

## 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

and

**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