

FAST (Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics) will host its annual Global Summit & Gala Dec. 6-7, 2019. The star-studded event draws more than 1,000 attendees and is recognized as Chicago's biggest celebrity fundraiser. The gala features an auction that helps generate significant revenue for FAST. FAST is the largest nongovernmental funder of Angelman syndrome (AS) research.

By supporting FAST's auction you are not only making an investment in finding treatments for Angelman syndrome but also a host of other disorders. Researchers and pharmaceutical companies are interested in Angelman syndrome because it is a single-gene disorder. They believe that finding treatments for AS will help pave the way for breakthroughs with multigene disorders like autism and Alzheimer's disease.

**Angelman syndrome holds one of the single most optimistic possibilities for a cure.**

Arthur L. Beaudet,  
M.D. Responsible for identifying the gene that causes Angelman syndrome

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FAST is the largest, nongovernmental funder of Angelman-specific research in the world. Paula Evans, an Illinois mother whose daughter was diagnosed with Angelman syndrome, founded FAST in 2008. FAST raises money to fuel cutting edge research and takes an active role in drug development to treat, and ultimately cure, the disorder.

FAST is a registered nonprofit, tax-exempt charitable organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations are tax deductible as allowed by law. Please consult your tax advisor for specific guidance. FAST's Employer Identification Number (EIN) is 26-3160079.

### What is Angelman syndrome?

Angelman syndrome (AS) is a rare neurogenetic disorder that affects approximately one in 15,000 people – about 500,000 individuals worldwide. Children and adults with AS typically have balance issues, motor impairment and debilitating seizures. Some individuals never walk. Most do not speak. Disrupted sleep cycles also can be a serious challenge to the individual and caretaker(s). Individuals with AS require continuous care and are unable to live independently. They have a normal life expectancy. In most cases, Angelman syndrome isn't inherited. Angelman syndrome was named after Harry Angelman, an English pediatrician, who first described the syndrome in 1965.

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