

## Steve Lukito – Awarded May 2017

### Statement of impact from MRC Flexible Supplement Fund award

Parts of this funding have been used in support of completing two papers which are presently going through internal review process with my supervisors and collaborators. The funding was also crucial in supporting me through a challenging peer-review process for an article I have submitted in the previous month. This article, titled “Specificity of executive function and theory of mind performance in relation to attention-deficit/hyperactivity symptoms in autism spectrum disorders”, is now published in the journal *Molecular Autism*.

Some of the funding was also used for registration to the FSL neuroimaging data analysis course and a travel to Canada where the course was held this year. I was however unable to attend the training due to delays in my visa, despite allowing a month for processing. Upon negotiation with the FSL course organizer, I was allowed to transfer my registration to a course in 2018. While the reservation for the accommodation was returned, the flight ticket was unfortunately non-refundable. Using the remaining fund from this award and my own personal fund, I organized a visit to the National Institute of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, District of Columbia, USA, to attend a free training on the neuroimaging software AFNI (Analysis of Functional Neuroimages) in October 2017. The software allows scripting thus more freedom in analysing imaging data. Attending the training allows me to develop my ability to program my own neuroimaging pipeline, which is a valuable skill to have for my current post-doctoral works in neuroimaging.