

TYPES OF MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Name	Characteristics
Relapsing-Remitting Multiple Sclerosis (RRMS)	Symptom flare-ups followed by recovery; stable between attacks
Secondary-Progressive Multiple Sclerosis (SPMS)	Second phase of RRMS; progressive worsening of symptoms with or without superimposed relapses; treatments may delay this phase
Primary-Progressive Multiple Sclerosis (PPMS)	Gradual but steady accumulation of neurological problems from onset
Benign	Few attacks and little or no disability after 20 years
Progressive-Relapsing Multiple Sclerosis (PRMS)	Progressive course from the onset, sometimes combined with occasional acute symptom flare-ups
Malignant or Fulminant Multiple Sclerosis	Rapidly progressive disease course