

# find the cure

foundation **I B D**  
**R E S E A R C H**

IBD People united around the world

## First world IBD Patients Day 2010

### RESEARCH

#### CAUSE

The foundation covers a wide range of studies including **Genetics, Mechanism, BioMarkers and environmental issues.**

#### EPIDEMIOLOGY

To know the numbers and common analysis the foundation is able to compare the data around **Europe.**

#### EMPOWERMENT

Besides cause and cure the foundation's focus will be patient empowerment including side effects, education, coping with IBD, activities and communication.

For some time the IBD (inflammatory bowel disease) global community of Crohn's and colitis patient organisations and foundations have been considering the wish to launch a World IBD Patients Day. As a result of discussions in early June 2009 among patient organisation representatives from Australia, Canada, Europe, South America and the USA during Digestive Diseases Week in Chicago and subsequently in a teleconference a decision has been reached to pilot the **first Global IBD Patients Day on 19 May 2010.** [Learn about ....](#)

New drugs are on the way

### Sugar attack's crohn

Scientists have shown that in mice with colitis a genetically engineered bacteria, bacteroides ovatus, can be engineered to deliver a human growth factor (KGF-2) directly to damaged cells in the gut which seems to be activated when there is an ingestion of xylan, a form of food sugar.

The UK Institute of Food led researchers have been able to control the therapeutic protein in the gut of mice and it is hoped that clinical trials can begin in about 18 months, with the patients swallowing the specially prepared freeze-dried encapsulated bacteria followed by an ingestion of the sugar xylan, possibly in a drink. It has also been reported that the researchers have strains of bacteria that may deliver therapies in IBD and other colorectal cancer. Other biotech research using bacteria based therapy, notably in Belgium, is being undertaken.

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## Be a hero

People with IBD need your help. More than 40 years ago we already discovered IBD, until now we don't know why people still need to cope with this life-time disease. Be a HERO and help all those millions of people. [Donate now!](#)

Less pain with music

## Pain away

It has been reported that research in Scotland has shown that listening to your favorite music can help ease pain, or to tolerate the pain longer compared with those, say, who try to solve puzzles or looking at art. Pain is an under researched area in many chronic conditions such as IBD. The research programme was undertaken at the Glasgow Caledonian University.

Paediatric IBD

## Children and young people

The numbers of children and young people under 18 years diagnosed with Crohn's or colitis is growing though further epidemiology studies are required. Research initiatives are taking place across the world to improve treatments and to find the cure, meanwhile we are seeing genetic, immunological and microbiological advances.

The IBD Research Foundation is including "Paediatrics" in its future programmes and will be represented with EFCCA ( [www.efcca.org](http://www.efcca.org) ) at the International Paediatric IBD Symposium at the Paris CNIT 9 - 12 September ( [www.pibd2009.com](http://www.pibd2009.com) ) to hear the latest news and to meet the Paediatric Gastroenterology and healthcare community.

## WHERE CAN YOU FIND US

**Paediatric Symposium**

Paris, FR

September 2009

**WCOG/UEGW**

London, UK

November 2009

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