

What is Fanconi Anaemia?

Fanconi Anaemia (FA) is a rare genetic disorder affecting young children, causing bone marrow failure and consequent bone marrow transplantation, with a very high risk of leukaemia and subsequent head & neck cancers.

Who are we?

Fanconi Hope is a national charitable trust set up by parents of FA-affected children and clinicians with an interest in FA, to support affected families by providing information, signposting relevant services and promoting research that might benefit FA-affected individuals.

Our Patron

The Duchess of Devonshire



"In accepting the role of Patron of the Fanconi Hope Charitable Trust I believe that this small charity can have a big impact on many lives. I have been impressed with the passion and drive of the Trustees and I, too, share this passion. Of course it is not enough to simply believe we will make a difference, and the charity cannot change anything without receiving the full support of those impacted by Fanconi Anaemia. I would encourage all who want to change the lives of those affected by Fanconi Anaemia to unite together behind this charitable cause. There are so many stories about this terrible condition that one cannot help but be moved - often saddened, and it is incumbent on all of us to work together to give hope to those suffering because of Fanconi Anaemia."



The Duchess of Devonshire DL

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What do we do?

Operating in the UK and Ireland we have built up a network of clinicians and researchers to promote the best standards of care for those affected by Fanconi Anaemia.

We are building a support network so that families affected by this rare condition will feel less isolated and can find the help and information they need to deal with this devastating condition.

We are working with clinicians and researchers throughout the world to identify and fund relevant research.

Why should I be interested?

Although FA only affects a small number of people in the UK, the genes concerned, i.e. the 'Fanconi pathway', are of great potential importance for all, as they keep 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?

By donating directly or organising fundraising events you will be helping us to:

- Promote awareness and understanding of Fanconi Anaemia among affected families, the medical profession, and the general public
- Encourage and fund research that should directly benefit Fanconi Anaemia affected individuals and their families
- Encourage and fund research in the area of Fanconi Anaemia that might have benefit for the general public, e.g. in the treatment of cancers in general

Your help is needed and appreciated



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