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**THE DIRECTOR OF THE MONTREAL HEART INSTITUTE'S RESEARCH CENTRE  
ELECTED TO THE CANADIAN ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCES**

**Montreal, October 1, 2007** – The Montreal Heart Institute (MHI) is proud to announce that Dr. Jean-Claude Tardif was recently elected a member of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS). Dr. Tardif is a cardiologist and the director of the MHI Research Centre. He is also a professor of medicine at Université de Montréal, and he holds the Pfizer and Canadian Institutes of Health Research chair in Atherosclerosis. He is one of the youngest members ever to be elected to the Academy.

An internationally renowned expert in cardiovascular health, Dr. Tardif directs an MHI research team composed of some 40 people working in the area of atherosclerosis, a disease that contributes to more fatalities on a worldwide scale than any other. He has authored or collaborated on over 400 articles and abstracts published in scientific journals, among them the New England Journal of Medicine, the Journal of the American Medical Association, Circulation, and the Journal of American College of Cardiology. He is also a sought-after conference speaker in Canada as well as abroad. His current work involves atherosclerosis prevention and regression as well as cardiovascular imaging.

Election to the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences is among the highest distinctions that can be bestowed on a researcher or scientist in Canada. Elected members are recognized for their exemplary contributions, the quality of their discoveries, their innovation and their role as leaders in the health care field. The mission of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences is to allow the Canadian population to benefit from the expertise of its members on important health issues. The Academy's 200 members come from all corners of the country and are elected by their peers following an annual process of nomination and evaluation.

Founded in 1954, the Montreal Heart Institute constantly aims for the highest standards of excellence in the cardiovascular field through its leadership in prevention, ultra-specialized care, training of professionals, clinical and fundamental research, and assessment of new technologies. It is affiliated with the Université de Montréal and its clinical outcomes are among the best in the world. To learn more about the Institute, please visit our website at [www.icm-mhi.org](http://www.icm-mhi.org).

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