

Q&A Videos



In a further effort to extend our reach and visibility, a series of interviews was recorded at the CDRC Annual Meeting from key stakeholders within the Collaboratory. Check out **Raghav Tirupathi, MD, FACP, FRCP(Lon), FIDSA**, Medical Director, Keystone Infectious Diseases. Dr. Tirupathi took time for a quick Q&A at C-Path's 2023 CDRC Annual Meeting. In this chat, Raghav discusses how CDRC and the CURE ID app can best impact patients' lives, details a treatment obstacle he had to overcome, and more. Check it out (and feel free to share it on social).

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IRDiRC Drug Repurposing Guidebook: making better use of existing drugs to tackle rare diseases

The International Rare Diseases Research Consortium (IRDiRC) has developed a new guidebook to invigorate drug repurposing for rare diseases.

Annelien Hechtel Jonker, Simon Day, Michela Gabaldo, Heather Stone, Martin de Kort, Daniel J. O'Connor & Anna Maria Gerolina Pasmoosj 



Drug repurposing has often been suggested as a key solution for developing more therapies for the estimated 6,000–8,000 rare diseases¹. This strategy can be attractive because of its potential to develop therapies in a more efficient and cost-effective way compared to de novo drug discovery approaches, by building on existing knowledge about key characteristics of

Making better use of existing drugs to tackle rare diseases

Heather Stone from FDA represented CURE ID/CDRC on this initiative, Co-authored the publication, and ensured that information about the platform and PPP are available in the journal article and guidebook.

This guidebook, authored by the IRDiRC Task Force “Drug Repurposing Guidebook”

(<https://lnkd.in/ebQxRBeB>), facilitates drug repurposing for rare diseases by organizing available tools into a standardized framework. The Task Force worked for 18 months with more than 25 experts from the field of RD to help reach the IRDiRC goal 2: '1000 new therapies for rare diseases will be approved, the majority of which will focus on diseases without approved options' by 2027 (<https://lnkd.in/eevF5C4S>).

For more information:
<https://irdirc.org/>

NORD Summit



Heather Stone presented on a panel at the NORD Summit about The Potential Impact of Drug Repurposing for Rare Disease. The panel answered many different questions on drug repurposing for Rare Disease. "95% of rare disease patients lack approved treatments. The most logical thing to think about is maximizing the potential of the drugs we already have."

Others on the panel included: Jennifer Butler (Solaxa), Bruce Bloom (Kabuki Syndrome Foundation), Tracey Sikora (EveryCure), and Nicola Longo (University of

IDWeek & ASTMH



Thank you to all who visited us at IDWeek and ASTMH! We were thrilled to see many new and old faces at both conferences. Thank you to all who submitted cases, downloaded the app, and registered as a user. We look forward to future collaboration.

Events

Connective Tissue Oncology Society (CTOS) Annual Meeting

Nov 1 - 4, 2023 at The Convention Centre Dublin, Dublin, Leinster, Ireland.

The Connective Tissue Oncology Society was formed in 1995 and incorporated in 1997. CTOS is an international group comprised of physicians and scientists with a primary interest in the tumors of connective tissues. The goal of the society is to advance the care of patients with connective tissue tumors and to increase knowledge of all aspects of the biology of these tumors, including basic and clinical research. CDRC team members will be in attendance.

Please [click here](#) to register.

BioNJ's Patient Advocacy Summit

November 16th, Princeton, New Jersey

In its eighth year, BioNJ's Patient Advocacy Summit is taking place November 16 at Bristol Myers Squibb. With topics requested by the Patient advocacy community, we hope you join us for this important conversation!

The Summit will bring together Patients, Patient Advocacy Groups, Caregivers, Clinicians and R&D Professionals for a day of Education, Engagement and Empowerment. Attendees will gain valuable tools and insights, share best practices and meet key stakeholders within the health care ecosystem. Join us for this dynamic and educational discussion that will leave us all inspired and armed with new tools to make a difference on behalf of Patients! CDRC team members will be in attendance.

Please [click here](#) to register.

INFOCUS 2023

November 15th- 18th, Brazil

Welcome to the 21st INFOCUS, which will be held in Iguazu Falls, Brazil, the largest waterfall system in the world. INFOCUS or The Latin American Forum of Fungal Infections in Clinical Practice was created 21 years ago, and at present constitutes the main scientific event on fungal infections in Latin America. The INFOCUS annual meeting enables Clinicians, Microbiologists, Pharmacists, Biomedical and other Health Professionals to discuss and update everything related to fungal infections. **Keyla Tumas**, FDA-NCATS Translational Science Interagency Fellow, will present on CURE ID's work to gather case reports on drug repurposing for the treatment of implantation mycoses and will share the launch of our new implantation mycosis case report form, now live on [CURE ID](#).

Please [click here](#) to register.

16th Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation in Health

December 10th-13th, Arlington, VA

This December, individuals on the frontlines of dissemination and implementation (D&I) science will convene to ensure that evidence is used to inform decisions that will improve the health of individuals and communities. Through a combination of plenaries, concurrent sessions, poster presentations, and workshops, the 16th Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation in Health, co-hosted by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and AcademyHealth, supports the collective understanding of the research agenda, puts forth new findings, and identifies research priorities to set the field up for the next decade. CDRC team members will be presenting.

Please [click here](#) to register.

Trending Articles

[Targeting Dalbavancin Inoculum Effect: Adjunctive Single Dose of Daptomycin](#)

Awareness Month

**U.S. Antibiotic
Awareness
Week**

November 18-24, 2023

**November is
Alzheimer's Awareness
Month!**



CURE ID/CDRC Social Media Ambassador

Looking to become a social media ambassador?

CURE ID is looking to recruit individuals interested in help promoting our web-based app. The platform enables healthcare providers to share their real-world experiences treating patients with repurposed drugs. We currently have 20 social media ambassadors and looking to expand.

This is an unpaid position but can win CURE ID/CDRC swag.

This is a competitive opportunity to bring on more followers, tweets, discussion posts, and win some swag!

If interested please reach out to cbassetti@c-path.org



Be Heard

Tell Your Drug Repurposing Story in 2023

Our Impact stories share the value and impact C-Path's and CDRC's work brings to patients, patient organizations, drug developers, the academic community, regulators and more. Enjoy and share! [Impact Stories | Critical Path Institute \(c-path.org\)](#)

Reach out to the Communication and Patient Engagement Manager, Claire Bassetti at cbassetti@c-path.org if interested in sharing your story through an Impact Story.

Joining the CDRC



The CURE Drug Repurposing Collaboratory (CDRC) is a public-private partnership initiated in June 2020 by C-Path and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in partnership with the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS), part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

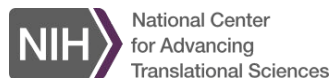
If interested, please feel free to get involved with the CURE Drug Repurposing Collaboratory (CDRC), here: <https://c-path.org/cdrc>

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