

## International Support & Research Registry

The International Research Information Registry is a way for MSA community members to provide their contact information and other details, if they wish to be contacted about drug trials or research studies.

Defeat MSA/Vaincre AMS Canada and its partners continue to strongly advocate for more drug trials. This registry is hosted by our US partner but available to anyone diagnosed with MSA (or any related disease) globally. It is completely voluntary and strictly confidential.

[msacanada.ca/research-registry/](https://msacanada.ca/research-registry/)

This brochure is for promotional purposes only and should not be used for diagnosis or treatment. Anyone with questions about MSA should consult with their doctor or other health care professional for diagnosis or possible treatment information.

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CN Tower in Toronto turned purple in honour of MSA Awareness Month

**March is MSA Awareness Month  
February 28th is Rare Disease Day  
May is our Fundraiser Month  
October 3rd is World MSA Day**

# What is MSA?

Multiple System Atrophy (MSA) is a rare, rapidly progressing neurodegenerative disorder. MSA impairs the systems that regulate blood pressure, heart rate and the bladder – many of the basic bodily functions that people take for granted every day. People with MSA suffer from dangerously low blood pressure, speech and swallowing difficulties, sleep disturbances, breathing problems, rigidity and tremors. The life expectancy for those with MSA is typically 5 to 10 years. Patients with advanced MSA often become bed-bound, unable to speak and immobile. At present, there is no cure for MSA, no genetic tests to detect it, no therapy to slow it and very few treatments to manage its debilitating effects.

## Our Mission

Realizing that much of the current attention is focused on more widely known diseases, Multiple System Atrophy is overlooked. MSA patients are confronted with a dim prognosis and left with few options. **Defeat MSA/ Vaincre AMS Canada** aims to increase awareness, help alleviate suffering from MSA and advance research towards a cure.

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## Resources

Looking for a doctor,  
support group  
or treatment summary?

Thinking about setting up  
a named legacy fund  
or fundraiser?

Email us!  
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