

# What is Insulin Pumpers?

*History and official status of Insulin Pumpers, and how you may support its work*

Insulin Pumpers was formed in September 1997 by [Michael Robinton](#) as a voluntary organisation providing a support forum on the internet for pump users. His daughter had recently started using a pump. It is now handled by a team of 50 volunteer writers, web developers, mail administrators, chat organizers and medical advisory board members.

Insulin Pumpers runs 2 websites ([www.insulin-pumpers.org](http://www.insulin-pumpers.org) and [www.insulin-pumpers.org.uk](http://www.insulin-pumpers.org.uk)) with extensive information for the US and the UK, and [6 discussion groups](#) in 3 languages, with over 3000 members from around the world. In January 1999 Insulin Pumpers established itself as a charity. It has no affinity with any one pump company. Funding for the organisation comes from voluntary contributions from members, and from companies. A list of donors is available on our [donors page](#).

There are 3 ways in which you may be able to assist Insulin Pumpers:

- You may like to make a financial donation, however small or large, to help cover our running costs. The donation can be anonymous or in memory of a loved one. You may do this at our [online credit-card donation page](#), or by sending a cheque, payable to Insulin Pumpers, to the address below.
- If you would like to write an article to be displayed on the Insulin Pumpers UK website, please contact [John Neale](#). You do not have to be a webpage expert. Our own designers will create the page based on the text you provide.
- If you are a medical professional with experience in insulin pump therapy, you may like to join [our medical advisory board](#). To do so, please contact [Michael Robinton](#).

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