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S'porean teen, 15, donates bone marrow to save sister, 13, who had cancer relapse

"It was like he understood that this was his to carry," Austin's father recalled his son's decision to undergo the procedure.

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When his 13-year-old sister needed a bone marrow transplant due to a cancer relapse, a 15-year-old Singaporean teen stepped up to the plate.

Upon realising that he and his brother were the only two suitable donors in the family, Austin Lim told his stunned parents: "Then let's do it."

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Austin's act of bravery was featured in a May 27 press release by the Children's Cancer Foundation.

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Austin's younger sister, Mira, was first diagnosed with leukaemia in January 2024.

The cancer went into remission after months of treatment.

However, the family was blindsided when Mira relapsed in early 2025.

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