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News about the study



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An important grant is awarded to the ABCs Laboratory A success in which you are the hero!

This summer, the ABCs laboratory, and specifically its « LION » study, received a significant vote of confidence by the medical research community in Canada. The laboratory's research program was awarded a CIHR 'Foundation' grant (see information box), which will fund our work for the next five years. This type of grant is awarded to researchers who are considered « leaders » in the field of health, to ensure long-term financial support for the conduct of their research.

We are proud of this mark of recognition and we wanted to share our pride with you. As the first parents to have participated in our studies about TBI in preschool children, your involvement in the LION study has been and will continue to be of great importance for the creation of new knowledge on traumatic brain injury and child development.



CIHR, or Canadian Institutes of Health Research, is a federal organization in charge of financing health research in Canada. CIHR aims to foster the creation of new scientific knowledge to improve the health of Canadians and the efficiency of the health care system.

Next steps for the LION study

The funded research program is entitled "Bridging the Gap in Paediatric Traumatic Brain Injury: Environmental, biological and clinical markers associated with early concussion and TBI". In the coming years, we will intensify our efforts to better understand TBI and concussion in children under 5 years old of age. To do so, we will expand the pool of children who participate in our studies by recruiting in many other Canadian hospitals. In the longer term, we will also develop psychological interventions that will promote the development of children who sustain TBI.

A new assessment visit with the LION cubs in 2017

And you, parents of our very first cubs, can still play a big role in pursuing these objectives. Indeed, we would like to continue studying the development of your children in the longer term. Being able to follow the development of the same children year after year is a great scientific asset.

We are counting on your generosity again for participation in future data collection for the LION study! Stay tuned, we will call you in 2017!

See you soon,

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