

Université de Montréal to get \$32 million for research projects

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Thirty-two teams at the forefront of scientific research are to benefit from the investment, announced Monday at the university.

Federal Health Minister Ginette Petitpas Taylor unveiled the new funding as part of a pan-Canadian injection of \$378 million from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) in more than 400 research projects across Canada.

The minister made the announcement after a tour of the high-tech cancer research laboratory run by Dr. Marc Therrien, the lead investigator of the Institute for Research in Immunology and Cancer, created in 2003 to shed light on the biological mechanisms behind an umbrella of diseases considered the leading cause of death in Canada.

Therrien got a \$3.2-million grant over seven years to study the RAS pathway, a signalling mechanism that is common to nearly 50 per cent of all cancers. His goal is to find targets for new cancer drugs.

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