



FOUNDATION FOR NEUROLOGIC DISEASES

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Ms. Carol Prata
Directory Alumni Council
P.O. Box 828
Byfield, MA 01922

Dear Ms. Prata:

On behalf of Dr. Cynthia Lemere and the staff at the Foundation of Neurologic Diseases (FND), I am very pleased to acknowledge the generous 2018 donation of \$5,000 from the Directory Alumni Council (DAC). As in the past, this unrestricted gift will support ongoing research in Dr. Lemere's laboratory.

We at the Foundation are grateful for the continued dedication of your members and your generous annual support. The DAC's unrestricted gift provides us with resources that can be used to meet the unforeseen needs that arise in our laboratories offering our researchers the flexibility that is not provided by restrictions imposed by most government grants and industry collaboration.

In particular, Dr. Lemere's lab benefits each year from the generous donations of the DAC. This past summer, Dr. Lemere used last year's donation to help support two college summer students in her lab. Each of these students is on track to a career in medicine and/or research. Summer internships help to facilitate the enthusiasm, education, drive and hard work required for success in these fields. The recent DAC donation will be used to help fund a Harvard College undergraduate who is doing her honor's thesis research in the Lemere Lab. Specifically, the funds will be used to support her research and allow her to present her data at a national scientific meeting in Galveston, Texas in January, which will surely enhance her applications to medical school this coming year. Through these generous gifts, the DAC is directly contributing to the future of science and medicine.

As longtime supporters you know that research on such a complex brain disorder requires commitment over a significant time period without gaps in funding. In order to develop better treatments and ultimately find a way to prevent this tragic disease, our scientists depend upon private philanthropy that allows them the flexibility to explore the most promising new directions in research and to hire the most talented staff.

Again, we thank you for your loyal support. We would also like you to know that we have not received notification about the annual holiday party this year. If you are expecting us to attend, please send the date and time at your earliest convenience and we will do our best to attend.

Sincerely yours,

Cathryn Chadwick
Assistant to the Executive Director
cc: Dr. Cynthia Lemere

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