

# About UCB

UCB has taken a leadership role in the research and development of medications to treat central nervous system conditions and immunology disorders, including epilepsy, Parkinson's disease, Crohn's disease and rheumatoid arthritis. UCB recognizes that patients are individuals who have lives beyond their medical conditions. In support of that vision, UCB has created a broad range of programs that foster independence and empowerment among people living with chronic diseases and their family and friends. UCB is based in Brussels, Belgium with U.S. headquarters in Atlanta.

## UCB's Programs for the Epilepsy Community

#### Epilepsy Advocate<sup>™</sup>

UCB sponsors Epilepsy Advocate, a community of people whose lives are directly affected by epilepsy, including those with epilepsy, their caregivers, family and friends. These remarkable individuals share their challenges and triumphs so that others are empowered to seek care with a goal of seizure freedom with minimal side effects. Beginning in 2006 with 18 Advocates, the program has grown to include more than 60 Advocates. Over 15,000 people have connected with Epilepsy Advocates at more than 300 programs across the U.S., and *Epilepsy Advocate* magazine has a readership of over 100,000 per issue. For more information about the Epilepsy Advocate program, as well as speaker events in cities and towns nationwide, visit EpilepsyAdvocate.com or find us on Facebook: Facebook.com/EpilepsyAdvocate.

## UCB Family Epilepsy Scholarship Program<sup>™</sup>

UCB has awarded more than 150 scholarships—totaling almost one million dollars—to individuals living with epilepsy, their caregivers or family members seeking higher education opportunities. Applications are available at <u>UCBEpilepsyScholarship.com</u> and recipients are honored on a Facebook page: <u>Facebook.com/UCBEpilepsyScholarship</u>.

#### **Canine Assistants**

UCB has been the exclusive sponsor of Canine Assistants seizure response dogs since 2005, providing substantial monetary support to sponsor seizure response dogs for people who need them. The cost of one service dog is nearly \$20,000, which covers the in-depth training, ongoing support and veterinarian care for the life of the dog. This funding has helped place service dogs with individuals living with epilepsy throughout the United States.

#### **Epilepsy Classroom**<sup>™</sup>

This online resource was created by a neurologist and an experienced educator, with support from UCB, to provide teachers with important materials to manage and discuss epilepsy in their classrooms. Visit <u>EpilepsyClassroom.com</u>.