



**THE  
LONGEVITY  
FOUNDATION**



*“Collaborative biomedical research into cancer and degenerative diseases associated with auto-immunity, inflammation and premature aging”*

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## **Twenty Years of Research, Love, Family and Friends**

Like Shirley Howard still says, “Time flies—whether you’re having fun or not!”. It is hard to imagine that it has been well over 20 years since we got Patrick’s diagnosis and that this year marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Longevity Foundation, formerly known as the A-T Project.

We have followed an amazing path since Dr. Bill Lynn’s first call in 1991 from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston with his quick analysis of the basic cause of the destruction of Patrick’s disease, ataxia-telangiectasia (A-T) -- an analysis which has proven to be accurate to this day. It has been a long journey from that time until now, when in November of 2012, Dr. Paul Wong was invited to the Second World Congress on Cell Science and Stem Cell Research to make a presentation on his work with A-T stem cell therapy.

Another major milestone in our progression has been our partnership with Mark Henry and Bach Pharma, an alliance which began about 10 years ago. The collaborations we have had with them involving their incredible Russian drug, Galavit, or “GVT” in its western formulations, have caught the attention of the world’s scientific community. The most exciting development in this regard is the current plan to conduct a world-wide A-T clinical trial headed by our old friend Dr. Gerry Berry, who is now at Boston Children’s Hospital and Harvard Medical School. Other accomplishments are too numerous to mention, but we do have to brag about a huge one in particular—the first and only A-T Clinic in China, headed by Dr. Mingshan Yan, who had never even heard of A-T until he came to Paul’s lab in 2000!

Needless to say, through the years we have had some rough times, not the least of which have been the losses of Patrick and many of our dear friends and supporters. Though that list is far too long, we have much for which to be thankful, including their spirits, which still live in our hearts. We thank all of you, who have made everything possible. And just as importantly, we want to give special praise and thanks to Shirley and Jack Howard, who worked tirelessly for many years as our volunteer staff and Connie Cole, who took over five years ago doing yeoman’s work for embarrassingly meager compensation.

*Your generous donations have made all our work possible.  
You have our heartfelt gratitude, admiration, love and respect.  
Please help us with the next twenty years of progress!*



**Thanks to you all and please have a  
wonderful holiday season  
and a Happy New Year!**



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