



The 2012 winner of the Society for Leukocyte Biology G. Jeanette Thorbecke award is Dr. Laura M. Sly. Dr. Sly is an Assistant Professor and Principal Investigator in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Gastroenterology, at the Child & Family Research Institute, BC Children's Hospital, and the University of British Columbia. The focus of her research program is to study the role of macrophages in the gastrointestinal tract in homeostasis, the healthy intestine, and during inflammation. She has begun to unravel key cell signaling pathways that change macrophage function and contribute to inflammation in people with inflammatory bowel disease, like Crohn's Disease and ulcerative colitis.