



Friedreich's
Ataxia
Research
Alliance

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Peter Cuocolo
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Dear Peter Cuocolo,

Thank you for supporting Friedreich's ataxia (FA) research through your donation of \$100.00 to the Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance (FARA) dated 9/17/2010. This generous contribution supports the development of promising treatment options for Friedreich's ataxia patients.

FA is a progressive, debilitating neuromuscular disease. FA affects coordination and balance and eventually leads to a life altering loss of mobility, speech dysfunction and hearing loss; challenging the ability of children and adults to live an active life. FA also presents serious risk of diabetes and life shortening cardiac disease. Although considered a rare disease, a significant number of children and adults suffer with FA. There is currently no treatment or cure for FA.

Through funding collaborative research, FARA's goal is to develop a cocktail treatment to first slow and stop the progression of Friedreich's ataxia as well as develop therapies aimed at overall disease reversal. Thus far in 2010, FARA has made grant commitments to fund nearly \$2 million in research including funding to help advance two of our lead compounds to clinical trials and funding for the Clinical Research Network in FA where FA patients participate in clinical research and receive the most up-to-date treatment and management recommendations.

Accepting grant proposals 24/7 throughout the year and responding to applications within 60 days of receipt, FARA operates with a sense of urgency that comes with trying to outpace the effects of a progressive neuro-muscular disease. While the development of treatments is a labor intensive and costly process, we pride ourselves on facilitating this critical work with timely strategic funding and collaboration. Your support empowers us to lead research progress proactively.

Please accept our deepest gratitude on behalf of the rest of the FARA community--patients, families and scientists. Thank you for being an active partner in our effort to treat and cure Friedreich's ataxia.

With gratitude,


Jennifer Farmer
Executive Director

Thank you Peter for all of your efforts both on your cousin's behalf and on behalf of FARA. We greatly appreciate your passionate outreach to your community to raise funds and awareness for FA. This area of the Carolinas was one we previously had little exposure in ~ thank you for changing that.



FARA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your donation.

From: "Felicia DeRosa" <felicia.derosa@curefa.org>
Subject: **Vida Follow-Up**
Date: October 28, 2010 12:08:02 PM EDT
To: <cmasterplanner@aol.com>

Hello Peter,

I just received a check from Vida on behalf of the charity night in September. They more than matched the proceeds of the event with a generous contribution to FARA. The event total was well over \$10,000 (including ticket entry fees and donations). Thank you for attending and drumming up support for the evening. You helped us make a really important connection in the Carolinas.

Gratefully,
Felicia

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