

## Invitation to a Free Online Presentation for Individuals Affected with ARSACS, Their Caregivers and Professionals



« Research on Gene and Replacement Therapies to Treat ARSACS »

**Date:** November 5th, 2020 1:30pm – 2:30 pm

**Speaker:** Dr. Benoit Gentil

Dr. Gentil will use simple terms to present his research project. A question period will follow the presentation.



*ARSACS is caused by recessive mutations in the Sacsin gene and the lack of this giant protein is believed to be responsible of the disease. One strategy for the development of therapies for ARSACS is to complement the lack of saccin using gene therapies or replacement strategies. Gene therapy presents some key challenges due to the limits of the technology and the size of this giant gene to replace. An alternative solution is the production of peptides that could complement the saccin functions lost in patients using active peptides derived from Saccin.*

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