

HSF news *brief*



Happy New Year! In looking back at our first three months of operation, the HSF is on track, if not ahead of schedule, in fulfilling its mission and goals. Our website is being accessed by scientists, doctors, patients, and the friends and family of affected patients, and our research database is growing exponentially. The reception to the International Symposium exceeded our expectations, as did worldwide community involvement. We look forward to a very exciting 2006 and thank you for your continued interest and support of the HSF. ~ Michelle Barlow and Robert Howes

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Developing a Global Roadmap for HS Research

International HS Research Symposium

March 31-April 2, 2006 • Dessau, Germany

The HSF is excited to announce that the following doctors/researchers are scheduled to attend the HS Research Symposium: David Adams, George Cotsarelis, William Danby, Damian Garcia-Olmo, Gregor Jemec, Ichiro Kurokawa, Hjalmar Kurzen, Anirban Mandal, Lynnette Margesson, Wolfgang Marsch, Irwin McLean, Samuel L Moschella, Ralf Paus, Uppala Radhakrishna, Jean Revuz, Rodney Sinclair, John Sundberg, Jan von der Werth, and Christos Zouboulis.

The "Call for Abstracts" due date has been extended to January 15th, and additional Symposium program details will be provided in the next HSF News Brief. The HSF is actively seeking sponsorships to help fund this important conference. For more information, please visit our website or contact Michelle Barlow directly at 1-619-255-7781.

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Genetic Alliance Membership

The HSF is pleased to announce their membership to the Genetic Alliance Association.



Are You a Health Professional With HS?

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December Database & Research Additions

With a substantial addition of 60 new documents this month, the FTP database now contains over 500 documents, and the HSF bibliography has 1088 citations. Nearly 200 people are registered to access to the database. Register at <http://www.hs-foundation.org/research/database.htm>

Dave's Head Shave Raises Funds for the HSF!



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On December 17, 2005 Dave Johnston shaved his head to raise money for the HSF. He and his wife Trish, who suffers from HS, organized this event, which successfully generated nearly \$4000 in pledges. The exact donation figures will be provided in the upcoming 2005 Annual Report. The HSF would like to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to the Johnstons for their commitment to raising awareness and funds for the HSF, and to all of the many people from around the world for their contributions and financial support!



^ Dave and Trish Johnston, with their daughters, after the shave.