

Leukemia in Austria

Currently many leukemia patients are waiting for life saving stem cell transplants – among them many young children.

If no suitable donor is found among the patient's family, the probability of finding a match lies between 1 : 500 000 and several millions.

It's a race against time!

Your support is the backbone of our efforts to help victims of leukaemia



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What is leukemia?

Leukemia is a form of cancer that can affect anybody, regardless of genetics, life style or age. With leukemia, blood cells are not produced the way they should, and patients may have too many, too few, or blood cells that don't work properly.

This will over time destroy the human organism!

How to treat leukemia?

Sometimes leukemia can be healed using drugs and chemotherapy. In some cases stem cell donations are needed to save the patient's life. In those cases a "genetic twin" needs to be identified – the patient's and donor's stem cells have to match. A quick cheek swab is enough for the lab to test for the relevant parameters.

Who are we?

We are a non-profit organization aiming at giving sick people the highest possible chance of survival . This is only possible with your help: When you get tested and registered you make yourself available as a potential life saver.

We are part of a global network:

The database of registered donors with their relevant medical properties can be accessed by authorised doctors world wide. Hence, your registration can save a life no matter where a patient is located.



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How can I help?

Get tested: using a blood or saliva sample (cheek swab), an important part of your DNA can be analysed. Those properties will be saved in a globally accessible database without using your name or any other personal data. We act as an intermediary for your data. If your HLA-type is similar to a patient's, you will get notified by us and next steps will be discussed. Every step of your cooperation is your choice!

There are 2 possible ways to donate stem cells:

1. Blood stem cells: Healthy stem cells are filtered out of your blood. (duration: 4-5 hours).
2. Bone marrow stem cells: In a minimally invasive (no stiches or scars) procedure under general anaesthesia bone marrow is taken from the back of your pelvic bone. (duration of procedure: ~1 hour; 1 day at the hospital)

Physical prerequisites

- Aged 16 to 45 years
- Weigh at least 50 kg
- Currently well and healthy

Support by making a monetary donation:

Running one necessary lab test costs € 40 and is exclusively financed by voluntary donations. Those generous donations are the only way our organisation can keep helping those in dire need of hope.

I imagine a dying child – I am its only hope for survival!

You might just be one person among many on this planet, but for one person you can make all the difference

All donations to us are tax-deductible!