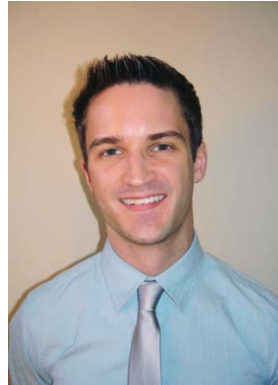


Congratulations to the 2017 CDI Fellows Research Support Awardees



2017 Awardees pictured above from left to right: Drs. Janice Bitong and Theodore Scott Nowicki

Grant Period: 07/01/2017 – 06/30/2018

CDI Grant Number: CDI-FRS-07012017

Janice Bitong, M.D., Gastroenterology

"The gut microbiome, its metabolites, and their role in chronic intestinal pseudo-obstruction"

\$15,000

Theodore Scott Nowicki, M.D., Ph.D., Hematology/Oncology

"Molecular determinants of cellular immunogenicity in synovial sarcoma"

\$12,500

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