



Alliance for Lupus Research

2015 Annual Report

MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER TO FIND A CURE

The mission of the Alliance for Lupus Research (ALR) is to find better treatments and ultimately prevent and cure systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE or lupus), a debilitating autoimmune disease, by supporting medical research.



Still the World's Leader in Lupus Research

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In 2015 the Alliance for Lupus Research (ALR) continued to gain ground in the fight against lupus. Utilizing the imagination and insights of the world's most brilliant and innovative scientists we have gained the essential elements to discover new insights about lupus, and find new ways to defeat the disease. Here are some highlights:

- **Funded** the most progressive lupus research in the world.
- **Launched** a clinical trial network to repurpose FDA approved drugs for lupus patients.
- **Announced** merger with two lupus organizations.
- **Granted** funds for some the world's most powerful genetics technology.
- **Partnered** with pharmaceutical companies to fund the most critical translational products on the market for lupus patients.

One More Step Towards a Cure

Thousands and thousands of dedicated walkers once again laced up their sneakers to take part in the Alliance for Lupus Research (ALR) *Walk with Us to Cure Lupus* events across the country.

Participants enlisted family, friends, coworkers and neighbors to join them in the fight against lupus. Along with raising critical dollars, walkers helped to raise awareness about this debilitating disease.

All of these extraordinary people – along with the ALR's Board of Directors who fund all of the organization's administrative and fundraising costs – enable the ALR to continue to be the world's largest private funder of lupus research..

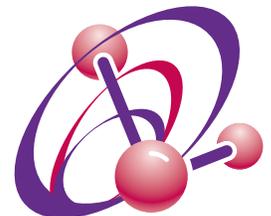
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Participants in the *Walk* program are staunch believers that individuals can make a difference. And they were right! With such amazing support the *Walk with Us to Cure Lupus* program raised more than \$2 million dollars for lupus biomedical research, bringing us one step closer to a cure.

The ALR has awarded more than \$100 million dollars to biomedical lupus research – More than any other organization in the world.



MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER



Since our inception in 1999, the ALR Board of Directors' contributions have funded all operating expenses. So, 100% of your donations went to critical research programs. Throughout the year, the goodwill and generosity of ALR donors propelled scientific discovery. (see reverse side for details and other highlights of the year.)

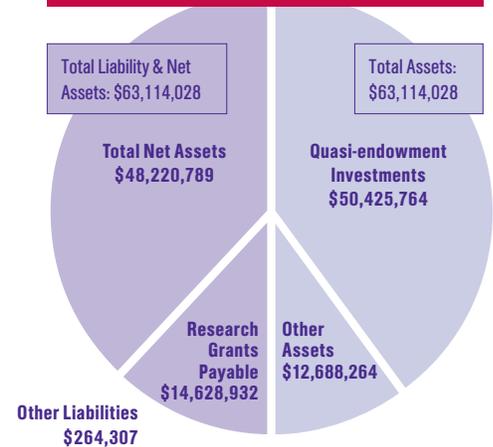


THE WORLD'S LARGEST PRIVATE FUNDER OF LUPUS RESEARCH

- In its sixteenth year The Alliance for Lupus Research (ALR) has funded more than **\$100 million for lupus biomedical research**.
- The ALR was recognized as one of the **top funders of rheumatological biomedical research**.¹
- The Lupus Insight Prize was awarded, in collaboration with the LFA and LRI², to **George Tsokos, M.D.**, for his unparalleled contribution to lupus research.
- Walkers from 17 cities across the country **raised over \$2 million dollars** in support of the most innovative and progressive lupus research in the world.
- The ALR continued its **partnership with Pfizer's Centers for Therapeutic Innovation** to fund lupus research at the world's leading academic centers.
- The ALR announced its impending merger with both the **Lupus Research Institute** and the **SLE Foundation**.
- The first joint scientific meeting of the ALR and LRI, Forum for Discovery occurred. The conference focused on Precision Medicine which is the **ability to identify the right drugs—for the right patients—at the right time.**



ALR Financial Summary as of Year-end 2015



Donor Contributions

100%

of every donor dollar went to support critical lupus research programs. ★
The ALR's Supporting Services are covered by donations from its Board of Directors.

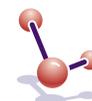
Revenue & Other Support:	
Contribution	\$11,619,309
Other Support	\$ 2,018,855
Total Revenue & Other Support:	\$13,638,164

Program Expenditures:	
Research	\$ 9,578,918
Scientific Programs	\$ 1,849,087
Public Policy	\$ 152,897
Total Program Expenditures:	\$11,580,902
Administrative Expenditures:	\$ 1,245,284 ★
Fundraising Expenditures:	\$ 2,105,290 ★
End of Year Net Asset Balance:	\$48,220,789

The ALR contracts Lutz and Carr, CPA's as its independent auditor. A complete copy of the audited financial statements of the ALR for the year ended December 31, 2015, together with the independent auditor's report thereon, may be obtained through a written request to the ALR's national office and is also available on the ALR website. The ALR is tax-exempt under 501(c)(3) of Internal Revenue Code. Donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

¹Reference-Rheumatology Research Foundation

²LFA is the Lupus Foundation of America and the LRI is the Lupus Research Institute



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