

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge
What's Behind Multiple Sclerosis

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	WHEN IT COMES TO MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS, OR M-S, THERE ARE MANY THEORIES ABOUT WHAT CAUSES THE CONDITION.
Sean Pittock, M.D. Track 1 (12:04)	"UNFORTUNATELY, WE DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND THE UNDERLYING IDEOLOGY OF M-S. WE DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT THE DISEASE IS."
	DR. SEAN PITTOCK, A MAYO CLINIC NEUROLOGIST, SAYS WE DO KNOW THERE IS A GENETIC COMPONENT. IF YOU HAVE M-S, YOUR CHILDREN WILL HAVE AN INCREASED RISK. THERE ALSO

	<p>APPEARS TO BE AN ENVIRONMENTAL OR GEOGRAPHICAL COMPONENT. M-S IS MORE COMMON AT NORTHERN LATITUDES. SAY SOMEONE MOVES FROM A SOUTHERN LATITUDE TO SCANDINAVIA, CANADA OR THE NORTHERN UNITED STATES...</p>
<p>Dr. Pittock Track 1 (15:35)</p>	<p>"IF THEY GO THERE AT A YOUNG AGE, THEY WILL TAKE ON THE HIGHER RISK. BUT IF THEY GO AFTER PUBERTY, THEY MAINTAIN THE LOWER RISK."</p>
	<p>DR. PITTOCK SAYS UNRAVELLING THE MYSTERY BEHIND THAT ROOT CAUSE IS THE BIG STEP TO DEVELOPING NEW, AND HOPEFULLY, BETTER TREATMENTS.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN</p>

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