizing the look of the Web site. Focusing on multimedia, the IRSST now offers its clientele the opportunity to view videos, presentations, and lectures that feature content of interest to the research community and the working world.

The IRSST's Web sites and blogs welcome more than **one million** visitors a year.



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

The IRSST adopted a sustainable development action plan of its own accord. This commitment reflects its determination to incorporate sustainable development principles, which fit in perfectly with its mission, into its spheres of activity. The Institute therefore plans to do its part, mainly through research, to eliminate at source, or reduce, dangers to the health and safety of Québec workers and to rehabilitate workers who have sustained employment injuries or contracted occupational diseases.

Built around three of the strategic directions defined in the Québec government's sustainable development strategy, the IRSST's plan is designed to:

- inform, raise awareness, and innovate;
- reduce and manage risks in order to improve health, safety and the environment;
- produce and consume responsibly.

To show the importance it places on sustainable development, the Institute's next annual activity report will assess its attainment of the objectives set in this action plan.

THE INFLUENTIAL VOICE OF OUR HUMAN RESOURCES

The IRSST would not be what it is today without its employees. Its staff of **148** includes **118** researchers, professionals, and technicians working in various disciplines. In 2010, the IRSST hired **15** new employees, including **six** to permanent positions.

During the year, the IRSST hosted **36** trainees, students, and collaborators. The latter included guest professor **Ludovic Tuduri**, who specializes in analytical chemistry and is linked to the Protective Equipment research field; a professor on sabbatical, **Denis Gagnon**, who specializes in musculoskeletal modelling and is linked to the Musculoskeletal Disorders field; and four doctoral students.

The IRSST relies on an external network of nearly **200** researchers in addition to its own resources to carry out its research program.

---PLANNING THE SUCCESSION---

Well aware that the present paves the way to the future, the IRSST stepped up its efforts to encourage the next generation to opt for a career in occupational health and safety research.

The Institute therefore revamped its Graduate Studies Scholarship and Postdoctoral Fellowship Program to increase the appeal of this option. It upped the amounts offered and created a guest postdoctoral fellowship aimed at applicants who have completed their doctorate outside Québec.

Overall, the improvements made to the program were designed to:

- encourage the hosting of young researchers from outside Québec and motivate young Québec researchers to seek broader training elsewhere;
- increase the numbers of new researchers whose projects correspond to the Institute's research fields or programs under development;
- encourage future researchers to acquire knowledge translation skills;
- promote the retention of postdoctoral fellows in the field of OHS research.

By way of encouraging the upcoming generation of scientists, the IRSST awarded **36** scholarships to students chosen from among the **72** applicants in its 2010–2011 scholarship competition. These included **nine** new scholarships and **27** scholarship renewals, for a total investment of **\$409,500**.

More specific needs required other types of initiatives. To meet the demands for machine safety research, the IRSST selected two promising employees and encouraged them to continue their studies toward a Master's degree and eventually a doctorate. It also retained the services of a professor from the École Polytechnique de Montréal in the capacity of research director to supervise and support these employees. In addition, one component of the machine safety

CIHR

Supported financially by the IRSST, the Strategic Training Program of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) helps improve skills in the area of rehabilitation and return to work. Thanks to this program, IRSST researcher **Iuliana Nastasia** obtained another doctorate in work disability prevention from the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences at the Université de Sherbrooke.

cooperation agreement signed with the INRS-France provided for the exchange and hosting of trainees, another strategy that is designed to spark the new generation's interest in conducting research in a sector where resources are few and far between.

And, in preparation for the inevitable retirements and accompanying loss of expertise, the Institute allowed two of its young chemists to top up their knowledge in industrial hygiene by preparing them to obtain CIH certification from the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA).

---ROLLOUT OF SIGPI---

After more than a year's work, the IRSST now has a modern, flexible, modular database that ensures the efficient management of its research projects. The Système d'information et de gestion des projets de l'IRSST (SIGPI) was rolled out gradually before being extended to staff members, who now use it in carrying out their functions. No fewer than **80** people were trained on the system.



SIGPI replaced the older operational database, which was no longer adequate for the Institute's business processes and no longer reflected the new institutional structure. While the first version contained information only about activity year 2010, the data entered (sometimes manually) to date now allow us to go back to 2006.

The nerve centre of the entire organization, SIGPI is vital both to ensuring financial and administrative follow-up of research grants paid to external researchers and to tracking internal projects. Among other things, it allows the extraction of reliable management indicators, supports the development of the annual research plan, and feeds the IRSST's Web site with a wide range of data.

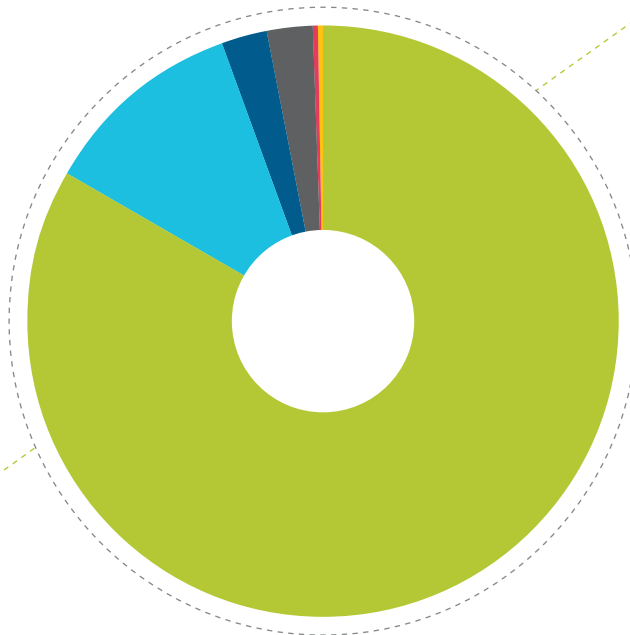
---OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY---

In 2010, the Occupational Health and Safety Committee held **seven** meetings aimed at integrating exemplary safety practices into the Institute's daily activities. The result was that **34** persons received training on the WHMIS, while **12** others received training on the transportation of hazardous materials.

During the course of the year, **12** new reports were entered in the accident, incident, and first-aid register. One accident was the subject of an investigation.

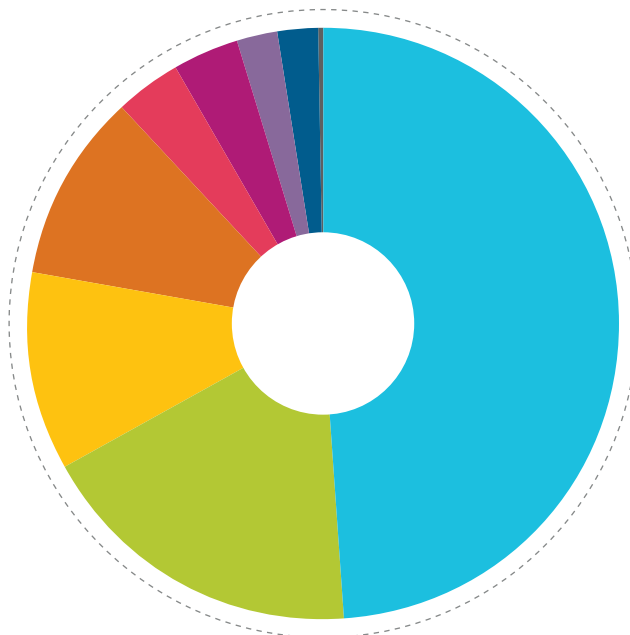
Once again, the IRSST's total employment injury tally earned it a lower CSST assessment rate than that of other enterprises classified in the same activity sector.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



REVENUES \$22,724,616

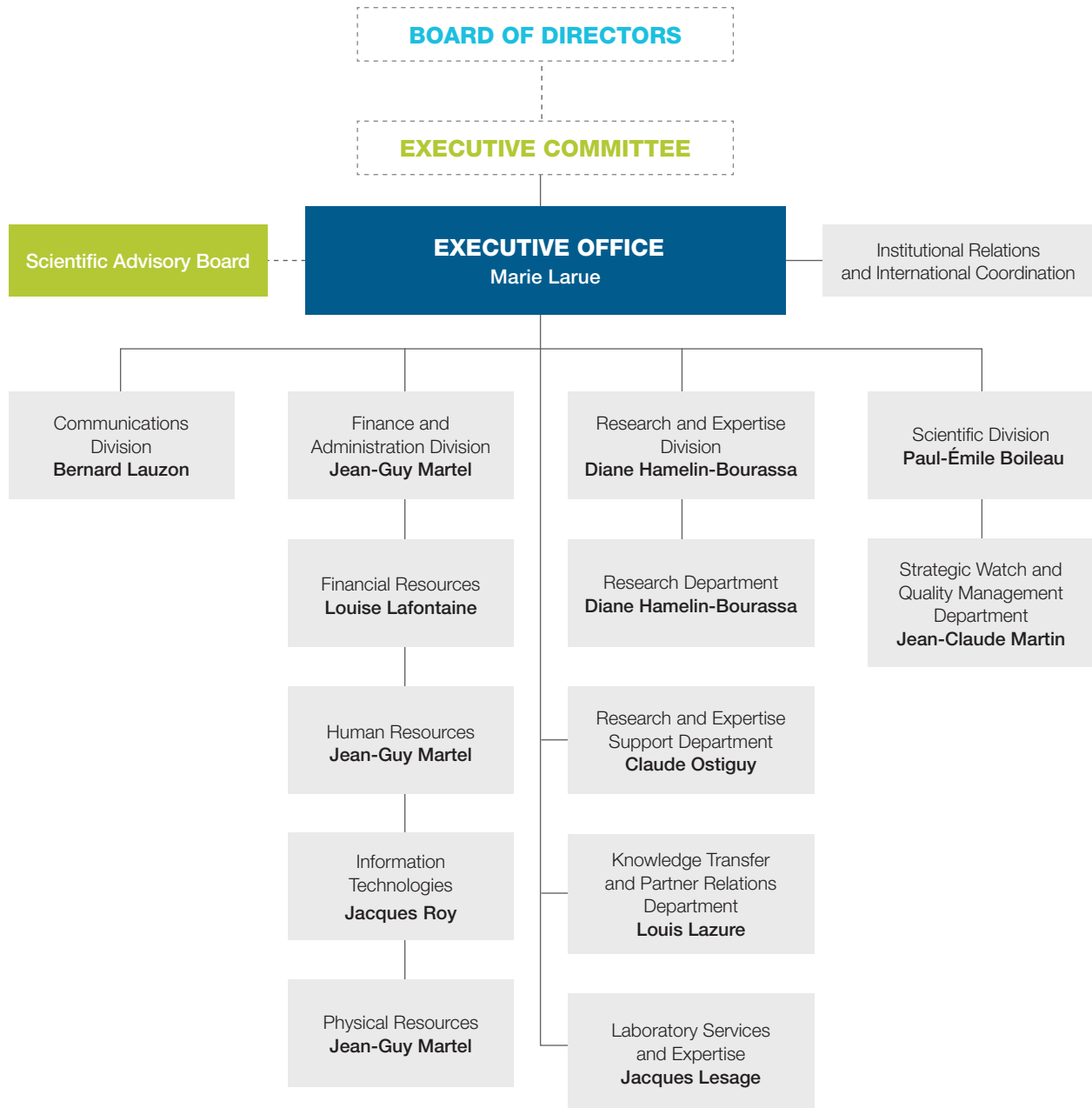
- 83.5% ■ CSST
- 11.2% ■ Laboratory services
- 2.4% ■ Special projects
- 2.5% ■ External contracts
- 0.2% ■ Beryllium project
- 0.2% ■ Other



EXPENDITURES \$22,841,621

- 49.1% ■ Internal research
- 17.9% ■ External research
- 11.0% ■ Laboratory services
- 10.2% ■ Finance and administration
- 3.7% ■ Communications
- 3.5% ■ Management
- 2.3% ■ External contracts
- 2.1% ■ Special projects
- 0.2% ■ Beryllium project

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



COMMITTEES

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2010

On behalf of the IRSST and its personnel, the president and CEO welcomes the new members of the board and committees and offers her sincerest thanks to outgoing members for jobs well done.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors determines the Institute's orientation, development framework, and financing. It is composed of the chair, seven representatives of employer associations, and seven worker representatives.

In 2010, the members of the IRSST's Board of Directors met eight times, while those of the Executive Committee* held eight sessions.

CHAIR

Luc Meunier*

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Andrée Bouchard
Claude Faucher
Lucie Levasseur
Yves Ouellet
Daniel Roy
Roger Valois

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Yves-Thomas Dorval*
France Dupéré
Martine Hébert
Patricia Jean
Carmel Laflamme
Simon Prévost

OBSERVER

Suzanne Thérien

IRSST REPRESENTATIVE

Marie Larue

DEPARTURES Richard Goyette, Bernard Brassard, Dominique Malo.

APPOINTMENTS Lucie Levasseur, Yves Ouellet, Simon Prévost, Martine Hébert, Patricia Jean, Carmel Laflamme.

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

The Scientific Advisory Board serves the president and CEO in a consulting capacity. Regarding research, it is asked to judge the relevance, priority, and scientific merit of internal and external research projects and programs. It comprises the Institute's president and CEO, six members of the scientific and technical communities, four worker representatives, and four employer representatives.

In 2010, the members met **eight** times.

CHAIR

Marie Larue

WORKER REPRESENTATIVES

Micheline Boucher
Jean Dussault
Daniel Flynn
Denis Mailloux

EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVES

Richard Lapointe
Roger M. Laporte
Chantale Lavoie
Alain Neveu

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Christine Colin
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Céline Saint-Pierre
Pierre Galarneau
Yves Rousseau
André Van Neste

OBSERVER Guylaine Rioux

DEPARTURES Pascale Gauthier, Jean-Marc Brodeur.

APPOINTMENTS Chantale Lavoie, Céline Saint-Pierre.

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JANUARY

Some 20 individuals gathered at the IRSST to form an interest group on respiratory protection, with the threefold mandate of identifying research needs in this area within the health sector, proposing guidelines to address the needs voiced, and prioritizing these needs.

The Institute welcomed **1 Philippe Charpentier**, head of the Sûreté des systèmes automatisés laboratory at France's INRS. Over a ten-day period, scientists from the two research centres looked into the possibilities of more joint projects on machine safety.

FEBRUARY

The IRSST's president and CEO met with the director general of the INRS, **2 Stéphane Pimbert**, to finalize the details of a collaboration agreement in the area of machine safety and promote the development of research projects, mainly concerning lockout.



MARCH

Interested in the Québec occupational health and safety system, a North African delegation under the auspices of the International Labour Organization visited the IRSST to gather ideas that will fuel a process of reflection and benchmarking with regard to modernizing the OHS systems in Algeria, Tunisia, and Morocco.

The researcher in charge of the Noise and Vibration field, **3 Franck Sgard**, became an associate editor of the scholarly journal *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*.

The article entitled “The effect of workload on biological monitoring of occupational exposure to toluene and n-hexane: contribution of physiologically based toxicokinetic modeling,” published in the *Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene*, was named Article of the Year by the Society of Toxicology. Written by **Irène Sari-Minodier** (Aix-Marseille Université), **4 Ginette Truchon** (IRSST), **Ginette Charest-Tardif** (Université de Montréal), **Annie Bérubé** (Université de Montréal) and **Robert Tardif** (Université de Montréal), this article was the result of a research project funded by the IRSST and France’s Agence nationale de sécurité sanitaire de l’environnement (AFSSET).



APRIL

The IRSST asserted its presence by hosting information stands that featured the results of its research work at both the Salon de la réadaptation in Montreal and the Forum santé et sécurité du travail in Québec City.

MAY

Concerned by the wave of suicides that has occurred in workplaces in France, a delegation from the Commission des affaires sociales of France's National Assembly visited the IRSST to discuss the psychosocial risks associated with work and how to prevent them. The Institute was his first stop on a tour of Québec partners working in the field of occupational health and safety.

The leader of the IRSST's Rehabilitation research field, **5 Bertrand Arsenault**, was given the honorary title of professor emeritus of the School of Rehabilitation in the Université de Montréal's Faculty of Medicine.

The Rehabilitation research team organized a symposium on the theme *Building a return-to-work research network in Canada* at the Canadian Association for Research on Work and Health (CARWH) Conference, held in Toronto.

The IRSST took part in the annual meeting of the Sheffield Group, which brought together the heads of the world's leading OHS research centres in Warsaw, Poland. Montréal will be hosting the 2012 meeting.



JUNE

For the second year in a row, IRSST president and CEO **6 Marie Larue** participated in the International Economic Forum of the Americas, which took place in Montreal. She appeared as a guest speaker at a round table on the theme *Integration and Corporate Social Responsibility*.

JULY

The IRSST welcomed the director general of the Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (FIOH), **7 Harri Vainio**, to discuss best practices, know-how, and issues faced in OHS research.

AUGUST

According to BioMedLib, the article *Exposure to aerosolized bacteria and fungi among collectors of commercial, mixed residential, recyclable and compostable waste* topped the list of the most cited articles in its field. It was published in 2006 in the journal *Science of the Total Environment*, and was authored by **Jacques Lavoie** (IRSST), **Christopher Dunkerley** (McGill University), **Tom Kozatsky** (Montréal Public Health Program), and **André Dufresne** (McGill University).



SEPTEMBER

The IRSST announced the composition of the external evaluation committee that will assess the performance and relevance of the activities carried out by the Institute from 2006 to 2010. Chaired by **Gilles Dussault**, head of the Health Systems Unit of the Institute of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine at the Universidade Nova de Lisboa in Portugal, the committee members are **Paul Demers**, director of Ontario's Occupational Cancer Research Centre (OCRC), **Michel Dumoulin**, vice-president, Scientific Affairs and Partnerships, at the Fonds québécois de recherche sur la nature et les technologies (FQRNT), **Jacques Frémont**, a full professor in the Faculty of Law at the Université de Montréal, and **Harri Vainio**, director general of the Finnish Institute of Occupational Health.

One of the IRSST's laboratory technicians, **Suzanne Paradis**, won the Méritas award for her role as a mentor in the Environment, Pure and Applied Sciences category. For the past eight years, she has been a mentor for the the Student Business Career Exploration Program of MR3 Montréal Relève.

OCTOBER

The Ne³LS research network investigating the ethical, environmental, economic, legal, and social aspects of nanotechnology development launched a first call for proposals that will be funded by numerous partners. As one of these partners, the IRSST will be able to support projects that have an OHS component.

The Chemical Substances and Biological Agents research field team organized a scientific event on strategies for evaluating worker exposure to chemical substances. The American Board of Industrial Hygienists (ABIH) recognized it as a training course due to its high scientific calibre.

NOVEMBER

A researcher at the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Rehabilitation and Social Integration (CIRRIIS), [9 Manon Truchon](#), was awarded the IRSST Prize for the best scientific article published in the last five years in the field of occupational health and safety, which comes with \$10,000. Published in the journal *Pain* in 2008, the article chosen was entitled “Low-back-pain related disability: An integration of psychological risk factors into the stress process model.” The other authors were **Denis Côté** (CIRRIIS), **Lise Fillion** (Université Laval), **Bertrand Arsenault** (IRSST), and **Clermont Dionne** (Université Laval).

A review of IRSST research on manual load handling was presented at the *Manutention: La charge, on la partage* (load handling: a shared task) colloquium in Saint-Hyacinthe, which was fully booked well in advance. It drew more than **150** people from different workplaces.

The IRSST awarded its Prix Innovation SST to a Québec-based biotechnology company, **Medicago**, at the 2010 gala of the Association de la recherche industrielle du Québec (ADRIQ). It was presented by the IRSST’s CEO, Marie Larue, to [10 Louis-Philippe Vézina](#), Chief Scientific Officer at Medicago. Given this year for the first time, the award pays official tribute to a company or organization that innovates in the area of occupational injury and disease prevention. Medicago developed an innovative process that differs from traditional methods in that it does not require the use of live viruses in vaccine production.



DECEMBER

ASTM International adopted a new standard (ASTM F 2878-10) on glove resistance to hypodermic needle puncture. This standard was based on work done by the IRSST, a pioneer in this field. The leader of the Protective Equipment research field, researcher **[Jaime Lara](#)**, along with his collaborators at the IRSST and Montréal's École de technologie supérieure (ÉTS), carried out several projects on glove resistance to perforation, a topic of concern mainly for workers who face the risk of punctures by contaminated needles in their jobs.

