



Lou Gehrig's Disease (ALS)

ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) is a disease of the motor neurons. The motor neurons are the nerve cells that initiate and control muscle movement. When the motor neurons die, people become progressively weak and lose the ability to walk, use the arms, talk, and swallow. While there is not a cure that halts or reverses ALS, the ALS research community is very active and there is a growing pipeline of potential treatments that is being tested in clinical studies with the hope of finding effective treatments soon. In the meanwhile, there is a lot that one can do to support the function and quality of life of people with ALS. The ALS Clinic at the Massachusetts General Hospital provides high-quality clinical care (from diagnosis to supportive care) along with access to the latest treatments and research opportunities for patients with ALS.

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