

WHY CHOOSE US

The Fisher Center for Alzheimer's Research Foundation provides millions of dollars for breakthrough Alzheimer's research. Our mission is to understand the causes of Alzheimer's disease, improve the care of people living with it, and find a cure.

Find out more about the Fisher Center Foundation at [ALZinfo.org](https://alzinfo.org)

EVERY 65 SECONDS someone in the U.S. develops Alzheimer's disease



NEARLY 7 MILLION AMERICANS ARE LIVING WITH ALZHEIMER'S

Our vision is working towards a future when Alzheimer's is nothing but a memory.



LEGACY GIFT OPTIONS

Your legacy can accelerate our mission, while supporting a cause you care about.



WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1995, the Fisher Center for Alzheimer's Research Foundation is dedicated to supporting scientific research for Alzheimer's disease. The Foundation is part of the legacy of Zachary and Elizabeth M. Fisher, and was inspired by Elizabeth, Zachary's wife, who battled Alzheimer's in her later years. Zachary's vision was that one day a cure could be found that would spare others from having to experience the same.

A strategic gift, such as a tribute gift through your will, can create a lasting statement about what's important to you. By including charitable interests in your will or living trust, you can define your legacy and make a significant impact on causes you care about, including finding a cure for Alzheimer's disease.



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Bequest

A bequest is a gift included in a will that takes effect at death. You may make a bequest to nonprofit organizations like the Fisher Center Foundation by either executing a new will or amending an already existing will.

Charitable Lead Trusts

A charitable lead trust allows you to donate to nonprofit organizations, like the Fisher Center Foundation, for a certain number of years, while leaving the remaining assets to individuals designated by you. To create such a trust during your life, you must transfer assets (e.g., cash, stocks, real estate) to a trustee through a trust agreement. The trustee then invests your assets and makes payments to the nonprofit organization(s) of your choice for a specified number of years. When the term of the trust ends, the assets (plus any appreciation in their value) will pass to designated non-charitable beneficiaries.

Charitable Remainder Trusts

A charitable remainder trust allows you to gift an interest in property to non-charitable beneficiaries (e.g., children, grandchildren, yourself) for a certain number of years while leaving the remaining assets to nonprofit organizations, like the Fisher Center Foundation. To create such a trust during your life, you must transfer assets (e.g., cash, stocks, real estate) to a trustee through a trust agreement. Payments from the trust are made to you and/or other designated non-charitable beneficiaries for a specified number of years. When the term of the trust ends, the remaining assets pass to the nonprofit organization.

Life Insurance / Retirement Plans

If retirement plan accounts (e.g., 401k, IRA) are left at your death to anyone other than a surviving U.S. citizen spouse, such accounts are subject to both income and estate taxes (if left to a surviving U.S. citizen spouse, then only income taxes are payable). You can also leave your accounts to a nonprofit organization, free of income and estate taxes.

Please consult your attorney, financial advisor, and/or accountant for more information when considering your options.

THE LABS WE SUPPORT

The Fisher Center Foundation raises funds to support labs in New York City and Paris, France. Scientists supported by the Foundation tackle the mystery that is Alzheimer’s from several different perspectives.



Nathaniel Heintz, PhD

At the Fisher Center lab at The Rockefeller University, Dr. Nathaniel Heintz and his team are exploring selective cellular vulnerability, which works to pinpoint which cells die off first in a disease environment. His colleague, Dr. Sidney Strickland, leads a team that focuses on the brain’s blood supply and its relationship to Alzheimer’s. They are researching if modulating the blood clotting system could slow down Alzheimer’s symptoms. And in Dr. Junyue Cao’s lab, they are using AI-driven analysis to investigate how cell populations maintain homeostasis, and how that is disrupted in aging-related disorders like Alzheimer’s.



Junyue Cao, PhD

Also located at The Rockefeller University, in the Bronk Laboratory building, is the Fisher Drug Discovery Center. The Center houses a biotech incubator and labs for start-up companies from The Rockefeller University, Weill Cornell Medicine, and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, and other New York City research and drug development entities.

At the Fisher Center Research Program at NYU Langone (recently ranked #1 in the country for Neurology and Neurosurgery), Dr. Martin Sadowski and his team use mathematical modeling



Martin Sadowski, MD, PhD

to identify genes affecting the rate of Alzheimer’s disease progression, as well as studying other proteins and their effect on the brain. His work includes a number of ongoing clinical trials.

The Imagine Institute, Institute of Brain and Spine, Department of Hematology, in Paris, France, is home to Dr. Olivier Hermine’s laboratory, which is studying the role of neuro-inflammatory processes involved in Alzheimer’s onset and progression. At last count, Imagine Institute was participating in more than 500 clinical studies testing over 60 therapeutic solutions with partners from the pharmaceutical and life science start-up communities.



Olivier Hermine, MD, PhD

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