

# Quantum physicist, social psychologist among this year's Killam Prize winners

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The Canada Council for the Arts calls it this country's Nobel Prize. And today, the Killam Prize recognized five more of Canada's finest academics for their devoted work to scientific and scholastic research over their lifetime, from an oft-quoted social psychologist to a humanitarian doctor.

Winners of the \$100,000 prize, rewarded for research in health sciences, engineering, humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences, were announced Wednesday. The prize is one of the country's most distinguished, its limited number reserving it only for the best minds in Canada.

Past winners say the prestige of the award speaks for itself. "It's not simply an academic prize. It recognizes work of a broad perspective, and people who've done that on multiple occasions," said Dr. Philippe Gros, who won in 2009 for his work in identifying a gene that causes a common birth defect.

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