

Our Vision



Euro-ataxia is an international non-profit association whose member organisations work together to help people with progressive ataxia lead their best life. We do this by building a strong organisation that represents people with progressive ataxia throughout Europe.

Our Members

Belgium

- Association Belge de l'Ataxie de Friedreich
- Flemish association neuromuscular disorders

Denmark

- Foreningen for ATAKSI HSP

Finland

- Neuoliitto

France

- Association Connaître les Syndromes Cérébelleux
- l'Association Française de l'Ataxie de Friedreich

Germany

- Deutsche Heredo-Ataxie Gesellschaft
- Friedreich Ataxie Förderverein e.V.

Israel

- The Israeli Machado Joseph Association

Italy

- Associazione Italiana per la lotta alle Sindromi Atassiche

Netherlands

- ADCA Vereniging Nederland
- Spierziekten Nederland

Spain

- Federación de Ataxias de España

Sweden

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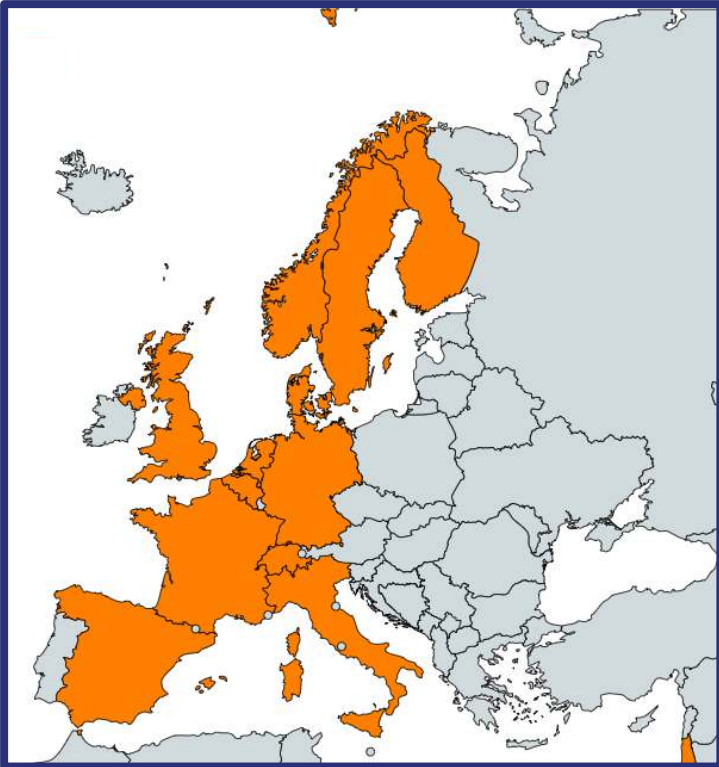
Switzerland

- Association Suisse de l' Ataxie de Friedreich
- Schweizerische Muskelgesellschaft

United Kingdom

- Ataxia Telangiectasia Society
- Ataxia UK





What is ataxia?

'Ataxia' is an umbrella term for a group of neurological disorders that affect balance, coordination, and speech. There are many different types of ataxia that can affect people in different ways.

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Who gets ataxia?

Anyone of any age can get ataxia, but certain types are more common in certain age groups. For example, people with Friedreich's ataxia are usually diagnosed in childhood or adolescence.

How many people have ataxia?

The ataxias are rare conditions:

- >100,000 people in Europe have ataxia.
- The most commonly inherited ataxia, Friedreich's ataxia, has a prevalence of 1:29,000.
- Inherited childhood ataxias have a prevalence of 1:21,692.

Is there any cure?

Some forms of ataxia are treatable, but in most cases, there is still no cure. Despite this, research is constantly on-going towards finding new treatments and cures.

Our Objectives

Hand in hand, we work towards the following objectives:

- To drive forward research and treatment of the ataxias.
- To encourage the free flow of information between members on the latest research.
- To foster and improve contacts between practitioners interested in the ataxias, and people with ataxia.
- To investigate social, political and cultural matters connected to the welfare of people with ataxia, and promoting and improving the exchange of this information.
- To promote co-operation on an international level between national ataxia organisations.
- To raise awareness of ataxia among clinicians, scientists and society.

