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Last week's FDA Arthritis Advisory Committee meeting was the first time a panel convened to review a drug application for the treatment of CFS.

Although most committee members found the data to

reflect some interesting trends and a vote on safety went in favor of Ampligen, the final recommendation sent to the FDA was not to approve Ampligen for CFS. Compelling testimony from members of the public could not overcome the committee's need for more data to recommend that the IV drug is effective. Read more about the meeting, media coverage and what's next in the review process and for the drug at <http://bit.ly/FDA-panel-outcome>.



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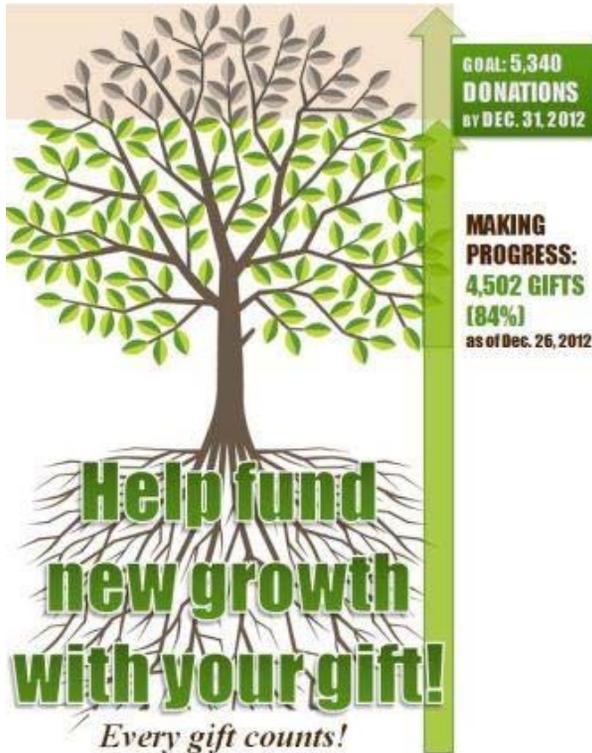
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 14, 2013: The CDC will host a Patient-Centered Outreach and Communications Activity teleconference at 3:00 PM (EST). The topic of this meeting will be "redefining exercise in CFS through redefining aerobic activity" and the guest speaker will be Dr. Nancy Klimas. CDC staff will also provide updates on their research and outreach programs. To be added to the mailing list for further details, please send an email message to: CFSPCOACall@cdc.gov

Next spring the FDA will sponsor a stakeholder meeting about clinical outcome measures in ME and CFS. We'll share additional details as they become available. The FDA has archived information about drug development in ME/CFS here: <http://1.usa.gov/Nlzk2S>



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For CFS to be widely understood, diagnosable, curable and preventable.

Our Strategy:

To stimulate research aimed at the early detection, objective diagnosis and effective treatment of CFS through expanded public, private and commercial investment.

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To lead with integrity, innovation and purpose.

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