

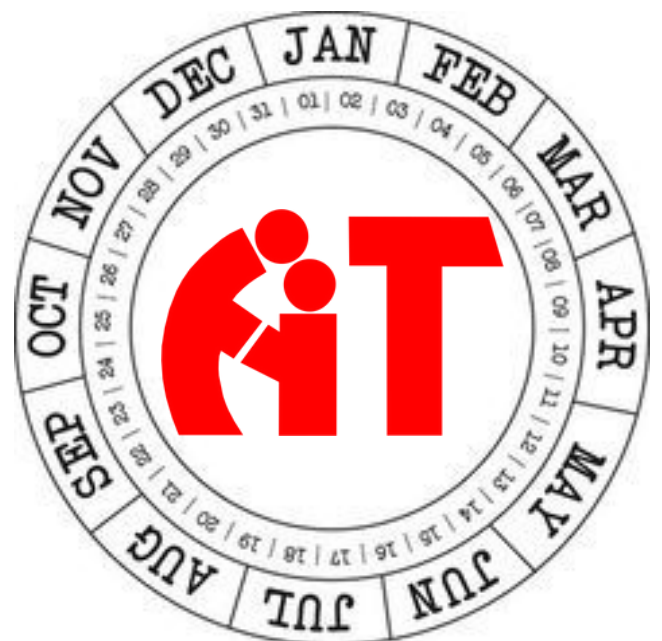
THE GIVING CIRCLE

A-T CHILDREN'S PROJECT



**OVER 100
GIVING CIRCLE
MEMBERS GIVE
HOPE TO ALL A-T
FAMILIES**

Your support funds research to help all A-T children and adults live the life they deserve!



Thank you!

Meet some of the families impacted by A-T

MEET THE OSLEGERS

Danielle, Todd, Sam (10) and Emily (7) live in Pittsburgh, PA. Both Sam and Emily have A-T.

Sam loves puzzles, board games and reading. His favorite food is meatloaf and he plays Miracle League baseball.

Emily enjoys drawing and coloring. Emily's favorite food is cheeseburgers and she loves watching Kids Baking Championship.

Sam and Emily are both kind-hearted and are always looking out for each other!

Sam and Emily have participated in clinical studies through the A-T Children's Project to help us find a cure for all children with A-T like them.

The Oslegers are just one of the many families fighting A-T. They inspire us and drive us to find a cure!



The Oslegers are also AMAZING fundraisers - they have hosted Rare Disease Day events, a golf tournament and even raffles!

MEET SAMI

Sami is 25 and was diagnosed with A-T when she was 3 years old. She lives in Fort Lauderdale, FL with her mom and loves to visit her sister Ali in New York.

“Some days A-T can be the worst. Other days A-T can be the best like letting me get my (service dog) Fanny. It’s all how you look at it” - Sami

Sami is a kind-hearted foodie that loves a good filet. She is known by family and friends for sending the best birthday and holiday text messages filled with many emojis.

Each week Sami pushes herself to walk on the treadmill at physical therapy. She has even started to do her own exercise on the stationary bike at home and has biked up to 5 miles!

Sami's perfect day would involve Hallmark movies, steak, Haagen Dazs chocolate ice cream and playing Wii sports with her family.

This A-T warrior is full of joy!





MEET ORNELLA

Ornella was diagnosed with A-T when she was just 18 months old. She's 6 now and lives with her mom, dad, and brother Julian in St. Louis, Missouri.

Ornella is a very creative little girl always talking about colors and stories. If you tell her a story, she'll interrupt with her own very important (and often helpful) plot points - particularly if the story is about a unicorn or something spooky.

Ornella is only aware of her A-T in the weekly infusions she gets. "I need the good soldiers to help me fight germs," she'll say. More and more she will express frustration with not being able to walk well or feeling unstable on her feet. Ornella is a true fighter and has endured several long hospital visits in her short life.

Through all of it, she remains a very courageous and strong girl. Witness her waking up in the morning belting out a Frozen 2 song at the top of her lungs, "INTO THE UNKNOWN!" What a way to start the day!

We all learn how to live our best lives thanks to Ornella - the little A-T warrior that could.

- Micah and Aicha Liesenfeld (Parents of Ornella)

Aicha fundraises for us through her Etsy shop, **Glow Naturele**. Check it out!

RESEARCH UPDATES

ASO Gene Therapy

April 2020

We are funding the first-ever clinical trial testing an approach called antisense oligonucleotide (ASO) gene therapy in a little girl with A-T at Boston Children's Hospital. She has continued to receive regular injections with no side effects. Researchers led by Dr. Timothy Yu have been keeping everything going for us, even in an environment where almost all other clinical trials are being halted.

A-T families and other rare disease groups all over the world are watching as we hopefully make history.

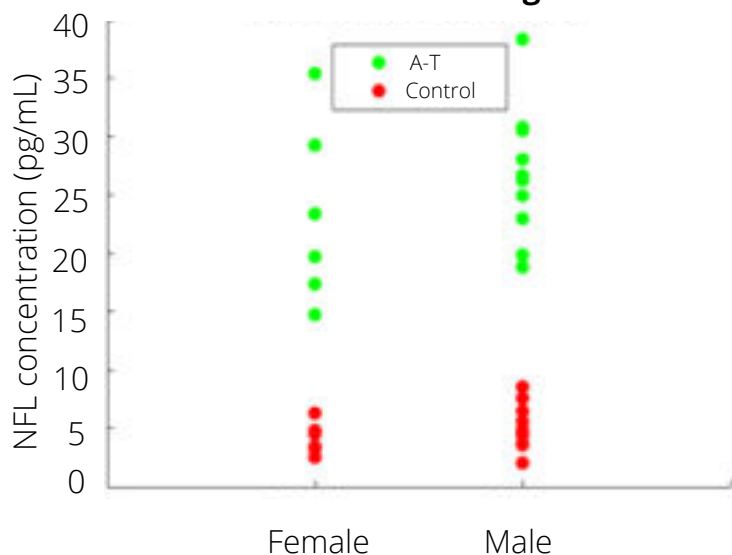
Potential Biomarker

June 2020

In addition to ASO gene therapy, we are also aggressively supporting research in completely different directions. Initial results from one clinical trial suggests the existence of a biomarker - a protein in the blood that is elevated in children with A-T compared to healthy kids. By measuring changes in the level of this protein, it might allow us to more quickly and easily tell if a potential therapy is working. We have not received the final results, but it could possibly be

... the biggest discovery made about A-T since the disease-causing gene was identified.

NFL vs Sex and Diagnosis



Thank you to everyone who made this research possible!



ANOOPUM GUPTA, MD, PHD; NEUROLOGIST AND ROBOTICS SCIENTIST

HOW DO PEOPLE WITH A-T MOVE?

Dr. Anoopum Gupta of Massachusetts General Hospital is running a clinical study researching the movement of children with A-T. In a new element of his study, A-T kids and siblings wear a watch-like sensor that measures their movement for a week.

To date, 40 kids with A-T and 35 of their siblings have participated. Researchers are now in the process of analyzing the data.

This research could be helpful not just for A-T, but for other movement disorders.

Thank you to everyone who participated and stay tuned for an update on his findings!

WANT TO GENERATE MORE HOPE?

Consider adding the A-TCP monthly giving signature to your personal email!

First, download the email signature from **atcp.org/joinme**. When it opens, right click to save the image.

Then, search in your email settings for signature options. Edit your signature content by inserting the image of our monthly donor signature.

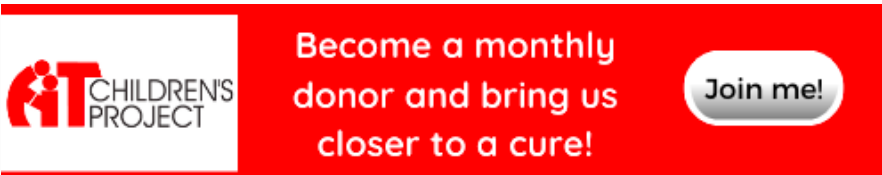
Be sure to use the hyperlink button to link the image to our monthly giving site - www.atcp.org/givingcircle.

Save your new email signature.

Check out this sample!



All the best,
Jane Hopegiver



THANK YOU!

From the Sass family -
Andy, Corie, Jacob and
Elliott



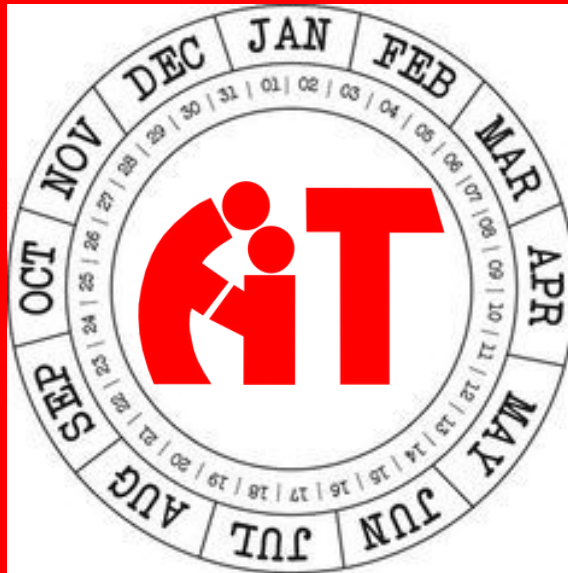
Dear A-T Children's Project supporter,

We wanted to write you a quick note to thank you for the donation you have made to A-T Children's Project. A-TCP holds a very special place in our hearts. We were connected with them in 2017 when our youngest son, Elliott, was diagnosed with A-T at the age of 2 years old. As parents of two small children, we were reeling with the news of his diagnosis that year. The A-TCP has helped us in SO many ways.

We'll never forget our first contacts with A-TCP; we quickly went from "lost and devastated" to "hopeful and at peace." Not only have Brad Margus (founder) and his team dedicated their lives to life-saving research (giving us hope), but they have connected us with other wonderful families who share stories of success and love (giving us peace). A rare, devastating disease is understood best by people who experience it themselves. The bond that we have with the A-T Children's Project, and the families we have met through them, has been a saving grace.

It is so important for us to be able to personally thank you for your donation. While you know that you have helped this wonderful organization, we also want you to know that your donation will have an impact on hundreds and thousands of families across the world, just like ours.

Much love and thanks,
Andy, Corie, Jacob and Elliott Sass



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