Parkinson Research Consortium
2018 Fellowship Awardees

**Crabtree Family Fellowships ($15,000/each)**
*Awarded to: Richard Harris* (post-doctoral fellow)
**Title:** Targeting Mitochondrial Dysfunction to Rescue Neural Stem Cell Depletion in Parkinson’s Disease
**Mentor:** Dr. Ruth Slack

*Awarded to: Maria Bilen* (graduate student)
**Title:** Reverting Mitochondrial Dysfunction in an Attempt to Rescue Neural Stem Cells Depletion and Promote Neurogenesis in Parkinson’s disease
**Mentor:** Dr. Ruth Slack

**Toth Family Fellowship ($15,000)**
*Awarded to: Michael Min Wah Leung* (graduate student)
**Title:** Neurophysiological Correlates of Countermanding Saccade Deficits in Parkinson’s Disease
**Mentor:** Dr. Adam Sachs

**Audrey Grant Parkinson’s Research Fellowship ($15,000)**
*Awarded to: Olanta Negeri* (graduate student)
**Title:** Investigating The Role of the RNA-Binding Protein Hur in an Inflammation Model of Parkinson’s Disease
**Mentor:** Dr. Derrick Gibbings

**Bonnie & Don Poole Parkinson’s Research Fellowship ($15,000)**
*Awarded to: Haley Geertsma* (graduate student)
**Title:** Characterization of a Novel Model of Parkinson’s Disease: the Alpha-synuclein-NLS Mouse
**Mentor:** Dr. Maxime Rousseaux

**2-year Fellowships (year 1 of 2)**
**Shelby Hayter Fellowship ($15,000 for 2 years)**
*Awarded to: Christopher Rousso* (graduate student)
**Title:** Bridging the Gap Between Parkinson’s Disease and the Immune System: Characterizing the Role of Alpha-synuclein in Innate Defenses
**Mentor:** Dr. Michael Schlossmacher

**Larry Haffner Fellowship ($15,000 for 2 years)**
*Awarded to: Michaela Lunn* (graduate student)
**Title:** Elucidating the Role of LRRK2 kinase Activity in the Innate Immune System
**Mentors:** Drs. Shawn Haley and Michael Schlossmacher

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