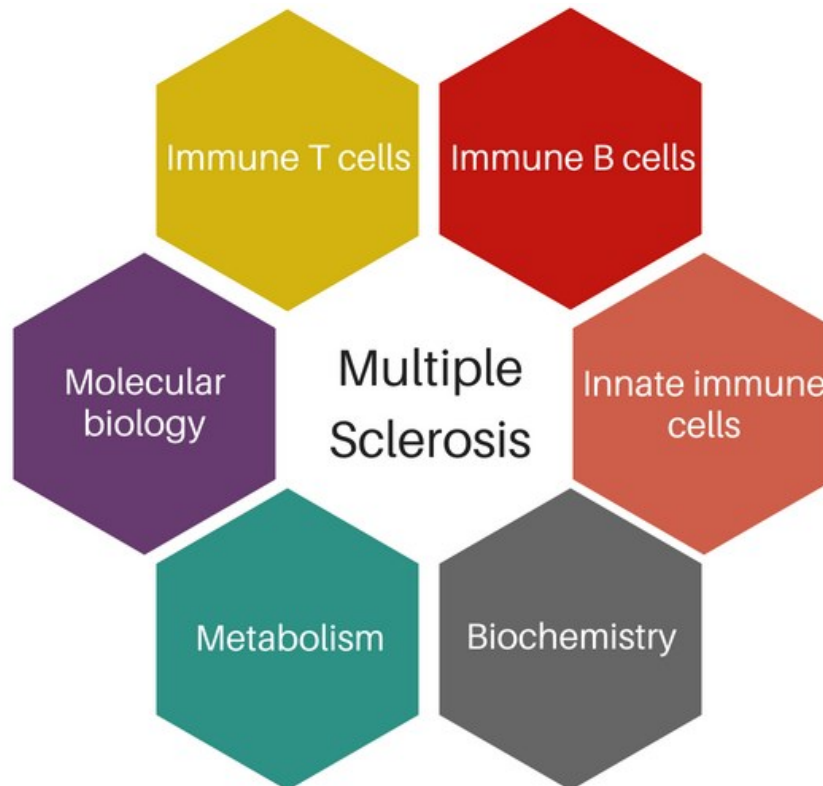


Frequently Asked Questions!

How many people have MS? According to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society of America, it is estimated that there are 2.3 million people with MS worldwide. MS is usually diagnosed in people between the ages of 20 and 50 years old. It is more common in women than men.

Are there different types of MS? There are at least 4 types of MS: About 85% of diagnosed people have what is called Relapsing Remitting MS (RRMS). In RRMS the symptoms do not worsen during remission. However, RRMS can lead to Secondary Progressive MS (SPMS), which gradually progresses with or without relapses and remissions. About 15% of people diagnosed with MS have yet another type, named Primary Progressive MS (PPMS). In PPMS the disease worsens over time. There can be plateaus but there are no relapses. The progressive relapsing MS (PRMS) is also a type that is progressive from the beginning. In PRMS there are clear relapses, but without full recovery in between.

Why can scientists at SDBRI help? At SDBRI's Multiple Sclerosis Medical Research Center, immunologists who understand how the body's immune system functions work with molecular biology experts who understand how molecules inside immune cells are regulated and biochemists who provide critical insight into changes that take place in the structure and function of immune cells. Our scientists collaborate in teams using a think-tank approach on joint projects to address recurrence, muscle weakness, fatigue, and neurological disorders in people with MS. The goal is to reduce the effects of MS, and improve patients' quality of life by designing new treatments and cures for the devastating consequences of MS.



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