Expanding The Borders Of Research Through Cross-Disorder Collaborations

While autism, epilepsy, or depression may at first seem worlds apart, there is benefit in studying these and other brain disorders together. Each condition has unique traits, but there is often overlap. Brain research is inherently complex – different disorders may share similar underlying causes and similar disorders may have very different underlying causes.

International Data Linkages For New Possibilities In Autism Research

OBI catalyzes the impact of brain research in Ontario by increasing collaboration among researchers, doctors, patients and their advocates, and industry partners. A key ingredient to collaboration is, of course, sharing. At OBI, a cornerstone of effective research collaboration involves sharing large quantities of data.
OBI’s Integrated Discovery Programs focused on cerebral palsy, depression, epilepsy, neurodegenerative disorders, and neurodevelopmental disorders now bring together over 200 core researchers and clinicians, 35 institutions, 40 companies, and 20 patient advocacy groups from across Ontario. Read about their latest news and progress.

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Helping Companies Get Over Their First Hurdles

Avertus is still a young company, but they have come a long way. Dr. Gonzalez started off his journey as an OBI intern with a PhD in neuroscience. He was working on his MBA when he met Dr. Peter Carlen, a researcher in the EpLink program, and Dr. Michael Berg, who had an idea to develop a system that could detect and stop seizures.

Learn more

Turning Knowledge Into Action

Knowledge is an important resource that can be used to affect behaviour and cause positive change. OBI’s Outreach initiatives focus on harnessing what we know to: tell stories, build community, connect evidence and care, and evaluate our work — all to make an impact on brain health in Ontario.

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AxON: Collaboration Defined

The Ontario Brain Institute has mapped the vast collaborations in its network.

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