

We Are Praxis Spinal Cord Institute

Praxis exists to lead global collaboration in spinal cord injury (SCI) research, innovation and care. We use SCI knowledge translation to bridge health evidence with real-world delivery.

Headquartered in Vancouver, Canada, Praxis facilitates an international network of people with SCI and other world-class experts to work together to identify, prioritize and solve the most urgent challenges.

How We Work

Our vision is a world without paralysis after SCI. We take a collaborative and responsive approach to maximize our impact. This enables us to move the most promising ideas out of the laboratory, into a standard practice of care, into the marketplace and ultimately, into the hands of the people who need it most.

By working to address all of these areas simultaneously, and with national and international partners within the SCI community and beyond, we are uniquely positioned to make exceptional improvements in the health of people with SCI.

The word *praxis* means the practical application of a theory. This is exactly the type of work we do — ***moving knowledge into action.***

Our Funders

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Some ways an SCI can occur

- falls
- vehicle accidents
- tumours
- congenital diseases
- infections
- sports injuries



Social and economic costs

- 86,000 Canadians affected and millions more around the world
- \$2.7B a year for newly injured Canadians with traumatic SCI
- Frequent and potentially deadly secondary complications such as pneumonia, bladder infections and pressure injuries



Our global impact includes

- 20,000+ individuals with SCI engaged
- 120+ projects funded
- 240+ peer-reviewed publications supported
- 60+ health care sites around the world engaged
- 8,000 participants enrolled in the Rick Hansen SCI Registry