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Olivier Bernard (B.Pharm, M.Sc, FOPQ) has been a pharmacist since 2004 and a Fellow of the Ordre des pharmaciens du Québec since 2022. He holds a master's degree in pharmacogenetics research (2006). Since 2012, he has focused on science communication for the general public and healthcare professionals, as the author and illustrator of the website *Le Pharmachien* and the books of the same name. He received the Innovation Award from the Ordre des pharmaciens du Québec (2015) and the Marc Lebel Award from Université Laval's Faculty of Pharmacy (2022) for his work in science communication. In 2019, he received the international John Maddox Prize in London for standing up for science in the face of adversity, in recognition of his work on the issue of injectable vitamin C in Quebec. Since 2016, he has written and hosted the television documentary series *Les Aventures du Pharmachien* on ICI Explora. Since 2020, he has produced the podcast *Dérives* on Radio-Canada OHdio. Its first season, entitled *Le rituel de sudation*, won a Gold Medal at the 2021 New York Festivals Radio Awards.

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Award & Distinctions

2026	Co-recipient of the 2025 Michener Award with Radio-Canada.
2022	Les Aventures du Pharmachien – Winner, Best Digital Component for a Documentary Program or Series, Gémeaux Awards.
2021	Dérives: Le rituel de sudation – Gold medal in the Narrative/Documentary Podcast category at the New York Festivals NYF Radio Awards.
2021	Gémeaux Award nomination for Les Aventures du Pharmachien, Best Digital Component for a Documentary Program or Series.
2020	Gémeaux Award nomination for Les Aventures du Pharmachien, Best Writing.
2019	Three Gémeaux Award nominations for Les Aventures du Pharmachien, including Best Science Program or Series.
2018	Prix Coup de Coeur - the Association pour la santé publique du Québec.
2014	Prix Sceptique (Sceptiques du Québec) for promoting critical thinking in science.

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