2014 Parkinson Research Consortium Fellowship Awardees

Crabtree Family Fellowship ($30,000)
Awarded to: Chadwick Boulay (post-doctoral fellow)
Title: Operant conditioning of neuronal activity in the basal ganglia to improve motor deficits in Parkinson’s disease
Mentor: Dr. Adam Sachs

UCB Fellowship ($30,000)
Awarded to: Jungwoo Yang (post-doctoral fellow)
Title: DJ-1 regulates apoptosis induced by cellular stresses through modulating ATF4 expression and activity
Mentor: Dr. David Park

Toth Family Fellowship ($15,000)
Awarded to: Christopher Rudyk (graduate student)
Title: Assessing autophagy and the inflammatory response in paraquat exposed LRRK2 KO and G2019S mutant mice
Mentor: Dr. Shawn Hayley

Audrey Grant Parkinson’s Research Fellowship ($15,000)
Awarded to: Megan Fitzpatrick (graduate student)
Title: Analysis of the Novel Preclinical "SYnerGY” Model of Parkinsons Disease
Mentors: Dr. Michael Schlossmacher and Dr. Diane Lagace

Shelby Hayter Fellowship ($15,000 for 2 years)
Awarded to: Nour Yahfoufi (graduate student)
Title: α-Syn may have an antimicrobial activity in the absence of adaptive immune system in the brain of the vertebrates
Mentor: Dr. Michael Schlossmacher

Larry Haffner Fellowship ($15,000 for 2 years)
Awarded to: Maneka Chitiprolu (graduate student)
Title: Parkinson’s-linked proteins target novel substrates for autophagic degradation to regulate cell survival
Mentor: Dr. Derrick Gibbings

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