

## Caring for Carcinoid Foundation

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### Research Update

The Caring for Carcinoid Foundation is excited to announce promising new results from clinical research that it funded. [Dr. Matthew Kulke](#), Co-Chairman of our [Board of Scientific Advisors](#), published his results in the January 20 issue of the *Journal of Clinical Oncology*.

Dr. Kulke conducted a Phase II trial to treat neuroendocrine patients with a combination of temozolomide and thalidomide. This drug combination shrank neuroendocrine tumors in 25 percent of the study participants and was biochemically active against tumors in 40 percent of the participants.

In announcing his results, Dr. Kulke said:

"Neuroendocrine tumors are among the most vascular, or blood vessel-filled, tumors that exist, so it made sense to test chemotherapy in combination with an angiogenesis inhibitor like thalidomide, which blocks blood vessel growth. ... In many patients, the therapy produced a significant response, usually with less severe side effects than with older, standard chemotherapy regimens."

[Learn more about Dr. Kulke's research results](#)

### Foundation Update

The Caring for Carcinoid Foundation has entered a cycling team in the Pan-Mass Challenge on Saturday, Aug. 5 to Sunday, Aug. 6, 2006. This team is raising funds solely to fund carcinoid research.

The Pan-Mass Challenge is the nation's most successful bike-a-thon. It has raised over \$145 million for life-saving cancer research, including \$23 million last year. Riders of all abilities, including novice riders, participate in this major charitable event.

[Anne Doyle](#), a member of our Board of Directors and 5-year rider in the Pan-Mass Challenge, is our Team Captain. Anne's dad, [Hugh Doyle](#), died of carcinoid three months ago. We welcome riders to join our team who want to contribute to carcinoid research and enjoy a wonderful experience.

In addition, we welcome "Virtual Riders" to join Team Caring for Carcinoid Foundation. This is the perfect option for people who want to join our team without riding the race. There is no fundraising minimum. Like all team riders, you will receive your free personal website with:

- Your photos
- Your personal story
- Your fundraising goals
- Your guestbook where family and friends can post messages

- Your donations page where you can receive online contributions

In addition, you will appear as a rider on the Team Caring for Carcinoid Foundation website! This is a great opportunity to contribute to carcinoid research and help us discover a cure.

[Join Team Caring for Carcinoid Foundation!](#)

## Donor Update

We are grateful that our [Donor List](#) continues to grow rapidly.

This year, we will award new research grants to leading carcinoid scientists. 100% of all donations will fund these research grants. Quite simply--the more money we raise, the more research grants we will award. Your generosity will help us achieve our mission of discovering a cure for carcinoid. The research results described above provide an example of how we award research grants to make progress rapidly.

So, please contribute and help us accelerate the path to a cure. We honor four tiers of donors:

- [Sunflower Leadership](#) (\$25,000 and up)
- [Sunflower Circle](#) (\$1,000 and up)
- [Sunflower Seeds](#) (\$100 and up)
- [Contributors](#) (Below \$100)

In addition, we offer naming opportunities that include the following:

- Carcinoid Research Symposium - an annual meeting of our funded scientists to discuss their latest research findings and identify the fastest path to discovering a cure
- Research Grants - research grants may be named in the donor's area of scientific interest, such as carcinoid cell biology
- Challenge Grants - donors may name a challenge grant to match other donations dollar-for-dollar

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