



**A rare disease is only rare until it happens
to you or someone you love.**

I'd like to introduce you to my son, Jacob.

Jacob has Canavan disease, a rare, fatal genetic brain disorder. Jacob never reached his first milestone — lifting his head — and is essentially trapped in his own body.

Without intervention, he will lose his sight and his ability to swallow. In time he may be stricken with seizures, become too weak to fight off illness, and die within the first decade of his life.

In September, 2000, I created Jacob's Cure, a non-profit foundation dedicated to saving my son's life and that of the estimated 500 to 1,000 children who, in the United States alone, are afflicted with Canavan disease.

But because Canavan is so rare, federal funding has been scarce. It is primarily through the help of friends, family and a philanthropic community that Jacob and children like him may be cured.

Please join our effort. Support Jacob's Cure with a donation, and by helping to make awareness of Canavan a lot less rare.

**Jacob,
with his mom Jordana**

Jacob's Cure

A FIGHT AGAINST CANAVAN DISEASE

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