

AIAXIA Research Outcomes Report 2020

Ataxia UK uses *Researchfish* to analyse the impact of Ataxia UK-funded research. This report summarises data from 43 grants, awarded between 2009 and 2019.





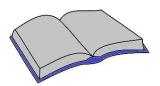
Further Funding

Every £1 Ataxia UK spent on research projects raised almost £4 in further funding, specifically to be used for research into ataxia



Engagement

Researchers took part in **94** engagement activities, ensuring their ataxia research reached national and international audiences



Publications

Ataxia UK grant holders published 96 journal articles, as well as four conference proceedings, two theses and one book

Research tools and materials

Thirteen databases were developed, as well as **one** data analysis technique, and 35 research tools and methods

Awards and recognition

Forty five national and international awards/recognitions were reported, demonstrating the quality of the funded researchers

Case Study: Further funding for episodic ataxia type 2 (EA2) research

Dr Lorenzo Cingolani was awarded £5.000 from Ataxia UK to study gene therapy for EA2. Dr Cingolani used preliminary data obtained using this grant to secure £250,000 in further funding from The Telethon Foundation in Italy to continue his work in EA2 gene therapy.

Case Study: Speech and Language therapy advice

In a small trial funded by Ataxia UK and Swiss charity ACHAF. Prof Lowit found that although LSVT speech therapy could not improve everybody's speech, most of their study participants reported some improvements to their communication with the help of LSVT. They suggest that Speech and Language Therapists could consider providing LSVT treatment for people with ataxia, provided the impact of the treatment is closely monitored.