**In the news**

**Remarkable results aid very sick children**

Skeletal muscle atrophy is the second genetic cause of infant death, and a new drug on the horizon may be the first effective treatment for it. A similar trial for the drug, made possible by basic research from Professor Adrian Krainer's lab, was ended early because results in infants have been so positive.

**A vital ally in the preprint revolution**

The New York Times has described biologists using the Preprint server bioRxiv as "figures in a diorama of science". They have received scores of new followers, and many are proud of the space. "We've watched a fantastic run," says bioRxiv's David Shapovalov. "The preprint revolution has a long way to go."

**Further reading**

* Non-motor family (Episode 3 of CSLB's new podcast, Base Pairs)

* Riding out the swallows of ALS, toward better treatments

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**Upcoming events**

- **September 15**
  - Christina Rena Foundation 2016 interception at The 2016 Drive
  - Public lecture on Lyme disease

- **September 18**
  - Science walking tour

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**In quotes**

Professor Michael Wigger in *The Scientist*:

The genes underlying autism are coming into focus.

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