

Caring for Carcinoid Foundation

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Research Progress

Researchers supported by the Caring for Carcinoid Foundation continue to make rapid progress against carcinoid. As a reminder, we have awarded over \$1 million in research grants to three scientists:

- [Dr. Daniel Chung - \\$300,000](#)
- [Dr. Ramesh Shivdasani - \\$500,000](#)
- [Dr. Matthew Kulke - \\$250,000](#)

Dr. Daniel Chung delivered a presentation at the 3rd Annual Conference of the [European Neuroendocrine Tumor Society](#) (ENETS) in Prague on March 22-24, 2006. Dr. Chung's presentation was titled, "Transforming Pathways in Neuroendocrine Tumors".

[Read about Dr. Chung's presentation](#)

2006 Research Grants

The Caring for Carcinoid Foundation was honored to receive a very large number of Letters of Intent in response to our [2006 Request for Proposal](#). We circulated this Request for Proposal to over 100 of the top cancer hospitals and biomedical research institutes nationwide. Scientists from all across the country responded with high quality letters.

Our [Board of Scientific Advisors](#) carefully reviewed all these letters, then invited a highly select group of scientists to submit full applications by May 1. After these applications are received, our Board of Scientists will conduct a peer review process based on [NIH peer review guidelines](#). They will focus on five criteria in rating the applications--significance, approach, innovation, investigators, and environment.

The Caring for Carcinoid Foundation looks forward to announcing the winners of our 2006 research grants in June. Each research grant will provide funding of \$50,000 to \$150,000 per year for a minimum of two years. It is critical to award such large-scale, long-term research grants in order for the scientists to recruit high-quality staff, utilize advanced technology, and perform deep, comprehensive analysis. These research efforts will generate significant scientific breakthroughs that accelerate our path to a carcinoid cure.

NECN - March 29 TV Interview of Nancy O'Hagan

[Nancy O'Hagan](#), Founder and President of the Caring for Carcinoid Foundation, was interviewed by the primetime "Chet Curtis Report" on New England Cable News (NECN). NECN is the country's largest regional news network, serving more than 3 million homes.

Nancy discussed a wide range of topics on carcinoid research and our mission to discover a cure.

[View NECN interview](#)

Pan-Mass Challenge Update

[Team Caring for Carcinoid Foundation](#) will bike in the [Pan-Mass Challenge](#) on August 5-6, 2006. Our team is already enjoying enormous success:

- 31 riders have joined
- Jerseys are sponsored by [Kirkpatrick and Lockhart](#)
- The team's fundraising commitments have reached \$100,000, and the team riders have a goal to go even higher
- 100% of every dollar raised from this extraordinary team effort will be awarded in September 2006 to fund more cutting edge carcinoid research

[Join Team Caring for Carcinoid Foundation](#)

Launch of Sunflower Squad

The Caring for Carcinoid Foundation has launched a new program called Sunflower Squad. This program provides you with an opportunity to raise awareness and/or funds to fight carcinoid.

The Sunflower Squad is easy and fun. As a team member, you will:

- Set a fundraising goal
- Choose an enjoyable fundraising activity
- Connect with donors and make new friends
- Take pride and satisfaction in helping to cure carcinoid

[Learn about our Sunflower Squad](#)

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