

## What is 'Fanconi Hope'?

Fanconi Hope is a national charitable trust set up by parents of Fanconi Anaemia (FA) affected children and clinicians with an interest in FA, to fund a UK FA national registry and to promote research that might benefit FA-affected children.



## What is Fanconi Anaemia?

FA is a rare genetic disorder that affects young children leading to bone marrow failure and bone marrow transplantation, with a very high risk of leukaemia and subsequent head & neck cancers.

Further information concerning FA can be found at [www.fanconihope.org](http://www.fanconihope.org)

## Who runs the charity?

The Trustees of the charity include parents of FA-affected children and NHS clinicians.

## Why is a UK National FA Registry important?

A national FA registry will ensure FA-affected children and their families are kept track of and provided with the best care. A registry will also enable such children/families to be invited to participate in research that will likely benefit all individuals in the UK, in particular in the treatment of cancers in general.

## Why should I be interested in Fanconi Anaemia?

Although FA only affects a small number of children/families in the UK, the genes concerned, i.e., the 'Fanconi pathway' are of great potential importance for all. The Fanconi pathway is an important mechanism for keeping our DNA healthy and preventing cancers. The Fanconi pathway is often responsible for a cancer's resistance to chemotherapy drugs.

Knowing how to manipulate the Fanconi pathway is likely to lead to better and more successful treatments for all cancers.

## How Can I Help?



We urgently need funds for the Charity in order to set up the UK National FA Registry and to promote research.

If you would like to help in our fund-raising efforts or make a donation, please contact:-

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