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Biography

Dr. Jodi Edwards is the Director of the Brain and Heart Nexus Research Program and Co-Director of the Population Outcomes Research Unit at the University of Ottawa Heart Institute, is Adjunct Scientist at ICES and Assistant Professor in the School of Epidemiology and Public Health at the University of Ottawa. Dr. Edwards is a cardiovascular epidemiologist, whose research program involves risk assessment and predictive modeling for the heart-brain interface, with a specific focus on the identification of novel cardiac markers of stroke and dementia risk.

Dr. Edwards completed her doctoral training at the University of British Columbia in 2014, where she was awarded the CIHR Institute of Neurosciences and Mental Health Brain Star Award for her doctoral work. She went on to complete a Post-Doctoral Fellowship with Dr. Sandra Black at Sunnybrook Research Institute in Toronto, prior to joining the University of Ottawa Heart Institute in December 2017.

Dr. Edwards has published extensively in leading clinical journals including the Journal of the American Heart Association, Stroke, Neurology, and Alzheimer's and Dementia and her work has received national media attention. She is an active member of the Expert Advisory Group for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada and the Canadian Women's Heart Health Alliance.