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2017-2018 Annual Research Competition

Funding Decisions - OPERATING GRANTS

The MS Society of Canada is pleased to announce the funding decisions for the research Operating Grants submitted to the 2017-2018 Annual Research Competition.

14 Operating Grants have been awarded as follows (listed alphabetically):

Principal Investigator	Institution	Project Title	Approved Budget	Years Funded
Dr. Nathalie Arbour	Centre de Recherche du CHUM	Impact of IL-27 on MS pathobiology	\$383 138.25	3 years
Dr. Marcia Finlayson	Queen's University	A multi-site randomized controlled trial of MS INFoRM: An interactive fatigue management resource for persons with MS	\$268 789.83	3 years
Dr. Marc Horwitz	University of British Columbia	Elucidating the mechanistic role of latent EBV infection in the etiology of MS	\$354 048.00	3 years
Dr. Soheila Karimi	University of Manitoba	Role and therapeutic potential of Neuregulin-1 as a modulator of neuroinflammation and remyelination in multiple sclerosis	\$358 321.00	3 years
Dr. Timothy Kennedy	Montreal Neurological Institute, McGill University	Identifying New Molecular Mechanisms that Promote Myelin Maintenance and Remyelination	\$360 300.00	3 years
Dr. Bradley Kerr	University of Alberta	Examining sex differences in neuropathic pain behaviours in the EAE model	\$343 494.00	3 years
Dr. Shannon Kolind	University of British Columbia	Establishing an imaging biomarker for disease progression in Multiple Sclerosis	\$292 500.00	3 years
Dr. Rashmi Kothary	Ottawa Hospital Research Institute	MicroRNA-145 is a key regulator of oligodendrocyte maturation and CNS myelination	\$301 920.00	3 years
Dr. Shalina Ousman	University of Calgary	Elucidating the role and regulation of astrocytes in multiple sclerosis.	\$314 776.62	3 years
Dr. Manu Rangachari	Université Laval	Investigating a novel inhibitory signaling mechanism that represses T cell-driven CNS autoimmunity.	\$299 259.00	3 years

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Dr. George Robertson	Dalhousie University	Gait parameters as predictors of functional recovery in a mouse model of MS	\$300 185.00	3 years
Dr. Dalia Rotstein	University of Toronto	Immigration and the risk of multiple sclerosis	\$156 040.00	2 years
Dr. Alain Simard	Université de Moncton	Characterizing the anti-inflammatory and disease-modifying potential of novel $\alpha 7$ nicotinic acetylcholine receptor silent agonists	\$355 821.00	3 years
Dr. Alan Wilman	University of Alberta	MRI of Deep Grey Matter in Multiple Sclerosis	\$280 500.00	3 years