## Play an active role in your health care with Alzheimer's disease clinical studies.

Alzheimer's clinical studies are key to accelerating progress and providing valuable insight into potential treatments and methods of prevention. They provide many participants with cutting-edge treatments and give everyone an opportunity to contribute to research that will someday lead us to the end of this devastating disease.

#### Learn more.

Alzheimer's Association TrialMatch<sup>®</sup> is a free, easy-to-use clinical study matching service that connects individuals with Alzheimer's disease, caregivers, healthy volunteers and physicians with more than 225 promising pharmacological (drug) and non-pharmacological (non-drug) clinical studies at over 700 sites across the country.



Learn about TrialMatch and create an account at alz.org/trialmatch.

- Read more about clinical studies at alz.org/research/clinical\_trials/clinical\_trials\_alzheimers.asp.
- Connect with TrialMatch users. Visit the Clinical Trials message board on ALZConnected<sup>®</sup>, our online community at **alzconnected.org**.

#### Benefits of participating in a clinical study.

- Play a more active role in your own health care.
- Potentially gain access to treatments before they're widely available.
- Receive expert medical care at leading health care facilities often free of cost.
- Contribute to Alzheimer's research and help ensure that future generations will never know the devastation of Alzheimer's disease.



I never had the ability to help anyone with Alzheimer's disease until I got the disease and participated in a clinical study. It would be hard to overstate the importance of getting involved.



Ron G., TrialMatch user

We're here all day, every day. Call 800.272.3900 or visit alz.org.





I don't have a laboratory. I have Alzheimer's disease. And I'm helping to discover a cure.



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# You can help advance research, too.

As a person living with Alzheimer's or another dementia, you hope for a cure. You hope new treatments will be developed that will improve your quality of life. And you hope future generations will not be affected by the disease.

Participating in clinical studies gives us optimism for today and promise for the future. They provide many participants with access to cutting-edge treatments and expert medical care. And some day they will lead us to the end of this devastating disease.

We need clinical studies to accelerate progress and provide valuable insight into potential treatments and methods of prevention. Without the participation of people like you, finding a cure is virtually impossible. We need your help.

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Ron G. Living with Alzheimer's disease TrialMatch user



#### Using Alzheimer's Association TrialMatch<sup>®</sup> is easy.

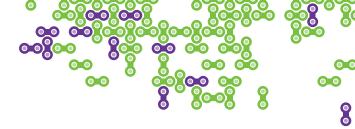
- » Step 1: Access TrialMatch online at alz.org/TrialMatch. For additonal assistance, email trialmatch@alz.org or call 800.272.3900.
- » Step 2: Complete a brief questionnaire to create a profile.
- Step 3: The Alzheimer's Association<sup>®</sup> will compare your unique profile to its comprehensive, continually updated clinical study database.
- Step 4: You will receive information about studies for which you might be a good fit based on your preferences, location and personal characteristics.

#### 260+ reasons for hope.

Alzheimer's Association TrialMatch provides access to more than 260 promising pharmacological (drug) and non-pharmacological (non-drug) clinical studies being conducted at over 1,000 sites across the country. Alzheimer's-related clinical studies include:

- » Treatment trials test new treatments or combinations of treatments.
- » Diagnostic studies find new tests or procedures for diagnosing a disease or condition.
- » Prevention trials investigate ways to prevent the onset of diseases.
- » Screening studies test methods to identify diseases or conditions at the earliest stages.
- Duality of life studies explore different ways to improve quality of life for individuals who have a chronic illness, their caregivers and family members.





I'm not a scientist. I'm a caregiver. And I'm helping to find new Alzheimer's treatments.

Michael M. Care partner to his wife TrialMatch user

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#### You can help advance research, too.

As a caregiver and a person who cares about the future, you have an opportunity to participate in vital research that could change the course of this disease and improve the lives of those it affects. Here's how:

- Take part in studies specifically for caregivers. Quality-of-life studies provide insight into the stresses and effects of caring for a person with dementia. These studies explore ways to improve quality of life.
- Participate in studies as a healthy volunteer. Researchers gain insights by comparing the patient groups to healthy volunteers, people with no known significant health problems. Healthy volunteer participation is vital in advancing research.

### » Encourage the person you are caring for to participate.

Clinical studies enable people with the disease to play a more active role in their health care by accessing potential treatments before they are widely available.

# Alzheimer's disease is a public health crisis.

- » More than 5 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's, a number that could triple by 2050.
- » Every 67 seconds, someone is diagnosed with this devastating disease, which is the sixth-leading cause of death in the United States.
- In 2013, more than 15 million family members and friends provided over 17 billion hours of unpaid care.
- The personal and financial cost, which exceeds \$200 billion per year, will devastate families and cripple Medicare.





#### Alzheimer's Association TrialMatch<sup>®</sup> is our hope for the future.

TrialMatch is a free, easy-to-use clinical studies matching service that connects individuals with Alzheimer's disease, caregivers, healthy volunteers and physicians with current studies. Our continuously updated database of 260+ Alzheimer's clinical studies includes both pharmacological (drug) and non-pharmacological (non-drug) studies being conducted at more than 1,000 sites across the country.

