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Headlines from the MSKTC

Connecting consumers to research-based information in
Spinal Cord Injury, Traumatic Brain Injury, and Burn Injury

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The MSKTC provides:

Consumer Information that offers guidance on treatment, social issues, and daily living after SCI, TBI, and burn injuries.

Systematic Reviews that compile, evaluate, and summarize published research evidence related to a specific medical or health topic.

Databases of research articles posted by the SCI, TBI, and Burn Model Systems.

Upcoming Conferences:

September 2-5, 2018
[ASCIP Educational Conference and Expo](#)

September 12-15, 2018
[Phoenix World Burn Congress](#)

September 30-October 3, 2018
[ACRM Annual Conference](#)

Model Systems Researchers Selected as Fellow of American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine (ACRM)

A group of Model Systems researchers have been selected as [Fellows of American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine \(ACRM\)](#). The Fellow of ACRM designation recognizes active members with an outstanding record of professional service to the organization who have also made contributions of national significance to the field of medical rehabilitation. Award presentations will be made during the Henry B. Betts Award Dinner and Gala at the 95th ACRM Annual Conference in October in Dallas, TX. Learn more [here](#).

Spinal Cord Injury (SCI)

SCI Model System Researchers to Present at the Academy of Spinal Cord Injury Professionals (ASCIP) Conference and Expo

Allen Heinemann, Ph.D., ABPP (RP), FACRM and David Chen, M.D., will join colleagues at Facing Disability to present "Voices of Experience SCI Video Series Features Real-Life Stories" at the Academy of Spinal Cord Injury Professionals (ASCIP) meeting in New Orleans, LA. This session will include a video screening and panel discussion on the early days after a spinal cord injury. It will be held Tuesday, September 4 at 3:45 pm in Studio 7-8. Click [here](#) to access the ASCIP schedule.

SCI Model System Researcher Presents at Joint Statistical Meetings

Jessica Ketchum, Ph.D., of the [Rocky Mountain Regional Spinal Injury System \(RMRIS\) \(Craig Hospital\)](#), presented "Representativeness of the Spinal Cord Injury Model Systems National Database" at the 2018 Joint Statistical Meetings held July 28-August 2 in Vancouver, BC. Click [here](#) to learn more.

SCI Model System Co-Hosts One-Day Conference

The [University of Pittsburgh Model Center on Spinal Cord Injury](#) is co-hosting the conference "Current Concepts in Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation," which will take place on September 15. The conference will address treatments and strategies employed for SCI care at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Rehabilitation Institute. For more information, please email [Rachel Hibbs](#). To register, visit the [UPMC Continuing Education website](#).

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)

TBI Model System Researcher Wins William Fields Caveness Award

Angelle Sander, Ph.D., director of [TIRR Memorial Hermann's Brain Injury Research Center](#), is the recipient of this year's Brain Injury Association of America's (BIAA) 2018 William Fields Caveness Award. This award recognizes an individual who has made a significant contribution to improving the lives of individuals with brain injury. Learn more [here](#).

TBI Model System Researcher Receives Award from American Psychological Association

Kimberley Monden, Ph.D., co-project director of the [Rocky Mountain Regional Brain Injury System \(RMRBIS\)](#) and principal investigator at Craig Hospital, was awarded the American

Psychological Association Division 22, Rehabilitation Psychology, 2018 Rosenthal Early Career Research Award. This award honors a rehabilitation psychologist who has displayed excellence as a psychologist in service. This annual award is given to persons who have made a significant contribution to rehabilitation psychology research within 10 years of being awarded their doctorate.

TBI Model System Researchers Collaborate on Recently Published Articles

Researchers from the [Rocky Mountain Regional Brain Injury System \(RMRBIS\)](#) co-authored three articles. Two of these articles were written on behalf of the Traumatic Brain Injury Model System National Data and Statistical Center and colleagues in the TBI Model System program. The first article, "Physical, Cognitive, and Psychosocial Characteristics Associated with Mortality in Chronic TBI Survivors: A National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research Traumatic Brain Injury Model Systems Study," was published in *The Journal of Head Trauma Rehabilitation*. "Obesity and Overweight Problems Among Individuals 1 to 25 Years Following Acute Rehabilitation for Traumatic Brain Injury: A NIDILRR Traumatic Brain Injury Model Systems Study" was published in *The Journal of Head Trauma Rehabilitation*. The third article was completed in collaboration with other researchers in the TBI Model System program, and the VA TBI Model System program. "Social Competence Treatment after Traumatic Brain Injury: A Multicenter, Randomized, Controlled Trial of Interactive Group Treatment versus Non-Interactive Treatment" was published in *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*. Access the abstracts and authors for each of these publications by clicking [here](#).

TBI Model System Researchers Publish in *Journal of Neurotrauma*

TBI Model System researchers—Flora Hammond, M.D.; Mark Sherer, Ph.D., ABPP, FACRM; James F. Malec, Ph.D., ABPP-Cn, Rp; Ross Zafonte, D.O.; Surreya S. Dikmen, Ph.D.; Jennifer Bogner, Ph.D.; Kathleen R. Bell, M.D.; Jason Barber, MS; Nancy Temkin, Ph.D.—have published the article, "Amantadine Did Not Positively Impact Cognition in Chronic Traumatic Brain Injury: A Multi-site, Randomized, Controlled Trail," in *Journal of Neurotrauma*. Click [here](#) to view the article online.

TBI Model System Researchers Publish in *Brain Injury*

Tessa Hart, Ph.D.; Simon Driver, Ph.D.; Monique Pappadis, Ph.D.; Kristen Dams-O'Connor, Ph.D.; Claire Bocage, B.A.; Emma Hinkens, B.A.; Marie N. Dahdah, Ph.D.; and Xinsheng "Cindy" Cai, Ph.D. have published the article, "Traumatic brain injury education for adult patients and families: a scoping review," in *Brain Injury*. View the abstract [here](#).

MSKTC Presents at the American Psychological Association (APA) Convention

MSKTC researchers presented at the 126th American Psychological Association (APA) convention. Xinsheng "Cindy" Cai, Ph.D. presented "Using Knowledge Translation to Increase the Benefits of Health Research" and Ali A. Weinstein, Ph.D. presented "Knowledge Translation from the Stakeholder Perspective: Accessibility and Applicability." The convention was held August 9-12 in San Francisco, CA. Learn more [here](#).

Burn Injury (BURN)

Burn Model System Center Researchers Publish Article in *Journal of Burn Care & Research*

Researchers from the [Boston-Harvard Burn Injury Model System](#) recently published the manuscript, "Social Interactions and Social Activities after Burn Injury: A Life Impact Burn Recovery Evaluation (LIBRE) Study" in *Journal of Burn Care & Research*. This article outlines findings from a field test of more than 600 burn survivors that were administered the LIBRE Profile. The study examines scores from the social activities and social interactions scales to determine predictors of these key components of social recovery following burn injury. View the article [here](#).

MSKTC Recruiting for Information Study in Burn

The MSKTC is conducting a study involving interviews with individuals with a burn injury, along with their caregivers and nurses. Interviews will help the MSKTC understand participants' health information needs and research study engagement. Click [here](#) for more information about the study and eligibility criteria.

Resource Highlight: "Healthy Eating After Burn Injury—For Adults"

Do you know someone who sustained a burn injury? Refer them to our "Healthy Eating After Burn Injury" factsheet. It offers important details about nutrition during and after hospitalization. This resource is also designed to support family members and friends of burn survivors. Access the factsheet [here](#).

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