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BY ANGELICA PASS

It certainly sounds novel: could a smelling test, easy enough to administer to young children, help diagnose Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)?

That possibility is taking shape, thanks to work done by UVic neuroscience PhD student Christine Fontaine.


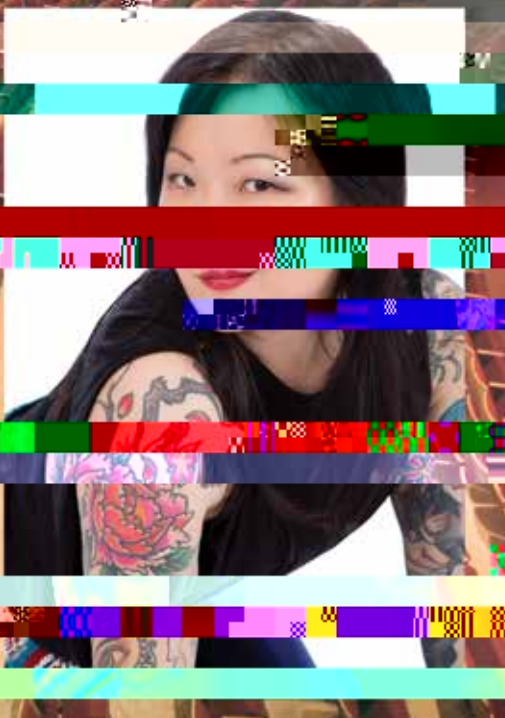
Her research is so promising that Fontaine was selected as the university's 2014 Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship recipient—a scholarship created to attract and retain world-class doctoral students, which awards \$50,000 annually for up to three years.

“It feels amazing and surreal. I wasn't expecting it at all,” says Fontaine, who notes that the scholarship also reflects the quality of research happening in the Neuroscience Program. “It's a young program and there


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