



# Increasing Efficiency, Safety, and Speed in Clinical Trials for Neurodegenerative Diseases

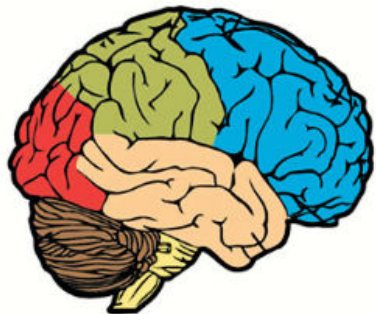
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# Genetics and new biology is highlighting important targets for intervention



## Protein misfolding plays a key role in neurodegeneration

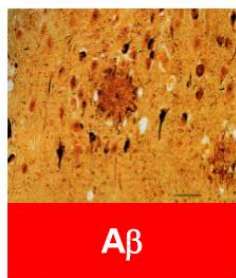
Four major pathologies are linked to the majority of human neurodegenerative disease

### Neurodegenerative disorders

- Alzheimer's disease
- Parkinson disease
- Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
- Huntington disease

### Disease related genomics

### What molecules to be target?



A $\beta$

Alzheimer's Disease



Tau

Alzheimer's Disease

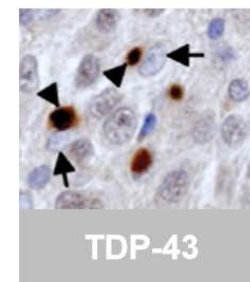
- PSP<sup>1</sup>
- CBD
- FTLD-tau<sup>2</sup>
- Pick's Disease
- Parkinson's Disease
- CTE



Synuclein

Parkinson's Disease

- Alzheimer's Dis. (LBV)
- Diffuse Lewy Body Dis.
- Multiple system atrophy



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ALS

- Alzheimer's Dis. (Hipp Scl)
- FTLD-tdp (types 1-4)
- Perry Syndrome

Target Selection

# Yet....New Approaches are Needed to Tackling Drug Development Challenges

## Traditional Drug Development Approach



Reliance on limited information and experience based on:

- A small set of KOLs
- Small, possibly outdated, datasets
- Last paper bias

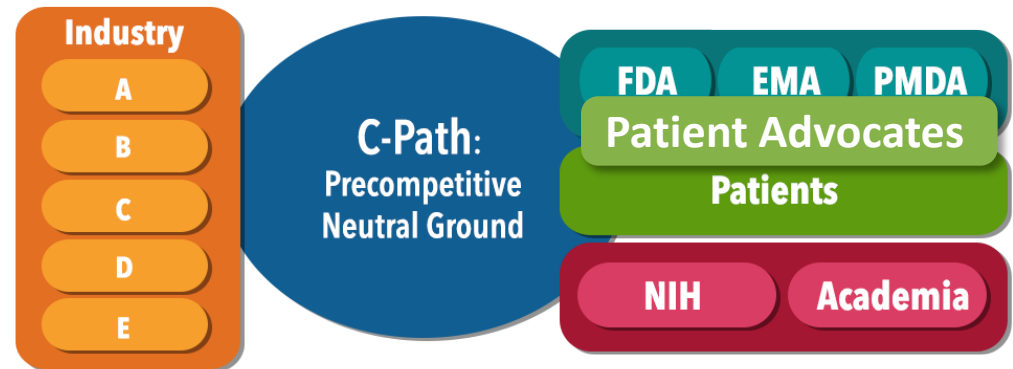
## Data and Quantitative Model Based Drug Development Approach



A modern approach based on:
















- Integrated global datasets including relevant populations and endpoints
- Quantitative models of disease progression, patient population and endpoint behavior

- Act as a trusted, neutral third party
- Convene scientific consortia of industry, academia, and government for sharing of data/expertise
  - ✓ The best science
  - ✓ The broadest experience
  - ✓ Active consensus building
  - ✓ Shared risk and costs



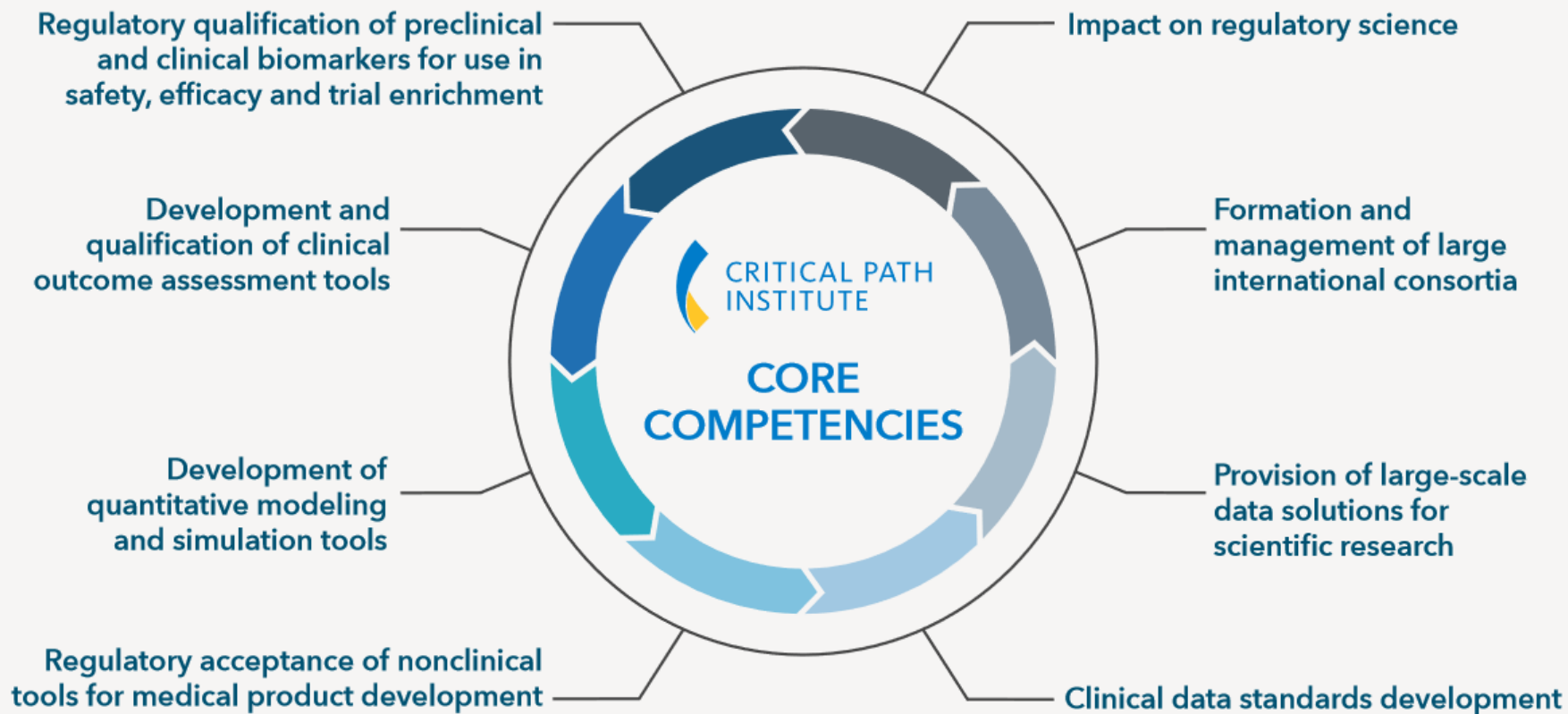
- Enable iterative EMA/FDA/PMDA participation in developing new methods to assess the safety and efficacy of medical products
- Official regulatory endorsement of novel methodologies and drug development tools

## Fifteen global consortia collaborating with 1,450+ scientists and 84 organizations

 <p><b>CPAD</b> Critical Path Institute</p>	<p><b>Critical Path for Alzheimer's Disease</b> <i>Focusing on needs in AD clinical trials</i></p>	 <p><b>PKD</b> CONSORTIUM Critical Path Institute</p>	<p><b>Polycystic Kidney Disease Outcomes Consortium</b> <i>New imaging biomarker for PKD</i></p>
 <p><b>CPP</b> PARKINSON'S CONSORTIUM Critical Path Institute</p>	<p><b>Critical Path for Parkinson's Consortium</b> <i>Enabling clinical trials in Parkinson's Disease</i></p>	 <p><b>PRO</b> CONSORTIUM Critical Path Institute</p>	<p><b>Patient-Reported Outcome Consortium</b> <i>Assessing treatment benefit</i></p>
 <p><b>CPTR</b></p>	<p><b>Critical Path to TB Drug Regimens</b> <i>Accelerating the development of TB drug regimens and diagnostics</i></p>	 <p><b>PRO</b> CONSORTIUM Critical Path Institute</p>	<p><b>Electronic Patient-Reported Outcome Consortium</b> <i>Electronic capture of treatment benefit</i></p>
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 <p><b>HD-RSC</b> HUNTINGTON'S CONSORTIUM Critical Path Institute</p>	<p><b>Huntington's Disease Regulatory Science Consortium</b> <i>Expediting approval of Huntington's therapeutics</i></p>	 <p><b>T1D</b> TYPE 1 DIABETES CONSORTIUM</p>	<p><b>Type 1 Diabetes Consortium</b> <i>Qualifying biomarkers for type 1 diabetes</i></p>
 <p><b>INC</b> Critical Path Institute</p>	<p><b>International Neonatal Consortium</b> <i>Neonatal clinical trials</i></p>	 <p><b>TTC</b> TRANSPLANT THERAPEUTICS CONSORTIUM</p>	<p><b>Transplant Therapeutics Consortium</b> <i>New drug development tools for transplantation</i></p>
 <p><b>MS</b> National Multiple Sclerosis Society</p>	<p><b>Multiple Sclerosis Outcome Assessments Consortium</b> <i>Drug Effectiveness in MS</i></p>	 <p><b>PTC</b> Critical Path Institute</p>	<p><b>Pediatric Trials Consortium</b> <i>Developing effective therapies for children</i></p>
 <p><b>CFAST</b></p>	<p><b>Coalition For Accelerating Standards and Therapies</b> <i>Data standards</i></p>		

- ✓ Biomarkers
- ✓ Clinical outcome assessment instruments
- ✓ Clinical trial simulation tools
- ✓ Data standards
- ✓ In vitro tools

# C-Path Core Competencies



# Development of Open Access Global Consensus Data Standards



**Therapeutic Area Data Standards  
User Guide for Alzheimer's Disease  
and Mild Cognitive Impairment**  
Version 2.0

Prepared by the  
**CFAST Alzheimer's Development Team**



**Therapeutic Area User Guide  
for Parkinson's Disease**

Prepared by  
CDISC, National Institute of Neurological  
Disorders and Strokes (NINDS) and the Coalition  
Against Major Diseases (CAMD)



**Therapeutic Area Data Standards  
User Guide for Multiple Sclerosis**  
Version 1.0

Prepared by the  
**Multiple Sclerosis Outcome Assessments Consortium and  
the CFAST Multiple Sclerosis Development Team**



**Therapeutic Area User Guide for Huntington's Disease**  
Version 1.0 (Draft)

Prepared by the  
**CFAST Huntington's Disease Standards Team**

# Neuroscience Consortia Unified Databases Available to Qualified Researchers



Alzheimer's & Dementia ■ (2015) 1-10

Alzheimer's  
&  
Dementia

Research Article

**Data Shared from 28 Trials with 6995 patients**

## Development of a unified clinical trial database for Alzheimer's disease

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MULTIPLE  
SCLEROSIS  
JOURNAL

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**Data Shared from 16 Trials with 14,430 patients**

*Original Research Paper*

## The MSOAC approach to developing performance outcomes to measure and monitor multiple sclerosis disability

Nicholas G LaRocca, Lynn D Hudson, Richard Rudick, Dagmar Amtmann, Laura Balcer,  
Ralph Benedict, Robert Bermel, Ih Chang, Nancy D Chiaravalloti, Peter Chin, Jeffrey A Cohen,  
Gary R Cutter, Mat D Davis, John DeLuca, Peter Feys, Gordon Francis, Myla D Goldman,  
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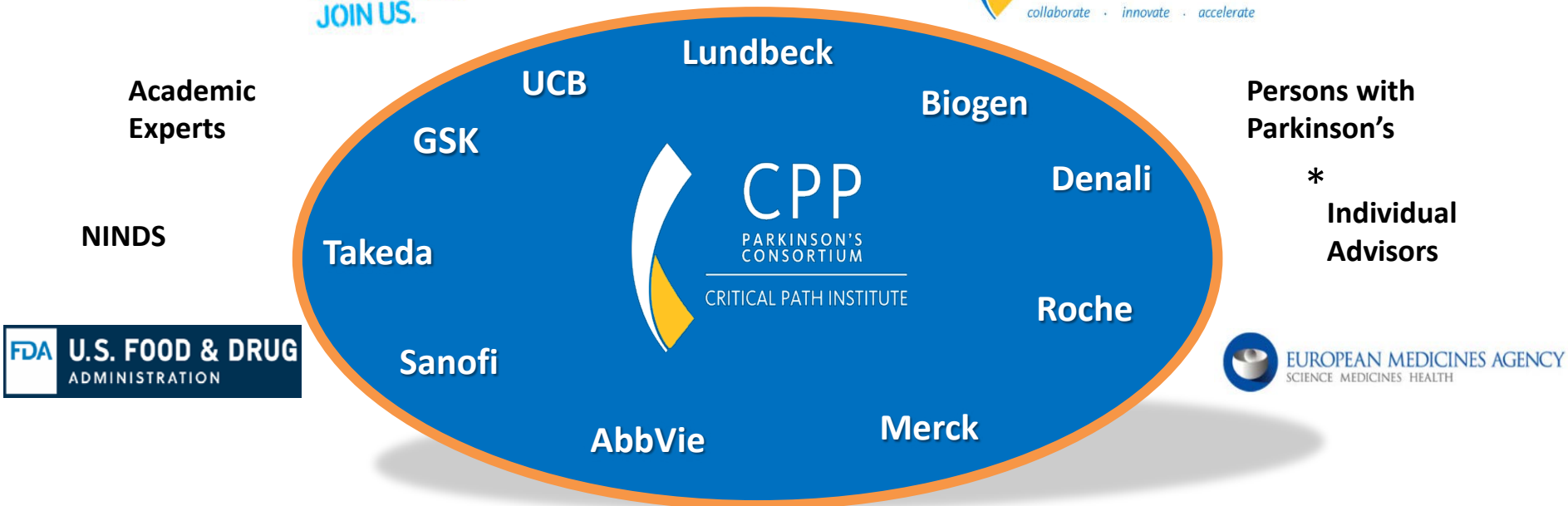


# Critical Path for Parkinson's Consortium – Accelerating therapies for PD

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## Patient-Advocacy Organizations

- Parkinson's Foundation
- Michael J. Fox Foundation
- Davis Phinney Foundation
- The Cure Parkinson's Trust

## Academic Institutions

- University of Oxford
- University of Cambridge
- Newcastle University
- University of Glasgow
- Radboud University

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## Parkinson's Disease: A Looming Pandemic

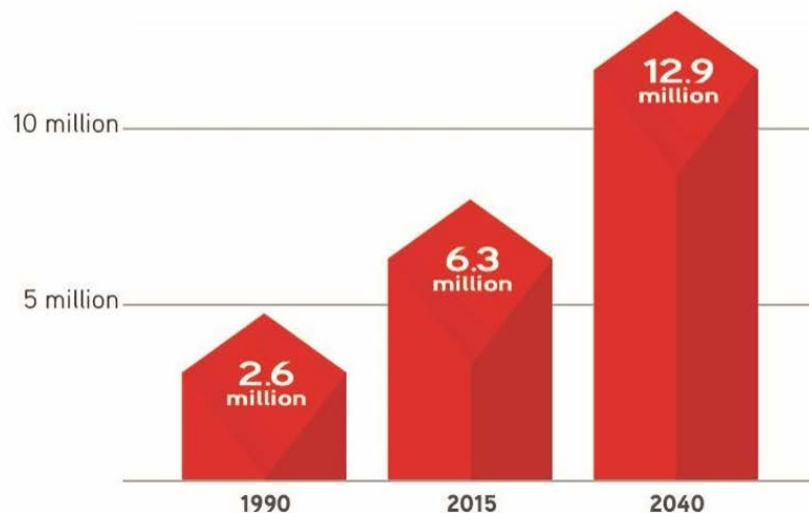
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Estimated and projected number of individuals with **PARKINSON DISEASE, 1990 - 2040**



Source: Dorsey ER, Bloem BR, The Parkinson Pandemic: a call to action. *JAMA Neurology* 2017

# We can Learn from Past Clinical Trials?

**Vitamin E**  
Antioxidant

**GPI-1485**  
Neuroimmunophilin

**Riluzole**  
Glutamate antagonist

**CEP-1347**  
Anti-apoptotic

**Paliroden**  
Stimulates NGF

**Co Q10**  
Mitochondrial enhancer

**Pramipexole**  
Dopamine agonist

**Cogane**  
Modulates GDNF & BDNF

**Creatine**  
Mitochondrial modulator

**Pioglitazone**  
PPAR- $\gamma$  agonist;  
anti-inflammatory

**Rasagiline**  
MAO-B inhibitor

**Glutathione**  
Antioxidant

**TCH346**  
Propargylamine

**Mitoquinone**  
Mitochondrial enhancer

# 'Pre-competitive' Collaboration



Working together to solve these problems and create tools that will benefit the whole community.

## VIEWPOINT

### New Drugs for Parkinson's Disease: The Regulatory and Clinical Development Pathways in the United States

Karl Kieburtz, MD,<sup>1,2</sup> Russell Katz, MD,<sup>1</sup> and C. Warren Olanow, MD<sup>1,3\*</sup>

**TABLE 1.** Selected promising therapies for PD that are in the pipeline<sup>a</sup>

Name	Sponsor	Mechanism/Indication	Stage	Regulatory Comments <sup>b</sup>
<b>Short-term benefits or "Symptomatic"</b>				
Opicapone	Bial	COMT inhibitor	III	Approved in Europe
Istradefylline	Kyowa-Kirin	A2A antagonist	III	Approved in Japan
Tozadenant	Acorda	A2A antagonist	III	505B1 pathway
CVT 301	Acorda	Inhaled L-dopa	III	505B2 pathway
APL130277	Sunovion	Sublingual apomorphine	III	Fast track
Amantadine ER	Adamas	NMDA antagonist for dysk	III	505B2 pathway
P2B001	Pharma2B	Low-dose prami/rasag combo	III	505B2 pathway
ND0612	Neuroderm	SC L-dopa/carbidopa	III	BE/505B2 pathway
Apo Infusion	USWM	Apomorphine infusion	III	505B2 pathway
Accordion pill	Intec	Long-acting L-dopa	III	505B2 pathway
PF-06649751	Pfizer	D1 agonist	IIIB	505B1
LU-AE04621	Lundbeck	D1 agonist	IIIB	505B1
SER-214	Serina	polymer-linked rotigotine	IIIB	BE/505B2 pathway
AAV2-hAADC	Voyager	AAV2-gene delivery of AADC	II	Submitted through CBER
Light therapy	Photopharmics	Altered circadian rhythm	II	Device pathway
Dopafuse	Synagile	Continuous oral L-dopa delivery	II	Drug/device (505B2)
<b>Disease modifying</b>				
Isradipine	NIH	Ca++ channel blocker	III	505B2
Inosine	NIH	Increase Urate as antioxidant	III	505B2
Nicotine Patch	Fox	Enhance nicotine levels	II	505B2
Afferis	Afferis	ImmunoRx target alpha syn	II	505B1 submitted through CDER
PRX002	Prothena	Monoclonal AB to alpha syn	IIa	505B1 submitted through CDER
BIIB054	Biogen	ImmunoRx target alpha syn	IIa	505B1 submitted through CDER
NPT 200-11	UCB	Antialpha syn aggregate	II	505B1
Nilotinib	Fox	CAI kinase inhibitor	II	505B2 (approved in leukemia)
GZ/SAR402671	Genzyme/Sanofi	GBA enhancer	II	505B1
Ambroxol	Weston Found	Enhances GCase activity	II	505B1
Exenatide	Cure PD Trust	Glucagon-like peptide 1	II	505B2
Deferiprone	APO Pharma	Iron chelator	II	505B2

**“A better appreciation of regulatory pathways and requirements by scientists, clinical investigators, and the pharmaceutical industry will likely help reduce the cost and time of Drug Development, and speed the approval process”**

# What Could We Do if We Had All the Data from Parkinson's Studies in One Place?

Data from clinical trials and cohorts



Standardization and integration



CDISC Data Standards

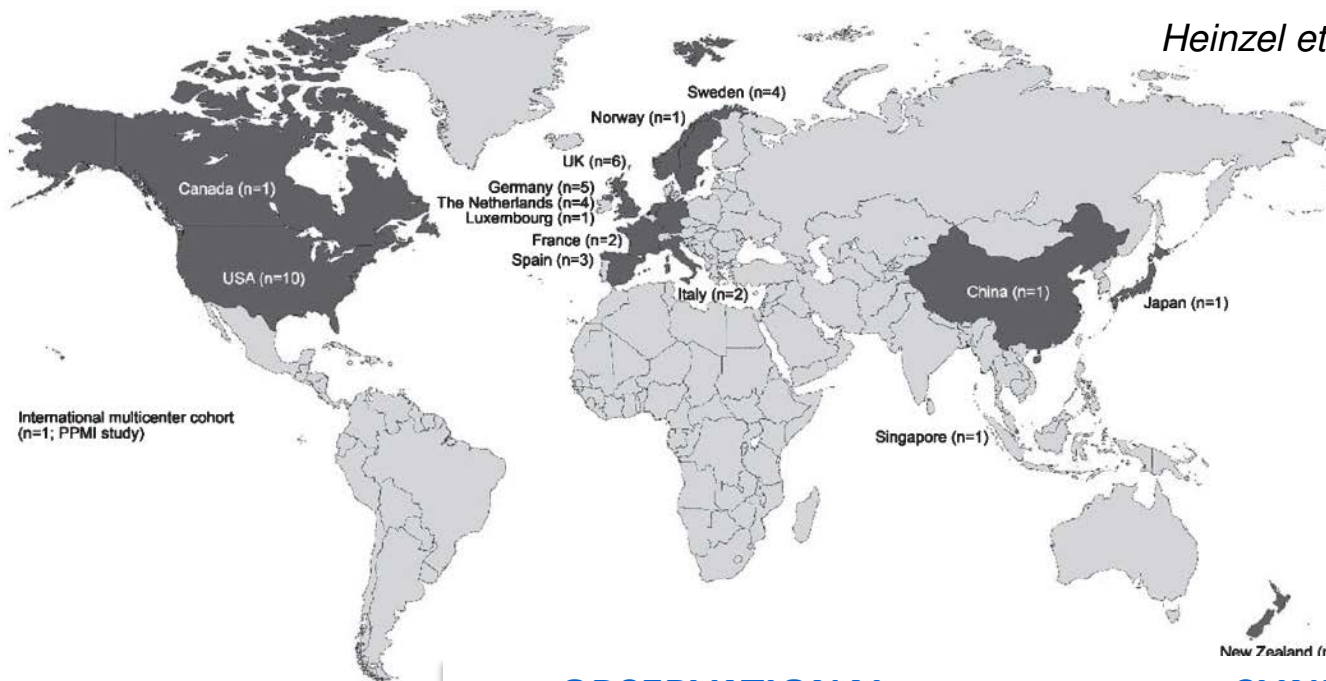


Researchers  
Regulators  
Industry



# CPP has Gathered Data from 8100 people with Parkinson's From Around the World

Heinzel et al., JPD 7(3):423-432. 2017



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## OBSERVATIONAL

PPMI (n=1223)

CamPaIGN (n=142)

OPDC Discovery Cohort (n=877)

ICICLE (n=314)

Tracking Parkinson's (n=1998)

## CLINICAL TRIALS

PRECEPT (n=806)

ADAGIO (n=1170)

DATATOP (n=800)

ELLDOPA (n=361)

FS-! (n=200)

FS-Too (n=213)

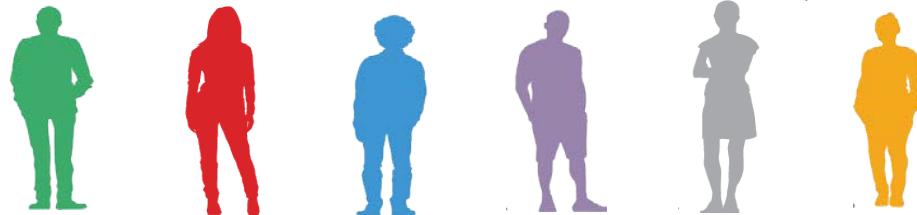
**TOTAL NUMBER OF SUBJECTS: 8104**

# Future Model of Parkinson's Therapies

**Parkinson's -  
Not all one flavor**



**Personalized Medicine  
targeted treatments**



*As modified from Alberto Espay*



# Up to 15% of People with Early Parkinson's who Take Part in Trials May Not Have the Disease



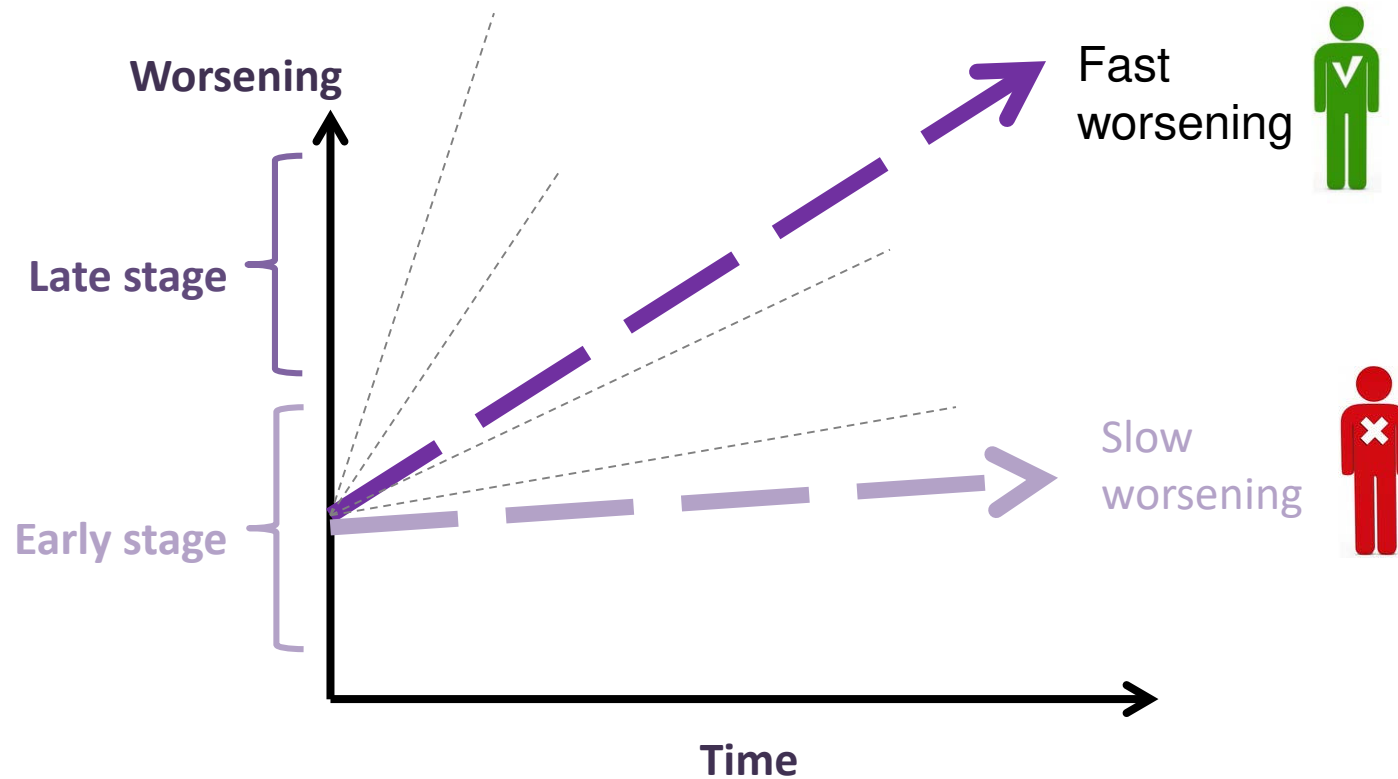
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Beach and Adler, Importance of low diagnostic Accuracy for early Parkinson's disease.

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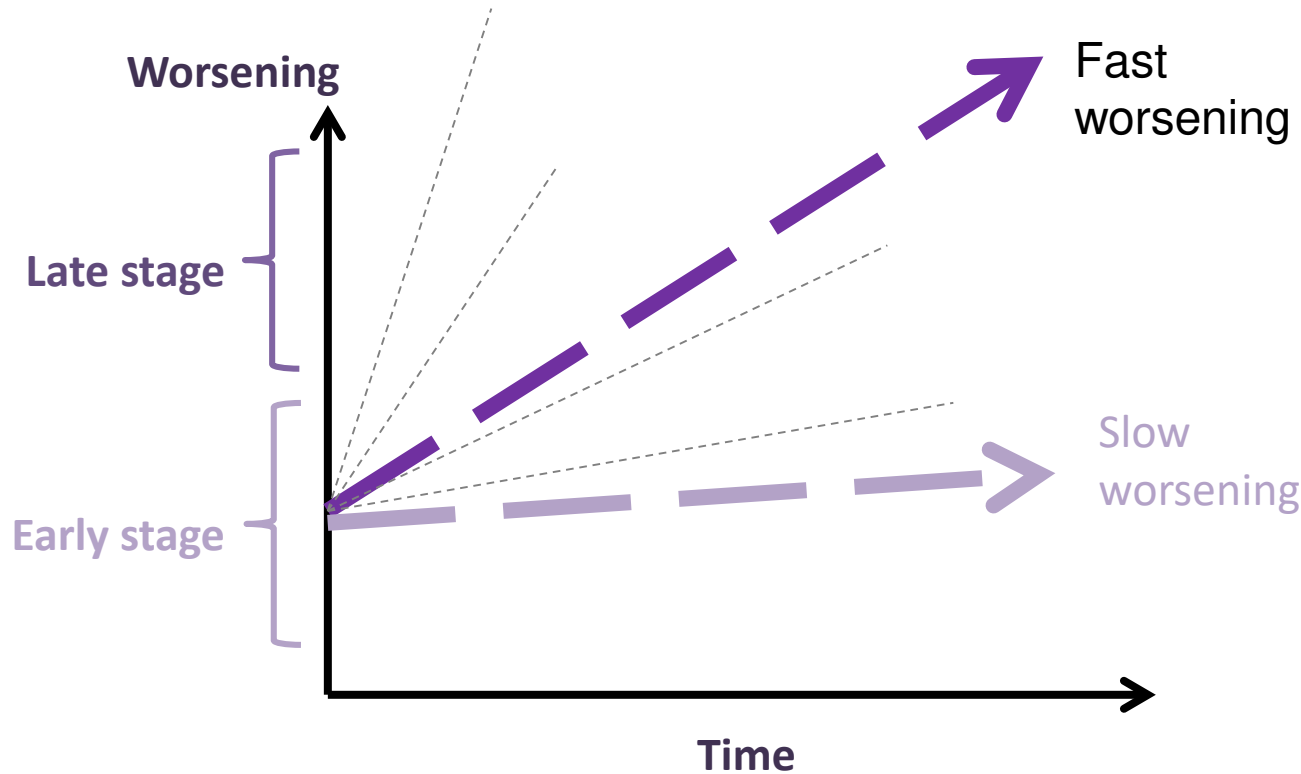
*Beth Vernaleo, Parkinson's Disease Foundation*

# Rate of Disease Progression Varies...

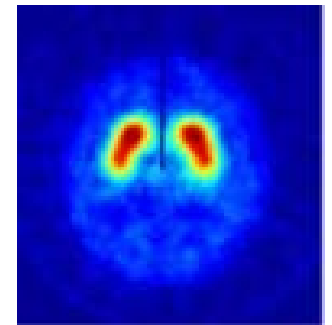
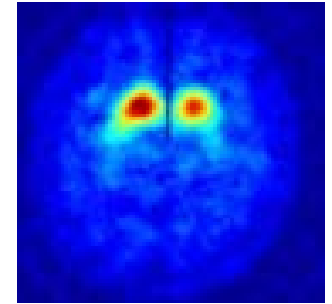


Can Biomarkers and Genetics help to determine rates of decline?

# Using Imaging to Predict the Future



DAT deficiency



SWEDD (Scans without evidence of dopamine deficiency)

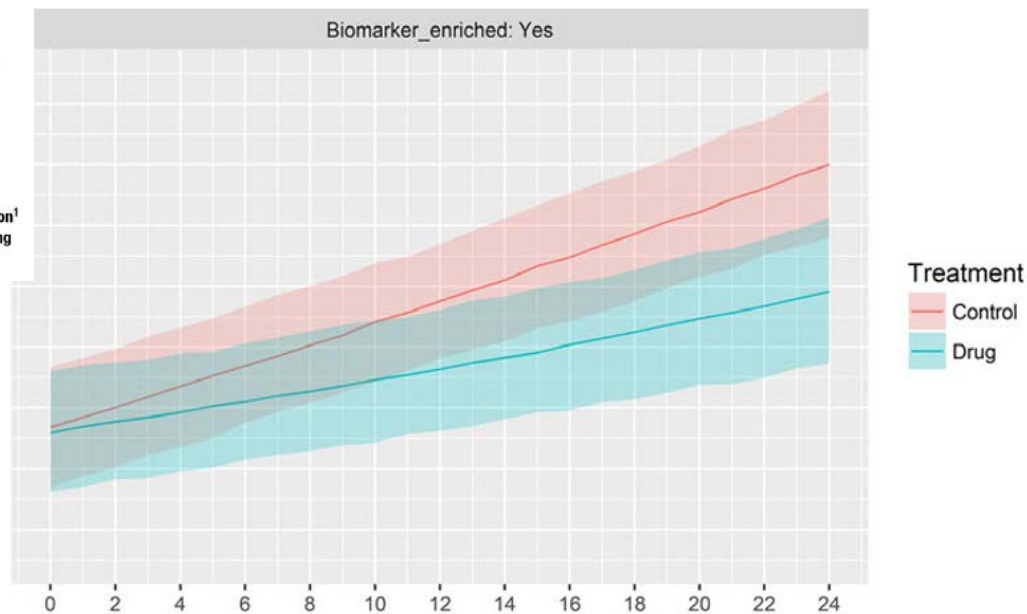
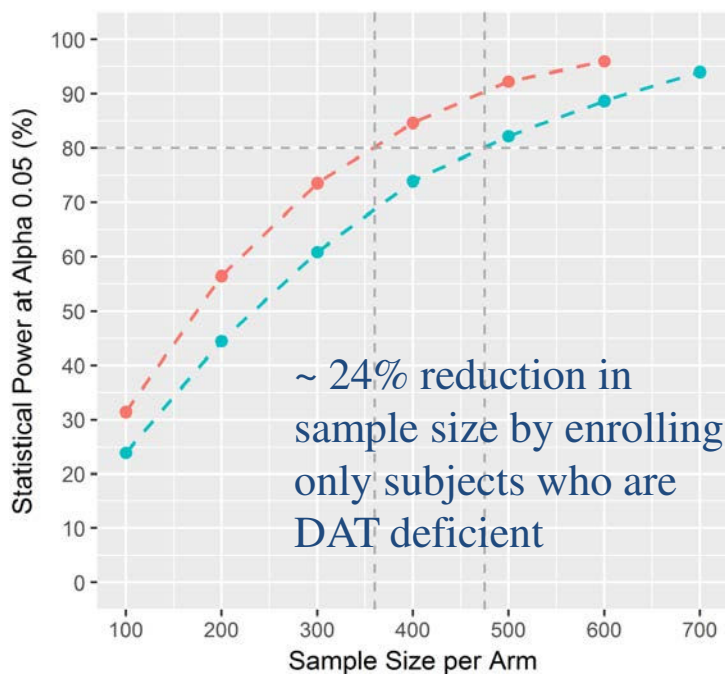
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## ARTICLE

### Dopamine Transporter Neuroimaging as an Enrichment Biomarker in Early Parkinson's Disease Clinical Trials: A Disease Progression Modeling Analysis

Daniela J. Conrado<sup>1,4</sup>, Timothy Nicholas<sup>2</sup>, Kuenhi Tsai<sup>3</sup>, Sreeraj Macha<sup>3</sup>, Vikram Sinha<sup>3</sup>, Julie Stone<sup>3</sup>, Brian Corrigan<sup>2</sup>, Massimo Bani<sup>4</sup>, Pierandrea Muglia<sup>1</sup>, Ian A. Watson<sup>5</sup>, Volker D. Kern<sup>1</sup>, Elena Sheveleva<sup>1,6</sup>, Kenneth Marek<sup>7</sup>, Diane T. Stephenson<sup>1</sup> and Klaus Romero<sup>1</sup> on behalf of the Critical Path for Parkinson's (CPP) Parkinson's Disease Modeling and Simulation Working Group

Clin Transl Sci. 2018 Jan;11(1):63-70



#### Under these assumptions:

- 24-month placebo-controlled parallel group trial.
- Enriched trial had only subjects with DAT deficit, while non-enriched trial included 15% of SWEDD.
- Drug effect of 50% reduction in the progression rate.
- Power was calculated as the proportion of trials for which the effect of treatment on progression rate was beneficial with a two-tailed  $P$ -value  $< 0.05$ .

# Using Imaging as an Enrichment Biomarker in Trials

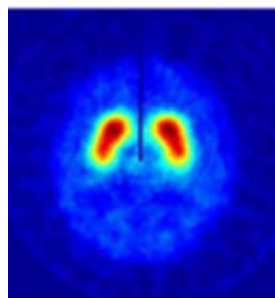
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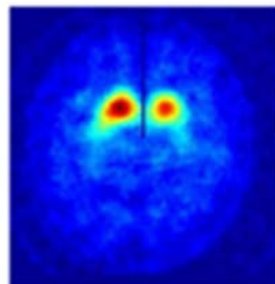
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SCIENCE MEDICINES HEALTH

29 May 2018  
EMA/CHMP/SAWP/765041/2017  
Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP)

Qualification opinion on dopamine transporter imaging as an enrichment biomarker for Parkinson's disease clinical trials in patients with early Parkinsonian symptoms



Normal brain scan (no dopamine deficiency)



Dopamine deficiency consistent with Parkinson's



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Director, CDER

Subject: Biomarker Letter of Support

U.S. Food and Drug Administration

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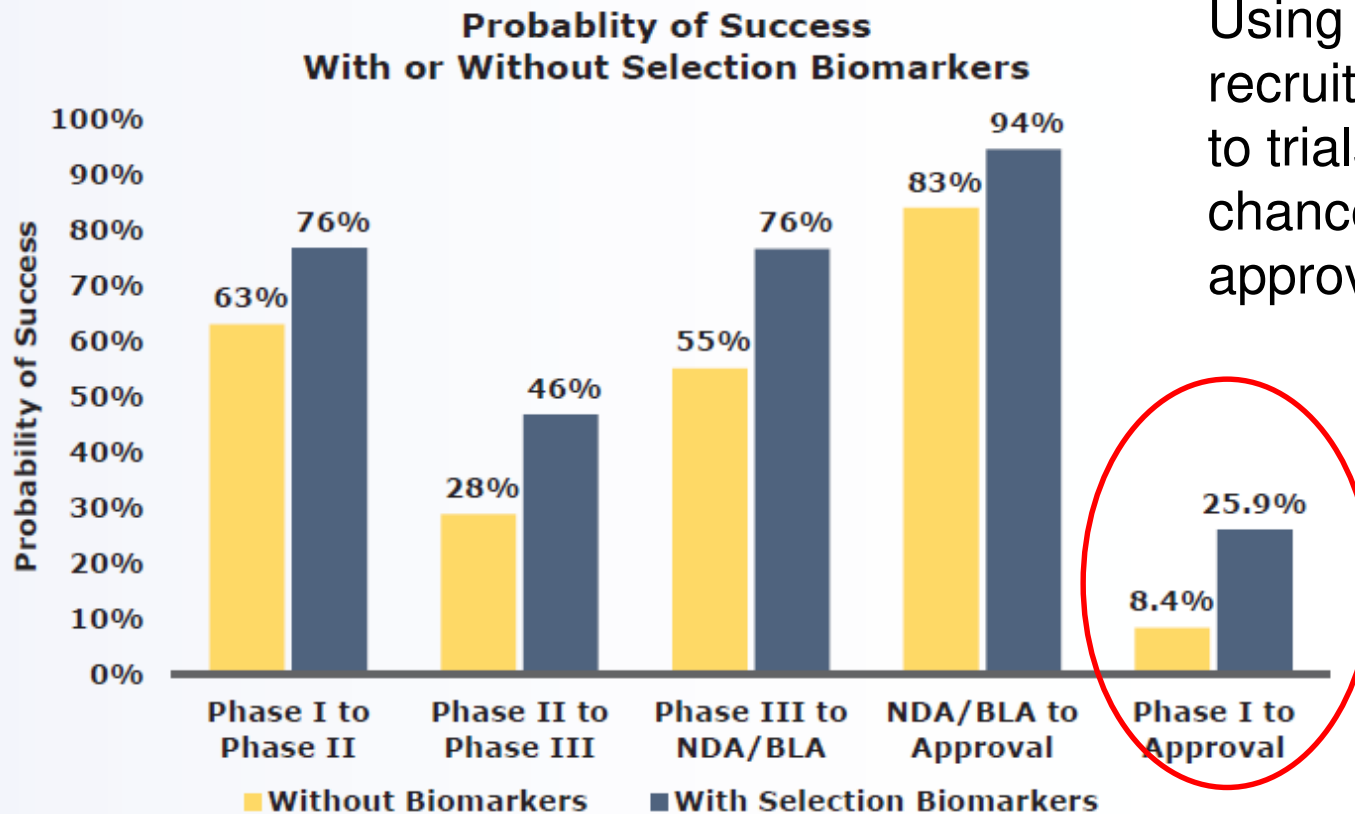
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First-ever biomarker qualified for Parkinson's is a vital step toward improved clinical trials

# What Impact Could This Make?

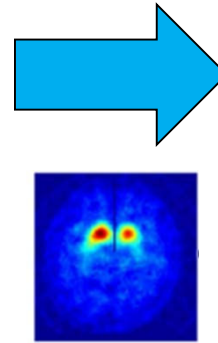


Using biomarkers to recruit the right people to trials increases chances of drug approvals.

*Amplion/BIO report, 2016*

# Critical Path for Parkinson's is Enabling Precision Medicine Strategies

Before



Now



Selecting more appropriate subjects for clinical trials will reduce the numbers needed and make trials more efficient.

# CPP Integrated Database

## Contains Rich Genetic Information

Gene	Study				
	CamPaIGN	ICICLE	Oxford	Tracking-PD	PPMI
APOE	n = 125	n = 292	n = 732	n = 1831	n = 619
COMT	n = 129	n = 293	n = 729	n = 1831	n = 915
GBA	n = 114	n = 236	n = 727	n = 1831	n = 922
LRRK 2	n = 139	n = 293	n = 725	n = 1831	n = 1184
MAPT	n = 128	n = 291	n = 735	n = 1831	n = 922
SNCA	n = 125	n = 293	n = 729	n = 1831	n = 923

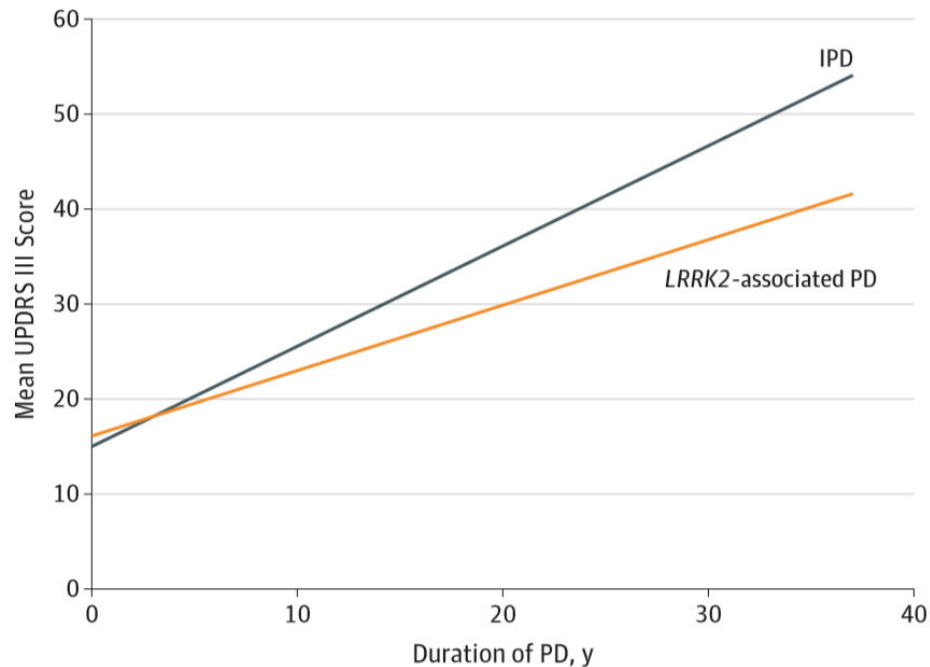
**Total number of subjects with genetic information: ~4180**



# Genetic Data Can be Used to Define PD

## Endophenotypes with Distinctive Progression Rates

Figure 1. Longitudinal Trajectories of Mean Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale III (UPDRS III) Scores for Patients With Parkinson Disease (PD) Who Carry the Leucine-Rich Repeat Kinase 2 (*LRRK2*) Mutation Compared With Patients With Idiopathic PD (IPD)

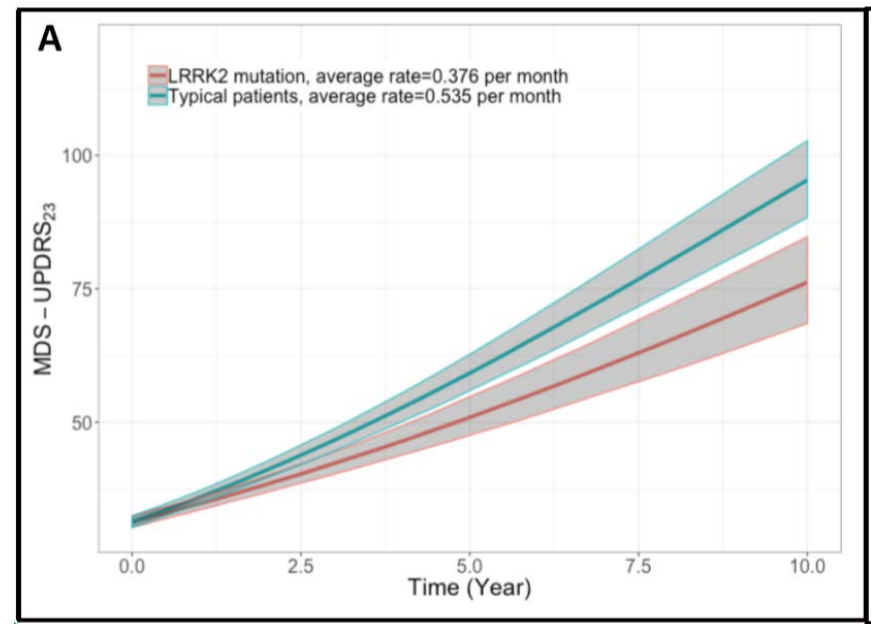


Saunders-Pullman, R., et al., (2018). Progression in the *LRRK2* -Associated Parkinson Disease Population. *JAMA Neurology*, 75(3), 312.

### Disease Progression model platform to inform efficient clinical trial design for Parkinson's Disease

Malidi Ahamadi, Merck Research Laboratories

Presentation at 9<sup>th</sup> American Conference on Pharmacometrics (ACoP9), San Diego, CA

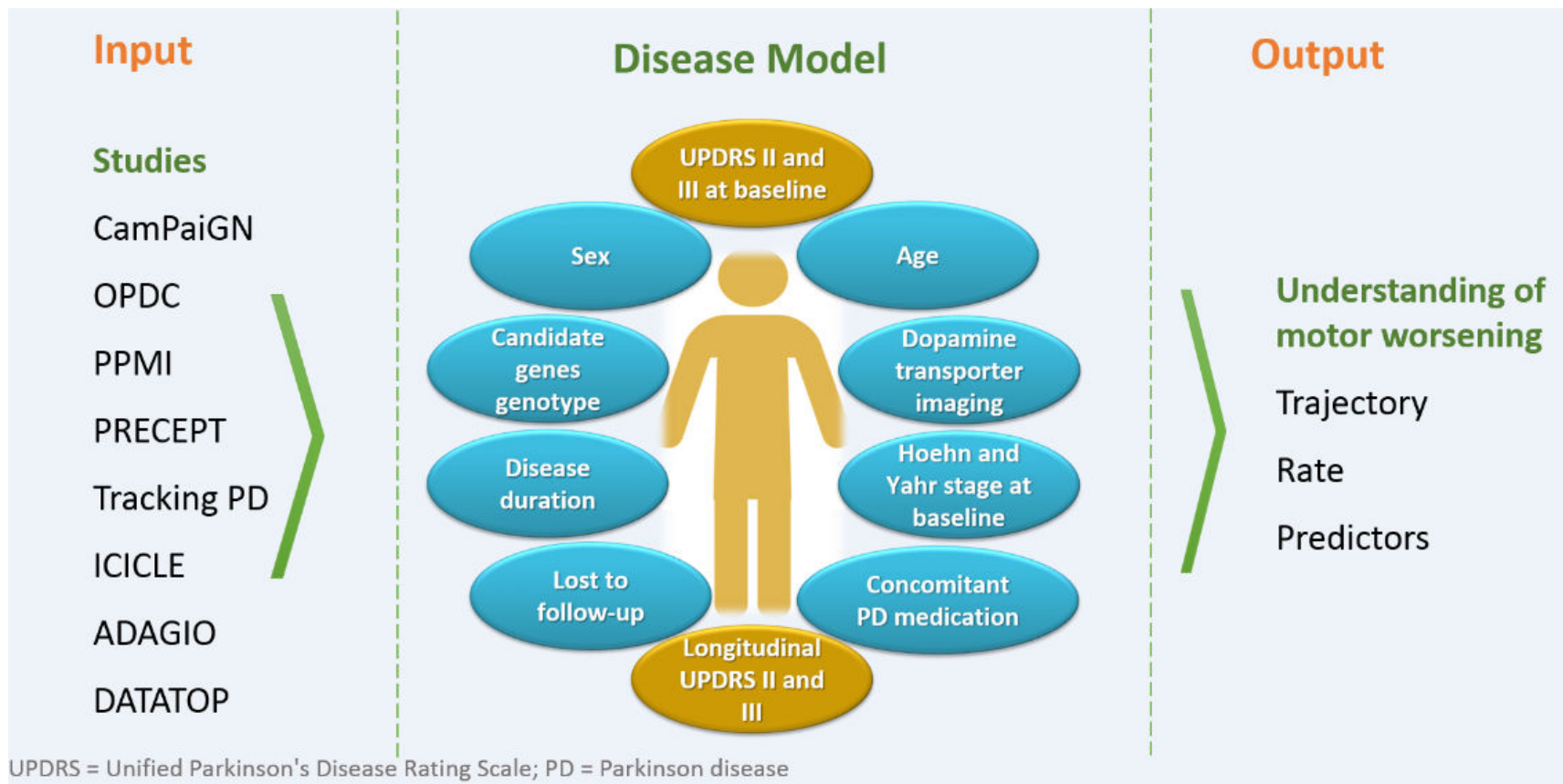


On behalf of Malidi Ahamadi, Merck  
And the CPP modeling and  
simulation team

# Development of PD Drug-Disease-Trial Model

## Model Informed Drug Development

- Using computerized models to simulate different 'what if' scenarios aimed at identifying the **right drug, right patient at the right time**



# The Future: A Trial 'Flight Simulator'?



How many participants?

What type?

What dose?

How long for?

What shall we measure?

# PD Clinical Trial Simulator— DAT imaging for enrichment

## DAT Neuroimaging-Informed Early PD Clinical Trial Simulator - Version 1.0

Simulate clinical trials on patients with early-stage Parkinson disease

[Click here for more information on this application.](#)

**Number of Subjects per Arm:**  
200

**Duration of Subjects Follow-up (Months):**  
24

**Assessment Interval (Months):**  
3

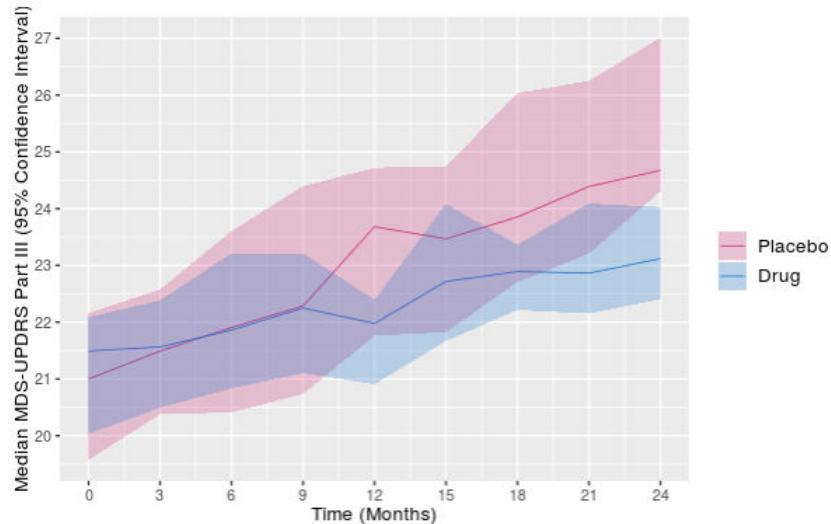
**Proportion of Subjects with SWEDD (%):**  
14

**Effect of Drug on Rate of Disease Progression (% Reduction):**  
50

**Effect of Digital Measure on Noise of MDS-UPDRS Part III (% Reduction):**  
0

**Number of Simulations:**  
10

**Simulate**



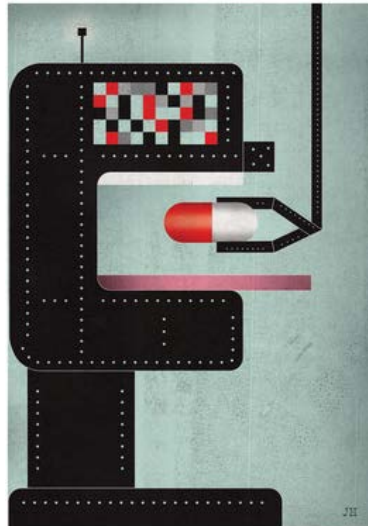
Characteristics	Values
Study Design	Placebo-Controlled Parallel Group
Total Number of Subjects	400
Study Duration (Months)	24
Assessment Interval (Months)	3
Effect of Drug on Rate of Disease Progression (% Reduction)	50
Effect of Digital Measure on Noise of MDS-UPDRS Part III (% Reduction)	0
Proportion of SWEDD (%)	14
Proportion of Female (%)	34
Median age (95% Confidence Interval) (Years)	62 (61, 63)
Number of Simulations	10
Monte-Carlo Standard Error for Calculation of Confidence Interval for Statistical Power (%)	12.6
Statistical Power (%; 95% Confidence Interval)	80 (44.4, 97.5)

# This Has Been Achieved for Alzheimer's Disease: *Other Diseases are Waiting*

## The Future Is Now: Model-Based Clinical Trial Design for Alzheimer's Disease

Clin Pharmacol Ther.  
2015 Mar;97(3):210-4

K Romero<sup>1</sup>, K Ito<sup>2</sup>, JA Rogers<sup>3</sup>, D Polhamus<sup>3</sup>, R Qiu<sup>2</sup>,  
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Neuroimaging Initiative\* for the Coalition Against Major Diseases\*\*



*“Model-based drug development was one of the goals defined in FDA’s 2004 Critical Path Initiative report, and this new tool sets the stage for applying new technologies to accelerating medical product development,”*  
*Janet Woodcock, FDA*

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### Simulators Help Build a Better Drug Trial

*Pharmaceutical firms start to use powerful computer programs to improve human testing*

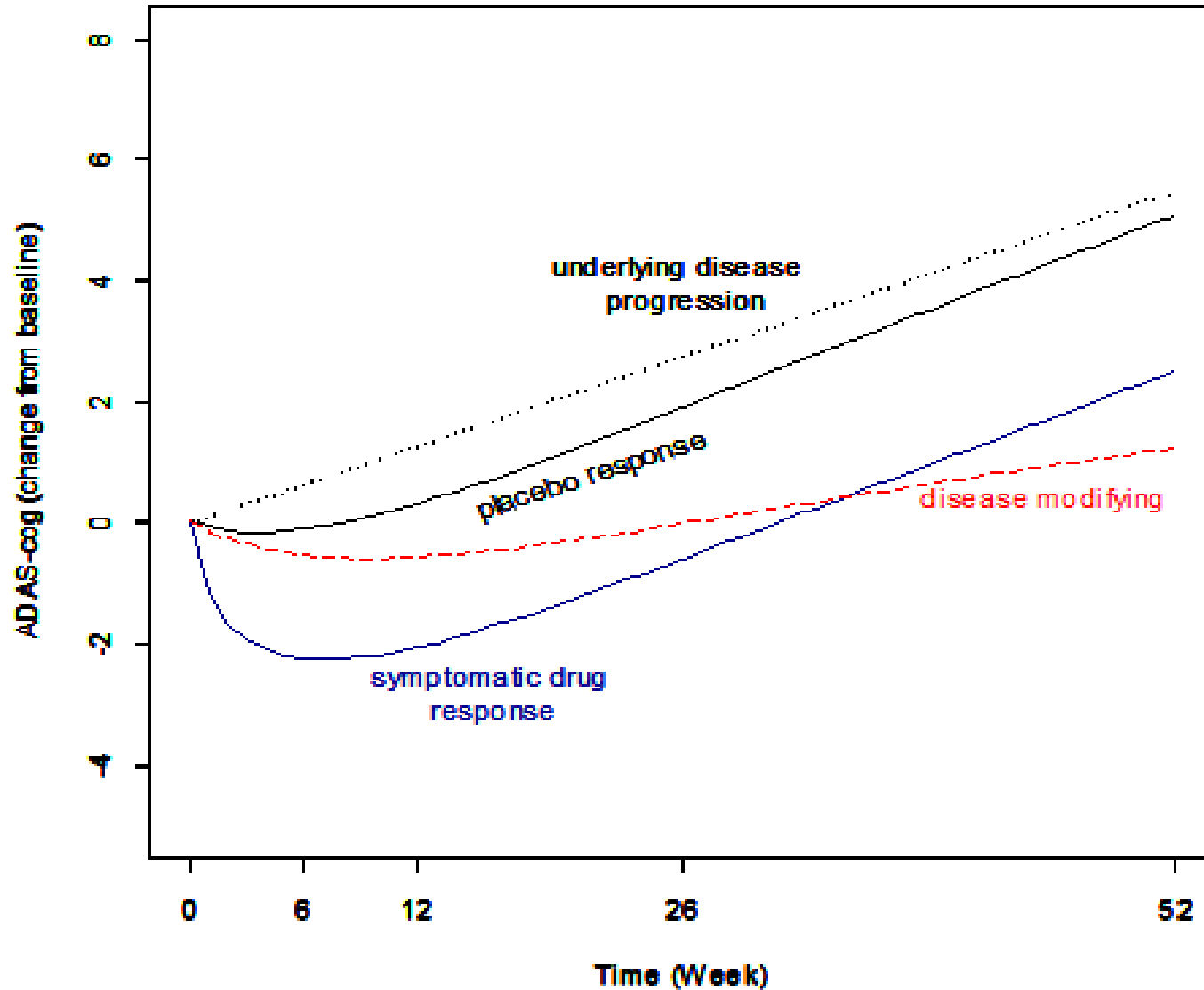
By JONATHAN D. ROCKOFF

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# AD Clinical Drug Disease Trial Model

*FDA and EMA Endorsed in 2013*

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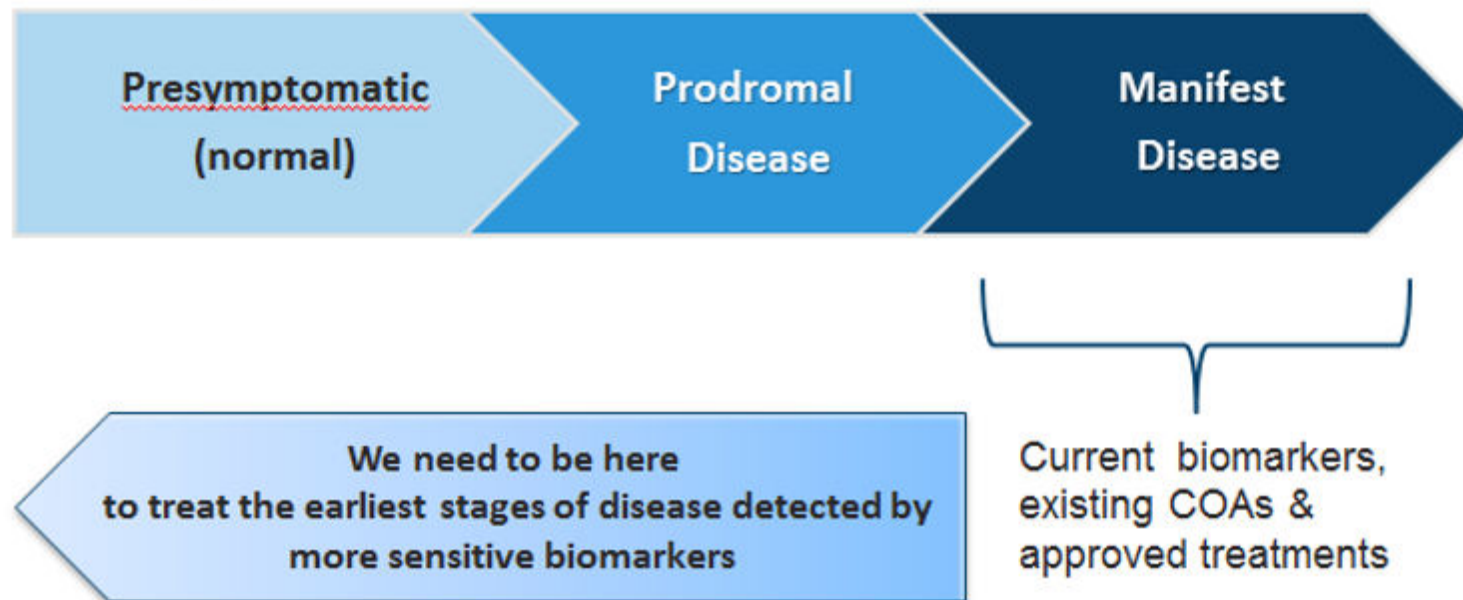
Deterioration



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# The Future Vision for Treating Nervous System Disorders

## *The Progression of Chronic CNS Diseases*



*Stephenson and Arneric,  
Translational Medicine in CNS Drug Development  
In press (Elsevier, Feltner and Nomikos Eds)*

\*COA = clinical outcome assessments



## Early Alzheimer's Disease: Developing Drugs for Treatment Guidance for Industry

### *DRAFT GUIDANCE*

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Although the issues and approaches discussed above for Stage 2 patients are relevant for Stage 1 patients, there is unfortunately at present no sufficiently reliable evidence that any observed treatment effect on such biomarker measures would be reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit (the standard for accelerated approval), despite a great deal of research interest in understanding the role of biomarkers in AD. FDA strongly supports and encourages continued research in this area and stresses its potential importance in the successful development of effective treatments appropriate for use in the earliest stages of AD. Precompetitive structured sharing across the AD scientific community of rigorously collected standardized data is a crucial component of this research. While research pursues the development of evidence sufficient to support the use of biomarker measures as the primary evidence supporting an accelerated approval, or perhaps a full approval if the fundamental understanding of AD evolves sufficiently to establish surrogacy, a possible approach to Stage 1 patients might be to conduct a study of sufficient duration to allow the evaluation of the measures discussed above for Stage 2 patients. As patients transition to Stage 2 during participation in the trial, the principles applicable to outcome assessment for Stage 2 would apply.

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# Remarkable Advances in Huntington's Disease: A Flagship Disease for Early Intervention

## Features

DRUG DEVELOPMENT

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# A new day for Huntington's disease

First agents to possibly slow or even reverse the disease enter clinical trials

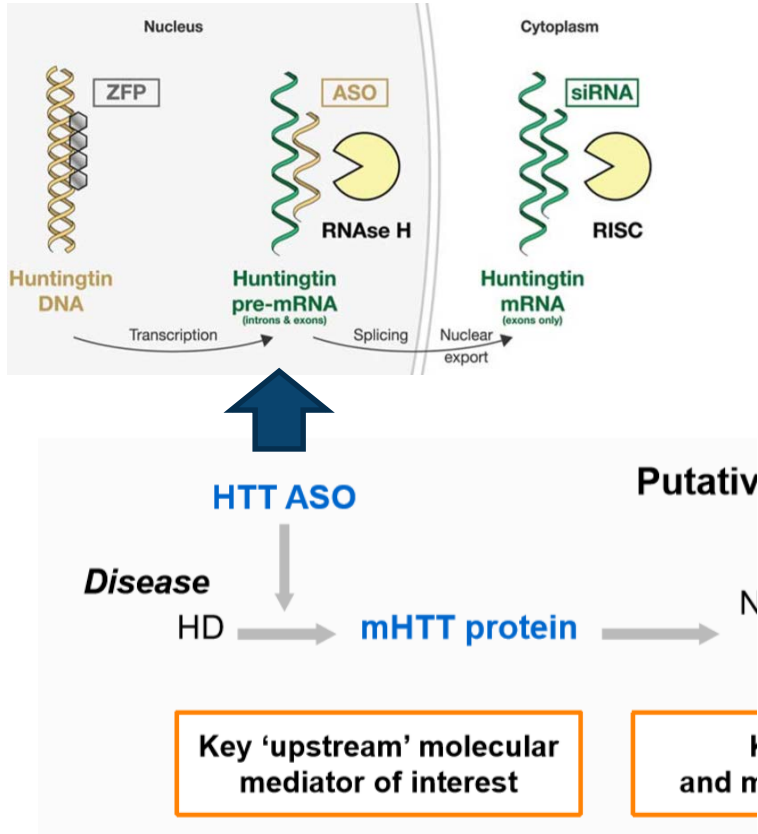


TABLE 1 | SELECT LIST OF POTENTIALLY DISEASE-MODIFYING HUNTINGTON DRUGS IN DEVELOPMENT

Drug	Sponsor	Properties	Status
RG6042	Roche/Ionis Pharmaceuticals	HTT-lowering antisense	Phase III
WVE-120101	WAVE Life Sciences/Takeda	mHTT-lowering antisense	Phase I/II
WVE-120102	WAVE Life Sciences/Takeda	mHTT-lowering antisense	Phase I/II
AMT-130	uniQure	HTT-lowering miRNA	IND
VY-HTT01	Voyager Therapeutics/Sanofi/CHDI Foundation	HTT-lowering miRNA	IND in 2019
HTT Program	Excicure	HTT-targeted spherical nucleic acids	Preclinical
VX15	Vaccinex	Anti-semaphorin 4D mAb	Phase II

cognitive, oral and measures

digital measures

Tom S. Schobel  
presentation  
and Tabrizi, 2014

# C-Path's Newest Consortium

## Huntington's Disease Regulatory Science Consortium



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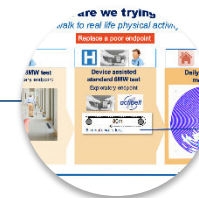
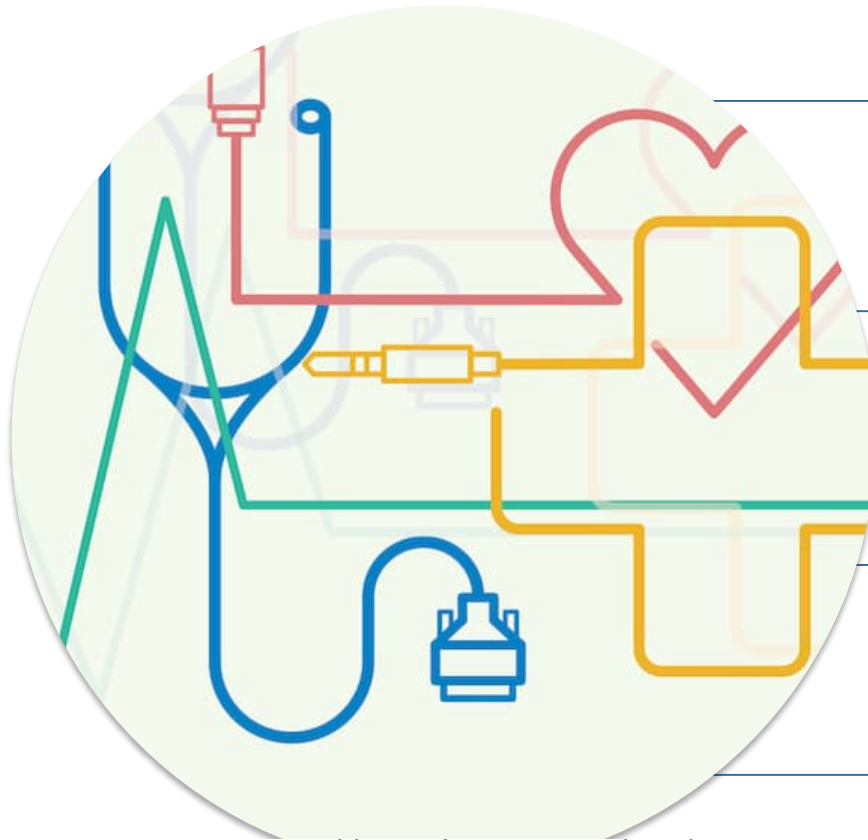
### Therapeutic approaches to Huntington disease: from the bench to the clinic

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Nat Rev Drug Discovery

***“With clinical trials for many of these approaches imminent or currently ongoing, the coming years are promising not only for HD but also for more prevalent neurodegenerative disorders, such as Alzheimer and Parkinson disease, in which many of these pathways have been similarly implicated.”***





Replace Poor Endpoints



Reduce Patient Burden and Cost



Increase measurement accuracy



Validate to regulatory standards

## Viewpoint – Review

### The First Frontier: Digital Biomarkers for Neurodegenerative Disorders

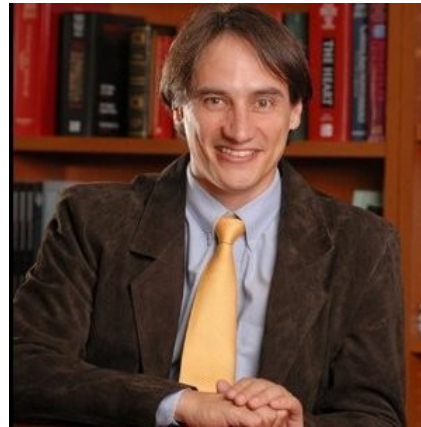
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