




What is TESS Research Foundation?

-  A patient-centered nonprofit organization driving research for treatments and a cure for SLC13A5 Epilepsy
-  A worldwide community of doctors and scientists
-  An advocate and resource for families

We will have succeeded when all children with SLC13A5 Epilepsy can live healthy, independent lives.

What is SLC13A5 Epilepsy?

SLC13A5 is the name of a gene. Changes to this gene result in a **severe neurological disorder** called SLC13A5 Epilepsy.



What is it like to have SLC13A5 Epilepsy?

Children with SLC13A5 Epilepsy have up to thousands of painful **seizures** that begin at birth and are difficult to control. They also have a debilitating **movement disorder, challenges walking, sleeping, and eating**, and understand language, but **cannot speak** more than a few words. They are **trapped in their bodies**.

SLC13A5 Epilepsy impacts entire families, as affected individuals require care and monitoring 24 hours a day through adulthood.

Current funding priorities:

- SLC13A5 Research
- Education and support for affected children and families
- SLC13A5 gene therapy

You can change lives!

Make a donation or partner with us.

Contact Lindsay Okamoto:
lindsay@tessfoundation.org