

PATH TO A CURE

The path to a cure for Fanconi anemia (FA) is a long and winding one, with many different routes and detours. It starts with research. Each idea or concept builds on the others, taking us closer and closer to better treatments and a cure. Many of today's treatment protocols began 30 years ago as new research ideas funded by the Fanconi Anemia Research Fund.



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Discovery or idea

It all begins with an idea. Researchers map out a project and turn to FARF for funding.



2

Fundraising for research

Community members - many of them FA families - plan galas, run marathons, climb mountains, write letters, and more to raise funds.



3

Development of a drug or protocol

Researchers begin their work to investigate whether a certain drug or protocol may be useful as a treatment for those with FA.



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Research is 'translated' for preclinical testing

Once basic research is complete, investigators now work on applying it in a clinical setting.



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Clinical trial

It's time to test the new drug or protocol for safety and efficacy. If proven safe and effective, the drug or protocol is ready to use as treatment.



New treatments & better outcomes for people with FA!