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Through groundbreaking research and international collaborations, Van Andel Institute is working to translate scientific discoveries into new therapies that impede Parkinson's progression and improve quality of life for the 7 million to 10 million people with the disease worldwide. The Institute's Parkinson's Disease Center is a key part of these efforts and facilitates collaborations between scientists for maximum impact.

- 1 EMPOWERING COLLABORATIVE, LEADING-EDGE RESEARCH:**
The Center provides scientists the support and infrastructure required to launch innovative projects to translate discoveries into clinical research or trials — key steps toward improved treatments.
- 2 PURSUING TREATMENTS THAT SLOW OR STOP PROGRESSION:**
Current Parkinson's therapies only treat symptoms rather than the root causes of the disease. VAI scientists investigate how Parkinson's develops and affects the body in search of new ways to slow or stop disease progression.
- 3 DEVELOPING BETTER DIAGNOSIS STRATEGIES:**
Scientists in the Center are searching for new ways to diagnose Parkinson's earlier and more definitively, which one day could allow doctors to start future therapies sooner and objectively monitor their effects.

**This life-changing work is not possible without your generous support.
Thank you — together, we can make a difference.**

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