**Butterfly children**
Epidermolysis bullosa (EB) is a rare disease. We call affected people “butterfly children” because their skin is as vulnerable as the wings of a butterfly. 500 people are affected in Austria and about 30,000 in Europe. The public health system is neither prepared nor equipped to deal with the specific challenges of a disease like EB. This is why medical care, research and individual support for the “butterfly children” can only be continued with the help of donations.

**EB House Austria**
On the initiative of the patient organisation DEBRA Austria, the world’s first special clinic for “butterfly children” was opened at the University Hospital Salzburg in 2005. The EB House Austria has meanwhile become a global Centre of Expertise. EB patients are in good hands here, cared for by specially-trained, compassionate and experienced physicians, nurses and therapists. The EB House consists of four units:

**EB Outpatient Clinic**
The EB Outpatient Clinic team provides medical care for the “butterfly children”. The focus here is on wound and pain management, and on multidisciplinary care for patients both large and small.

**EB Research Unit**
The Research Unit team is dedicated to alleviating and healing EB. The latest scientific findings in the fields of skin cancer research, gene & cell therapy and other forward-looking approaches give the “butterfly children” real hope for a life without blisters, wounds and pain.

**EB Academy**
The EB Academy ensures a lively exchange of knowledge through various training programmes and the active, national & international networking of patients, physicians, therapists, nursing staff and researchers.

**EB Study Centre**
The EB Study Centre team is totally dedicated to determining the effectiveness, tolerability and safety of new therapeutic approaches to EB. Clinical studies provide patients with access to innovative treatment options even before they are approved and ensure medical progress in a variety of ways.

**With your support, the EB House can continue to operate and research new ways of healing. Please give the “butterfly children” hope for the future by donating at schmetterlingskinder.at/spenden or by using the IBAN: AT02 2011 1800 8018 1100.**