



Wake Up Narcolepsy Impact Statement

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>\$1,000,000 donated to advance narcolepsy research

Wake Up Narcolepsy (WUN) Mission:

- Support basic and clinical research to advance treatments and discover a cure for narcolepsy
- Accelerate time to diagnosis
- Increase narcolepsy awareness through education

Funds Raised and Donated

- Since 2008, WUN has donated \$1.39 million for narcolepsy research through grassroot efforts (e.g., philanthropy, annual campaigns, fundraising)

Projects Supported

- Funds from WUN have supported projects and facilitated advancement in the following areas:
 - Narcolepsy genetics
 - Narcolepsy and cataplexy pathophysiology
 - Novel treatments and healthcare delivery
 - Tools for improved diagnosis
- Early-stage research support from WUN can be a path to receipt of larger awards. Grants made possible through WUN-supported research include:
 - “Mechanisms of Cataplexy,” a \$1.5 million multi-year NIH grant ([5R01NS106032](#), PI: Thomas Scammell, MD)
 - “Development and Validation of a Nocturnal Sleep Signature for the Diagnosis of Idiopathic Hypersomnia,” a ~\$500,000 NIH grant (direct costs for 2024) ([1R61NS130215](#), PI: Kiran Maski, MD)

Findings Published

- WUN-supported research findings are published in over 25 primary journal articles and multiple national and international presentations (see attached Published Research list)

Partnerships

- In 2022, WUN formed a partnership with the American Academy of Sleep Medicine (AASM) Foundation to jointly fund research understanding central disorders of hypersomnolence
 - This *triples* the impact of each WUN dollar toward research of sleep disorders
 - WUN funding is currently supporting two projects under this mechanism



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