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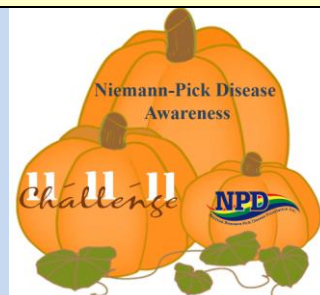
NNPDF families are gearing up for this year's October Awareness Month! Some have asked their state's governor or their city's mayor to proclaim October as NPD Awareness Month, some are working up elaborate community fundraising events, and some are planning simple awareness projects. Fundraising and awareness can be as easy as setting up a table at the high school football game, handing out brochures or newsletters, or selling PERSEVERE wristbands for \$1 each.

Awareness drives funding, funding drives research, and it is research that will find effective treatments and a cure for Niemann-Pick Disease. Therefore, we appreciate greatly anything you can do to help us raise awareness of Niemann-Pick Disease, even by doing something as simple as forwarding this newsletter to those on your contact list. Please [let us know](#) if we can supply you with brochures, newsletters or posters, or if we can help you with ideas, best practices, a press release, etc.

For more information and to see what NNPDF and CCNPFD member families are doing for Awareness Month, please visit <http://www.nnpdf.org/NPDOctoberAwarenessMonth2011.htm>.

Take the 11-11-11 Challenge!

To mark the upcoming unique date of 11-11-11, we are asking our families, friends and co-workers to each donate \$11 to the NNPDF for research.



Our goal for the "11-11-11 Challenge" is to get 111 people to get 11 of their contacts to each donate \$11. These modest donations, added up, would ultimately mean \$13,000 to be dedicated to research, designated by NPD type (ASMD/Type A&B or NPC)!

Please help us spread the word about this special campaign challenge, via email, Facebook, by mail, the telephone, or in person. For more information, visit the NNPDF's [11-11-11 Challenge page](#) and, as always, thank you for your continued support!



NNPDF-Funded Research News and Updates



The NNPDF is pleased to announce that it will provide support for the projects of Dr. Andrew Munkacsi of Columbia University (above, left), and Dr. Charles H. Vite of the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine – Philadelphia (above, right).

The NNPDF also provides support to four postdoctoral research fellows with ongoing studies on various aspects of Niemann-Pick Disease. The four fellows, Dr. Fabrizio Vacca, Dr. Ian Williams, Dr. Nicholas Cianciola, and Dr. Dorothea Maetzel, provide us with regular updates on their ongoing research projects. Please visit the NNPDF's [Research pages](#) to keep abreast with the important work of all these researchers.

Research funded by the NNPDF is made possible largely due to the diligent efforts of our member families and their extended support networks hosting local community events. The NNPDF is truly grateful for this support! Thank you for your help as we PERSEVERE in our Quest for a Cure!

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NNPDF 2011 Family Support and Medical Conference Recap

The 2011 National Niemann-Pick Disease Foundation's Family Support and Medical Conference, held recently in Norfolk, Virginia, was a resounding success! NNPDF families from the U.S., Canada, and several other countries came together to learn the latest in research and clinical care, and to share in supporting one another along the difficult journey presented by Niemann-Pick Disease.

Members of the NNPDF board and staff extend their greatest appreciation to the many volunteers, speakers, the staff of the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel, and others who went above and beyond the call of duty to make the conference such a wonderfully enriching experience.

Visit http://www.nnpdf.org/familyservices_03.html for links to fun photos from the 2011 Family Conference.

Thank you for your continued support in the fight against Niemann-Pick Disease!
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