

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2020

FOR CHILDREN'S CANCER

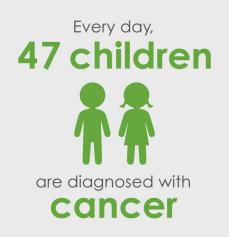


CureSearch is committed to stewarding every dollar raised toward the greatest impact on the children, adolescents, and young adults who are depending on us.

# CURESEARCH MISSION

Our mission is to end children's cancer by driving targeted and innovative research with measurable results in an accelerated time frame.

At CureSearch, we're uniquely positioned to drive critical stakeholders collaborations to accelerate the pace of pediatric drug development.

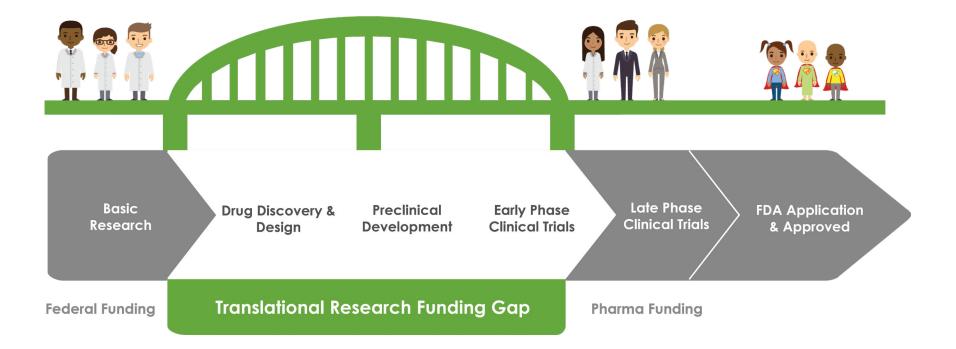


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## CURE**SEARCH** RESEARCH STATEGY

We're laser-focused on driving new treatments to patients in an accelerated time frame. We only fund projects with commercial potential, anticipated to reach patients in the clinic or marketplace within three to five years. Our translational, pre-clinical and clinical stage awards give preference to areas of high unmet need — the cancers with the lowest survival rates, fewest, or most damaging treatment options, and populations that are under-served, including adolescent and young adults.



## **CureSearch Research Programs Bridge the Translation Gap**

# CURESEARCH RESEARCH STATEGY UPDATES

Our research programs sparked international interest from academic institutions and biotech companies



In October of 2020, we invited researchers to apply for funding by submitting a Letter of Intent (LOI) for one of our research programs.



# CURESEARCH RESEARCH STATEGY UPDATES

## CATAPULT AWARD PROJECT UPDATES

Innovative DIPG treatment hits milestone paving the way for patient trials to begin:

## Crystal Mackall, MD

Stanford University

#### Project: Phase I CAR T-cell immunotherapy trial in DIPG

This \$1.2 million award, co-funded by the Parker Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy, will help determine whether CAR T-cell therapy is an option for patients with DIPG, a cancer with a dismal five-year survival rate of less than 1%.

- Dr. Mackall's team opened the trial for enrollment in the summer of 2020 and initiated treatment of patients with DIPG
- Dr. Mackall has successfully manufactured CAR T-cells for these patients, generating adequate cell doses that met all release criteria and can be used in patients



Dr. Mackall photo credit: Elena Zhukova — Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health

### High-grade glioma trial now enrolling patients at seven sites

### Ranjit Bindra, MD, PhD

Yale University

### Project: Exploiting mutant IDH1/2-induced DNA repair defects in pediatric glioma

Dr. Bindra is performing a clinical trial to see if the addition of a new drug to standard brain cancer therapy can reduce the amount of chemotherapy required for treatment.

• Dr. Bindra's clinical trial is now active at the University of California San Francisco, the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Washington University St. Louis, Johns Hopkins University, Oregon Health & Sciences University, St. Jude Children's Hospital and Yale University, and he anticipates up to three additional sites in the next six months

• Dr. Bindra has begun receiving patient specimens for analysis at Yale as part of a correlative (biomarker) study that will allow him to monitor their response to treatment more effectively



# CURESEARCH RESEARCH STATEGY RESULTS

## YOUNG INVESTIGATOR PROJECT UPDATES

Collaboration offers potential new treatment for high-risk B-cell ALL

## Loretta Li, MD

Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago/Northwestern

### Project: JAK2 inhibition and degradation in B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

The five-year survival rate for children with JAK2-dependent B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (B-ALL) can be as low as 35%. Dr. Li is developing a new family of JAK2 inhibitors that will likely prove more effective in treating this subtype, and the promise of these inhibitors has now been recognized by a start-up that has licensed the therapeutics developed in Dr. Li's lab. Building on strong early results, Dr. Li is now collaborating with a large pharma company to stop tumor growth using a JAK-2 halting therapy that has been successful in treating other cancers.



### First patients enrolled in promising pediatric glioma trial

## Avery Posey, PhD

University of Pennsylvania

### Project: Polysialic acid-specific CAR T-cells for the treatment of neuroblastoma

Nearly 700 patients are diagnosed with neuroblastoma each year in the U.S. and, while the current standard treatment has increased two-year event-free survival by 20%, dosing is limited by adverse side effects such as neuropathic pain. Dr. Posey's goal is to identify a more specific immunotherapy target that could result in better outcomes and fewer side-effects. The optimization and implementation of PolySia immunotherapy has great promise in this arena. To date, Dr. Posey's work has opened up the potential for CAR T-cell therapy in neuroblastoma, demonstrating initial success in cultured cells.



## DEVELOPING IPSPS AND PIPS IN AN EVOLVING REGULATORY LANDSCAPE

The CureSearch Pediatric Early Development Symposium (PEDS) was held virtually on October 1-2, 2020. This inaugural event convened representatives from all areas of pediatric oncology: pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, clinical research organizations, academic leaders, parents and patient advocates, venture capitalists, regulators, and like-minded partners. Attendees and speakers participated from across the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Italy, Germany, Switzerland and France.

The recurring themes through the Symposium were the urgent need for early and frequent collaboration, and expanded opportunity for CureSearch to drive this collaboration as a connector and resource for academic and industry leaders.

## **2020 PEDS ACTION PLAN**

Based on robust panel discussions and audience participation, CureSearch has identified three key opportunities below. Between October 2020 and October 2021, working collaboratively with global stakeholder and volunteer leaders, CureSearch will execute on these strategies:

Promote global collaboration across all roles in pediatric drug development Provide pediatric drug development resources to stakeholders Address areas of unmet need in clinical development for children with cancer

Read the full PEDS Impact Statement at curesearch.org/peds-impact-statement

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CureSearch offers Legacy Funds, a special way for families to honor their child's memory and continue the fight against pediatric cancer.

- o The Eloise Dodge Gould Legacy Fund
- o The Jacob Koenigs 'Jakefest' Memorial Fund
- The Amy Miller Fair Fund
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## CURESEARCH WALK TEAMS 2020



### TEAM NAME \$15,000 and above

Kiewit Omaha

### TEAM NAME \$10,000 - \$14,999

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### **CURESEARCH WALK EVENT**

2020 Omaha CureSearch Walk

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2020 Colorado CureSearch Walk 2020 Northern Virginia CureSearch Walk 2020 Omaha CureSearch Walk

\$22,485

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\$11,866 \$11,490 \$10,980

## CURESEARCH WALK TEAMS 2020

### \$2,500 - \$9,999 TEAM NAME

Anna's Army Chase 4 Gold Upright Mike Nolan's Crew Team Taylor Colton Strong Forever Team CureSearch TEAM JUDE Team Parexel Quinnstrong Team NCM Brooklyne's Beacons Kaitlyn's Krewe #doitforowen Peyton's Potion Primary Children's Hospital Cancer Fighters AnnaStrong Nolan Yost Hope for Sydney Team Rachel I Am Brave Haven's Highsteppers

## CURESEARCH WALK EVENTAMOUNT

AMOUNT

## CURESEARCH ULTIMATE HIKE SUMMIT CLUB 2020



Foothills



\$32,440

NAME
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CURESEARCH HIKE EVENT	AMOUNT
Foothills	\$5,001
Baxter Trails	\$5,104
Foothills	\$5,120
Baxter Trails	\$5,262
Foothills	\$5,285
Canaan Valley	\$5,550
Foothills	\$5,635
Superior Hiking Trail	\$6,602
Ozark Highlands	\$6,034
Ozark Highlands	\$6,105
Canaan Valley	\$6,225
Foothills	\$6,235
Superior Hiking Trail	\$6,478
Superior Hiking Trail	\$6,545
Canaan Valley	\$6,896
Ozark Highlands	\$7,500
Canaan Valley	\$7,514
Superior Hiking Trail	\$8,128
Ozark Highlands	\$8,743
Baxter Trails	\$10,130
Baxter Trails	\$12,225
Foothills	\$17,355

## TOP GOLD TEAMS 2020



Congratulations to the 2020 top Gold event teams that raised \$5,000 or more

#### **TEAM NAME**

CAPTAIN

#### **AMOUNT RAISED**

Team Lilly H Advantage Hair Salon - BBQ & Auction Christmas For A Cure Team Joseph

Natalee and Lilly Hercick	\$13,895
Joyce Reed	\$12,200
Lavish Leathers	\$2,320
Hannah Massey	\$1,900

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Our work would not be possible without the extraordinary support of the following partners, including their generous employees and customers.



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## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

December	31,	2020
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FY2020 Total Support & Revenue	\$4,956,970
Contributions	\$2,835,615
Institutional grants & gifts	\$162,195
Special Events	\$1,480,141
Investment Income	\$467,757

## **BALANCE SHEET**

ASSETS	2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$769,157
Contributions receivable, current portion	\$1,384,709
Investments, current portion	\$3,155,278
Prepaid expenses	\$83,995
Contributions receivable, long-term	\$333,333
Investments, long-term	\$1,500,000
Deposits	\$10,386
Accured interest	\$13,663
TOTAL ASSETS	\$7,250,521

# STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### December 31, 2020

FY2020 Total Expenses	\$4,205,103
Program Services	\$2,990,838
Fundraising	\$687,414
Management	\$526,851

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	2020
Accounts Payable	\$173,448
Deferred revenue	\$495,092
Non-current liabilities	\$277,800
Net Assets without donor restrictions	\$1,233,605
Net assets with donor restictions	\$5,070,576
TOTAL ASSETS AND NET LIABILITIES	\$7,250,521

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