
Penn State Hershey ALS Clinic and Research Center

A Collaboration Between Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and The ALS Association Greater Philadelphia Chapter

We strongly believe that research into the causes of ALS and other motor neuron disease will eventually be the key to more effective treatments and to a cure. We also believe that research can lead to a better understanding of factors contributing to quality of life of individuals with ALS and their families.

With funding from the Harriett H. and Paul G. Campbell Research Fund for ALS, the ALS Association Greater Philadelphia Chapter, and many other individuals and groups, research studies are being carried on at several levels:

1. Clinical trials of medications that show promise for treating ALS.
2. Research involving digital monitoring, telemedicine, brain-computer interfaces, and ultrasound.
3. Clinical research studies to improve care and support of patients and their caregivers.

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How can I participate in a research study?

Many research studies are underway. A complete description of our various research programs is available on our research website: <https://research.med.psu.edu/als/>

For further information, or to discuss which studies you may be eligible for, please contact our ALS Research Program Office at 717-531-8ALS (8257) or via email at nervemuscle@pennstatehealth.psu.edu

How can I support this research program?

Monetary donations of any size are greatly appreciated. These are tax-deductible, and directly support ongoing research or the development of new fields of investigation. Checks should be made payable to The Pennsylvania State University, and sent to the attention of Dr. Zachary Simmons, Department of Neurology EC037, 30 Hope Drive, Hershey, PA 17033. Individuals wishing to discuss their donations should contact Dr. Simmons directly at 717-531-1377.

Secure online donations may also be made directly via our website:
<https://research.med.psu.edu/als/>