

Participant Involvement: USA

International Rare Disease Research Consortium
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Why are we here?

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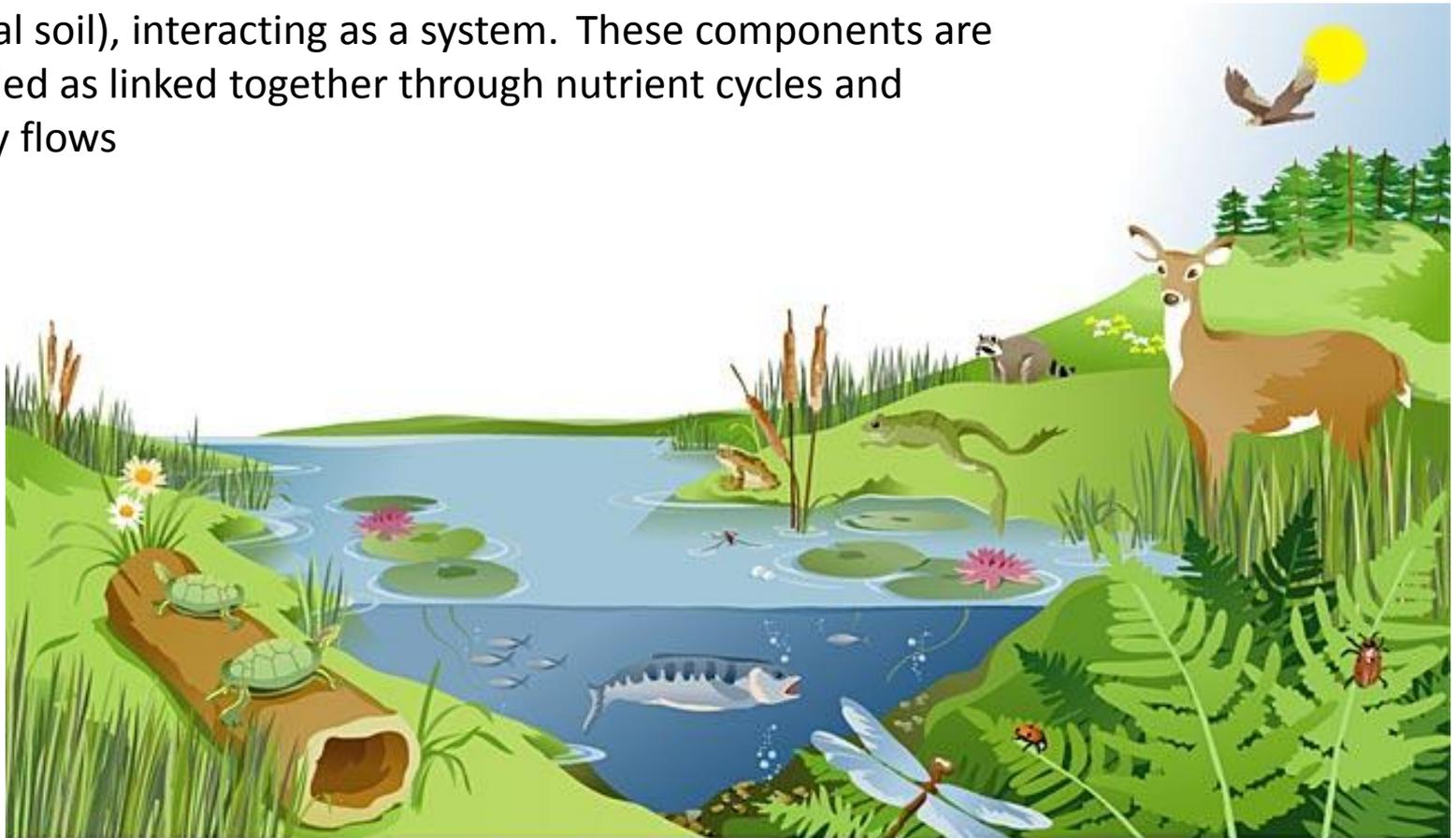


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Why are we here?

A **drug development ecosystem** is a community of **stakeholders** (universities, companies, patient organizations, patients, government organizations) in conjunction with the nonliving components of their environment (**things like regulations, economic factors, reimbursement potential**), interacting as a system. These components are regarded as linked together through **clinical research** cycles and **funding** flows

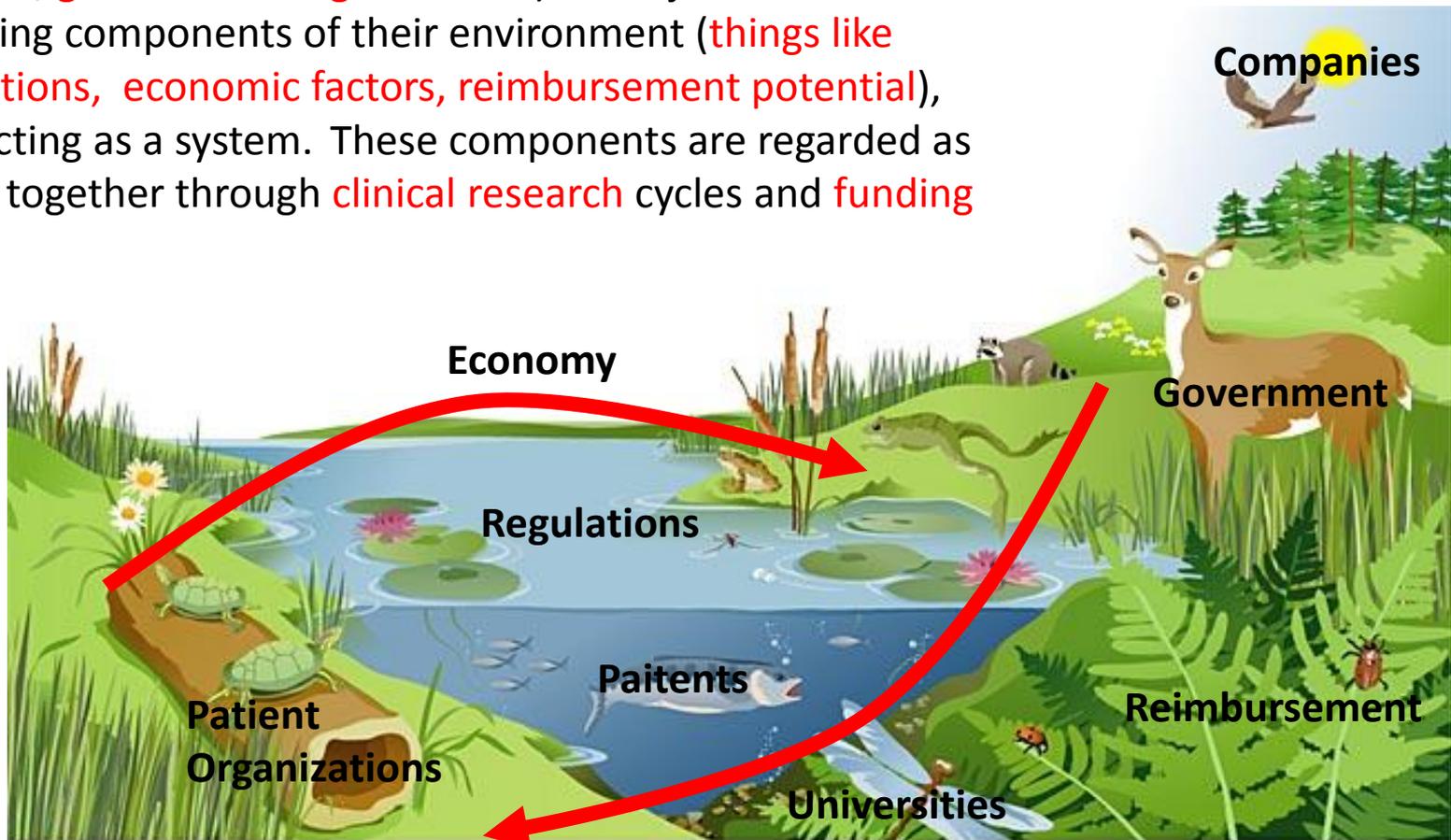


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Challenges in Rare Genetic Disease Research

- Limited participants
- Variable disease phenotyping
- Limited bio- sample & data repositories
- Fragmentation / lack of scale
- Limited privacy & data security
- Limited funding → limited research
- Poor feedback to participants



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Our Approach

Create a Commodity to:

- **Organize a Community**
- **Leverage & Offer Funding**
- **Coordinate Research & Studies**
- **Coordinate Communications**
- **Focus on Clinical Significance**



**Elizabeth and Ian
diagnosed with
pseudoxanthoma
elasticum (PXE)**

1994

2014

**Elizabeth:
Teach for America**

**Ian:
Organic Farmer**





PXE

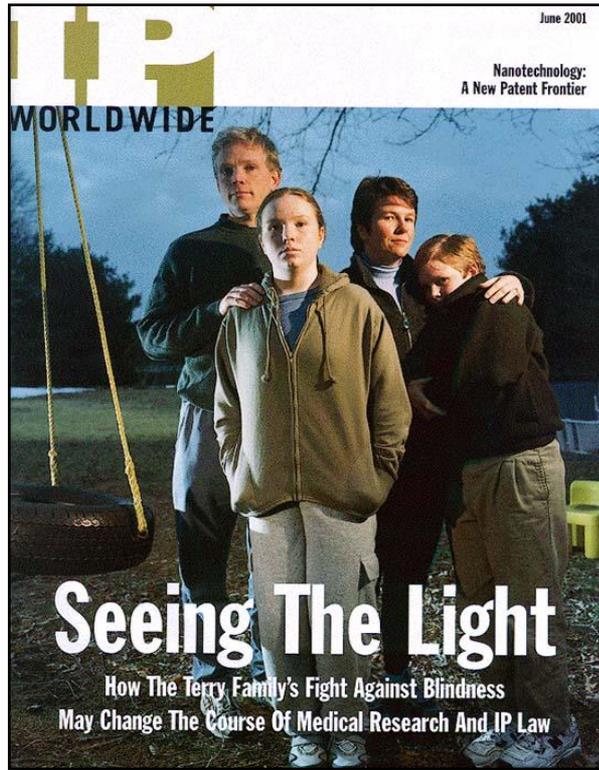
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Gene Discovery

BioBank

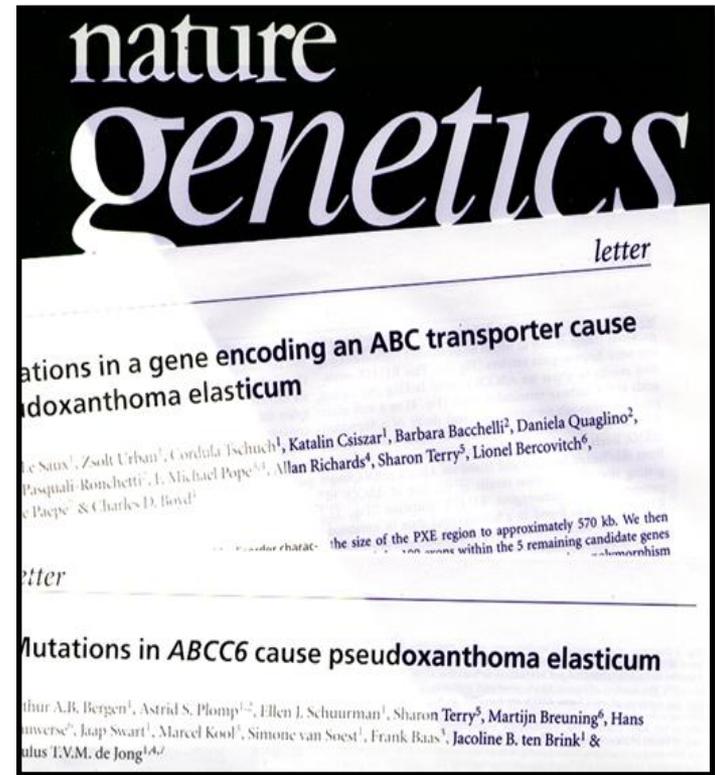
Testing

Clinical
Diagnostic
Test
Development
via FDA & CLIA
Regulatory
Strategies



Patenting

Licensing & Intellectual Property Management



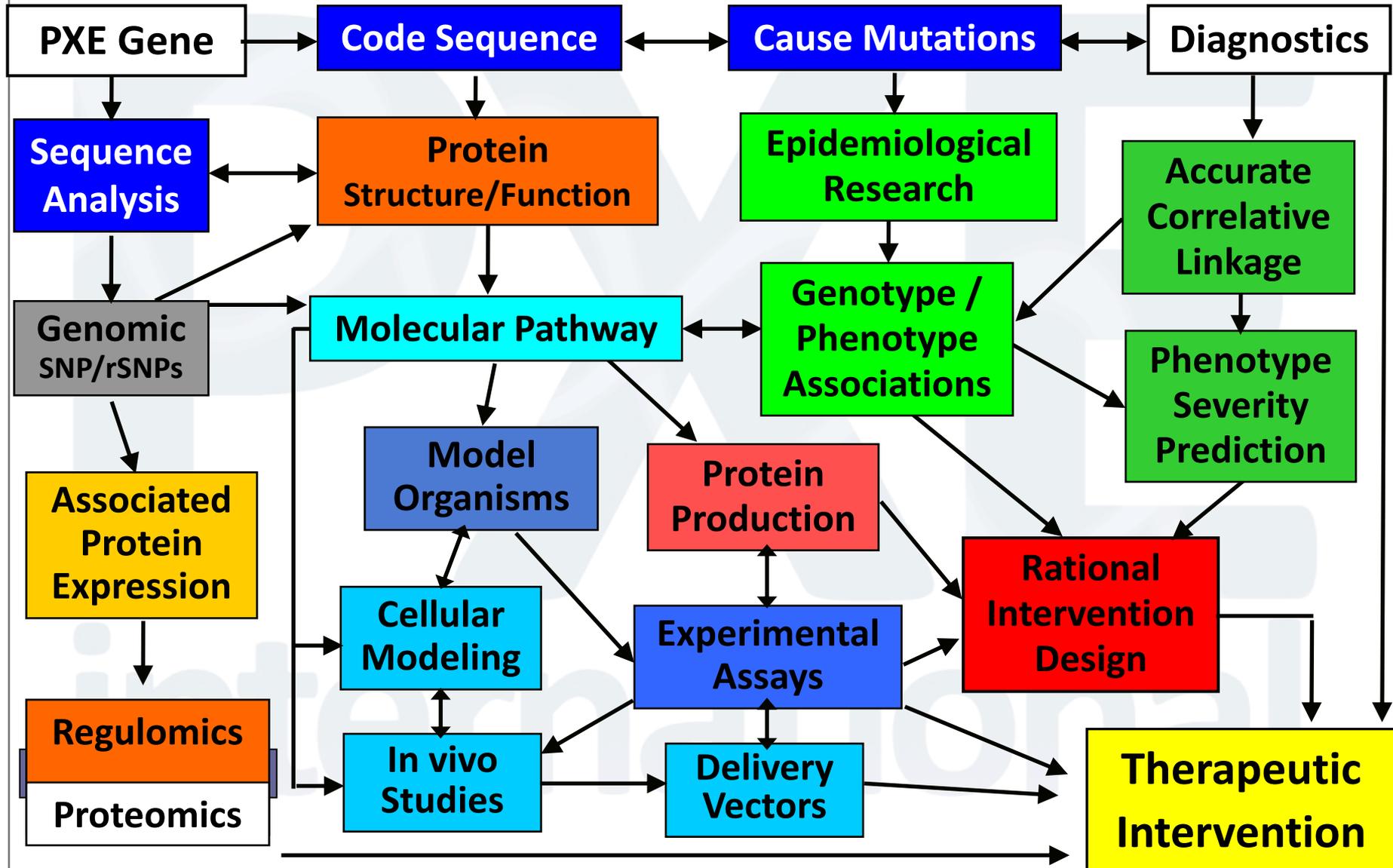
Human Clinical Trials

Drug Screening & Development Approaches

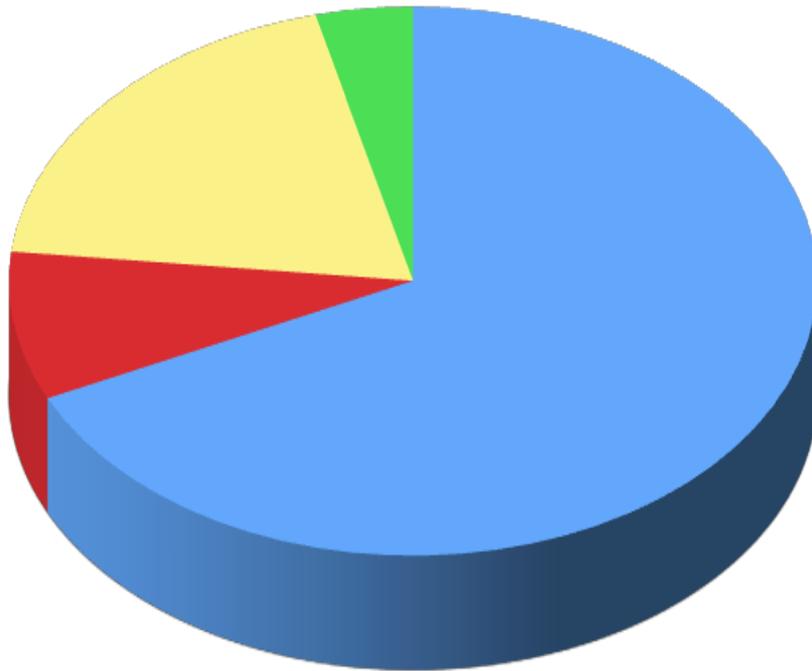
Therapeutics

- Small Molecules
- Nonsense mutants

20 Years Into Project Plan



Spending



- Research
- Clinician Education
- Patient Education
- Administrative

- 1995 Incorporation
- Nonprofit Advocacy Foundation
- Raised/Invested ~\$2,800,000
- Leveraged ~\$19,000,000 Federal Funds
- Gene & Diagnostic Patents
- Animal Model
- Clinical Genetic Testing
- Human Clinical Intervention Trials
- Drug Discovery Screening Program

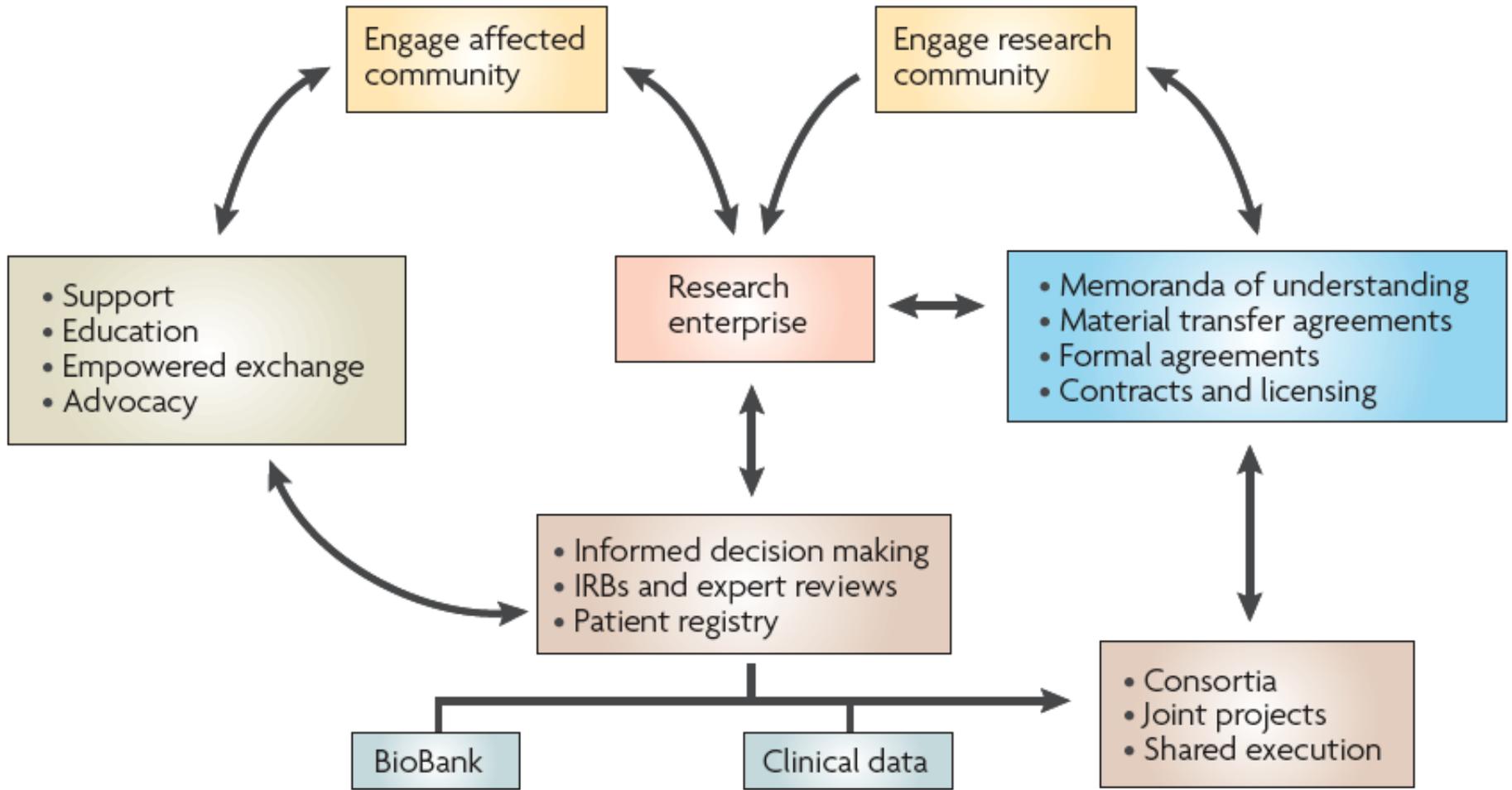


Figure 1 | **The PXE International strategy.** PXE International uses a variety of approaches to bring the PXE community together with research scientists to accelerate translational research. IRB, institutional review board.

Terry SF, Terry PF, Rauen K, Uitto J, Bercovitch L. Advocacy Organizations as Research Organizations: the PXE International example. Nature Reviews Genetics. 2007 Feb; Vol. 8, No. 2

PXE international

PXE: Taming the disease through industrialized translational research - scale, focus and collaboration.



PXE International Consortium:

- **Research Management**
- **Secure Informatics Infrastructure**
- **Genomic Sample & Data Bank**
- **Collaborative Research Projects**
 - **Correlative Science**
 - **FDA Diagnostic Kit**
- **Scientific & Commercial Partnerships**



Pediatric Symposium: Focus on Pediatric Rare Diseases

November 6, 2014

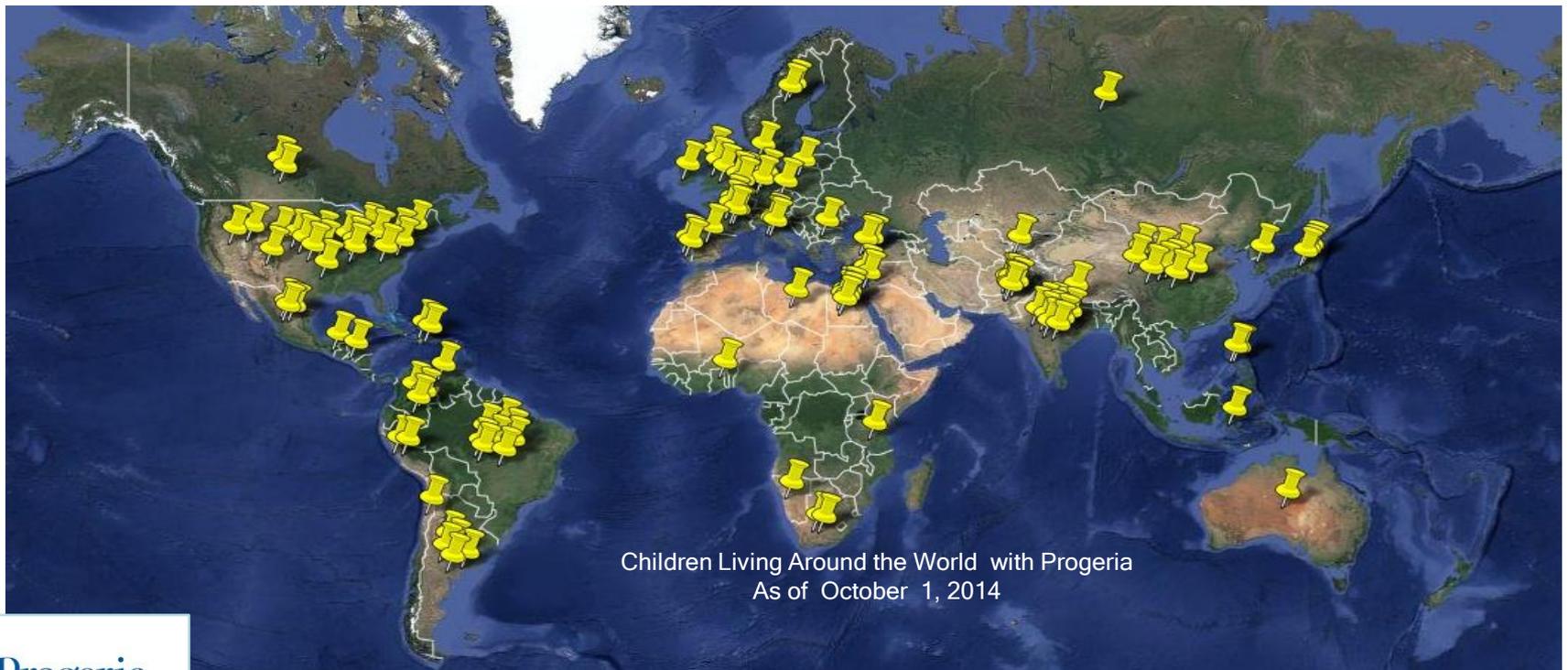


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Audrey Gordon, Esq.
President, Executive Director - The Progeria Research Foundation

PRF-Identified Cases Reside In 43 Countries

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|-----------|----------------|--------------------|-----------|--------|-----------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| Argentina | Chile | Dominican Republic | Guatemala | Israel | Namibia | Poland | Spain | Turkey |
| Australia | China | Egypt | Honduras | Italy | Nepal | Portugal | Sweden | USA |
| Belgium | Colombia | England | India | Japan | Pakistan | Russia | Tajikistan | Venezuela |
| Brazil | Czech Republic | France | Indonesia | Libya | Peru | South Africa | Tanzania | |
| Canada | Denmark | Germany | Ireland | Mexico | Philippine s | South Korea | Togo | |



...and Speak 28 Languages

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|---------|---------|------------|------------|---------|---------|
| Arabic | English | Indonesian | Marathi | Swahili | Turkish |
| Chinese | French | Italian | Polish | Swedish | Urdu |
| Czech | German | Japanese | Portuguese | Tagalog | Uzbek |
| Danish | Hebrew | Kannada | Russian | Tajik | |
| Dutch | Hindi | Korean | Spanish | Telugu | |

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مؤسسة أبحاث الشيخا

早衰症研究基金會

Progeria रिसरच फाउंडेशन

早老症研究財団



조로증 연구 재단

Progeria Araştırma Vakfı

прогерии исследовательский фонд

Our History, Our Future...

 1999: No research, No awareness, No knowledge

 2003: Gene Discovery – The doors of science are flung open

 2007: First Trial – A drug is identified as a potential treatment

 2012: First Treatment – Trial results show the drug benefits children's cardiovascular status

 2014: Longer Life - Time reveals the first treatment shows increased estimated lifespan

 ONGOING: Discovering better treatments and a cure

PRF Programs: Collaborations For Success



BROWN
Alpert Medical School



BROWN
School of Public Health



RUTGERS



Hasbro Children's Hospital
The Pediatric Division of Rhode Island Hospital
A Lifespan Partner

PREVENTION > **GENETICS**

DISEASE PREVENTION THROUGH GENETIC TESTING



Boston Children's Hospital

Until every child is well™

NIH

National Institutes of Health
Turning Discovery Into Health

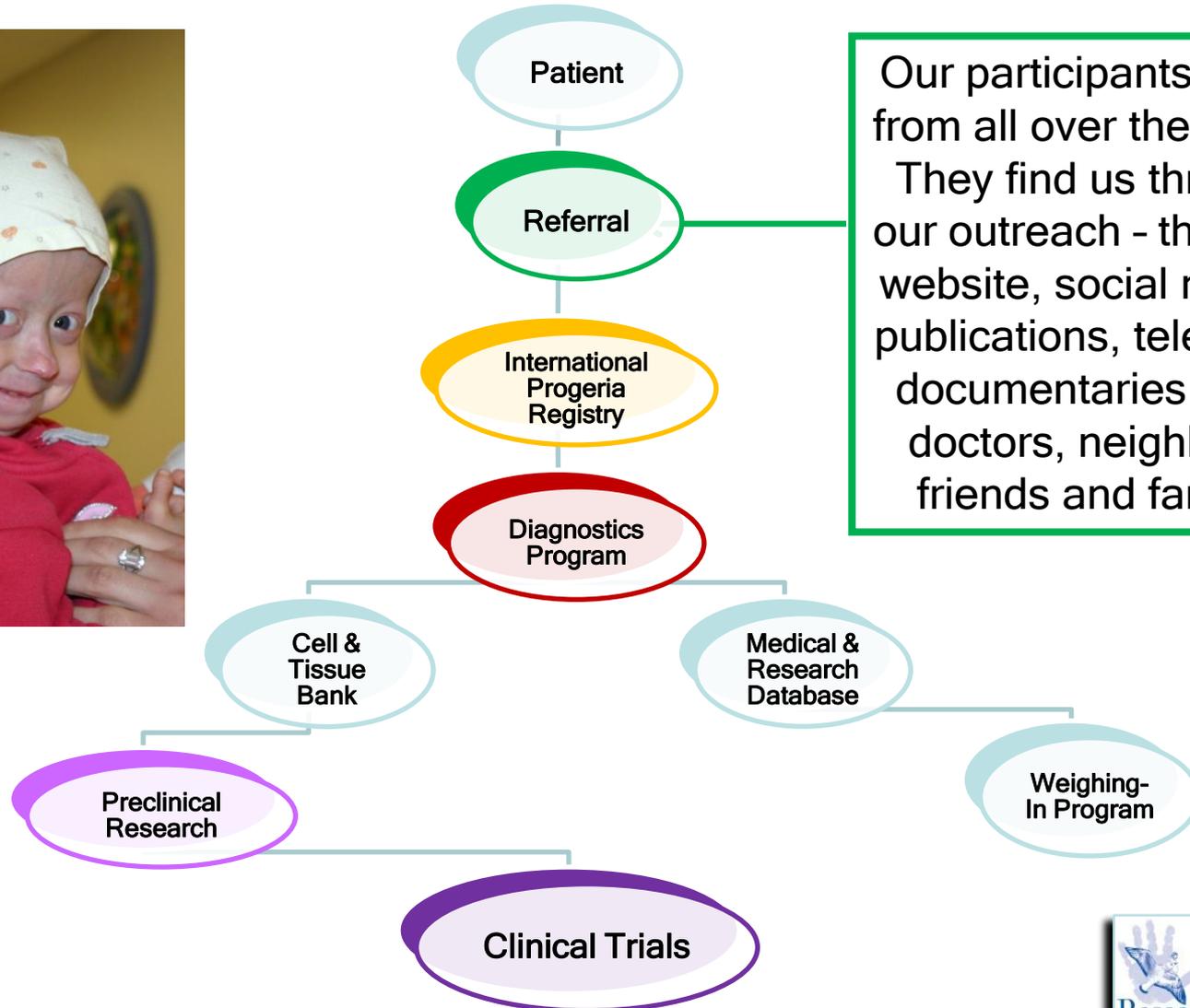


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BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL
A Teaching Affiliate of Harvard Medical School

PRF Programs: It All Starts With The Children

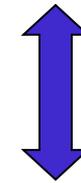


Our participants come from all over the world. They find us through our outreach - the PRF website, social media, publications, television documentaries, their doctors, neighbors, friends and family.

Growth of Global Interest in Progeria Research

Research Grants:

54 projects (\$6 million) to
51 researchers in **10** countries

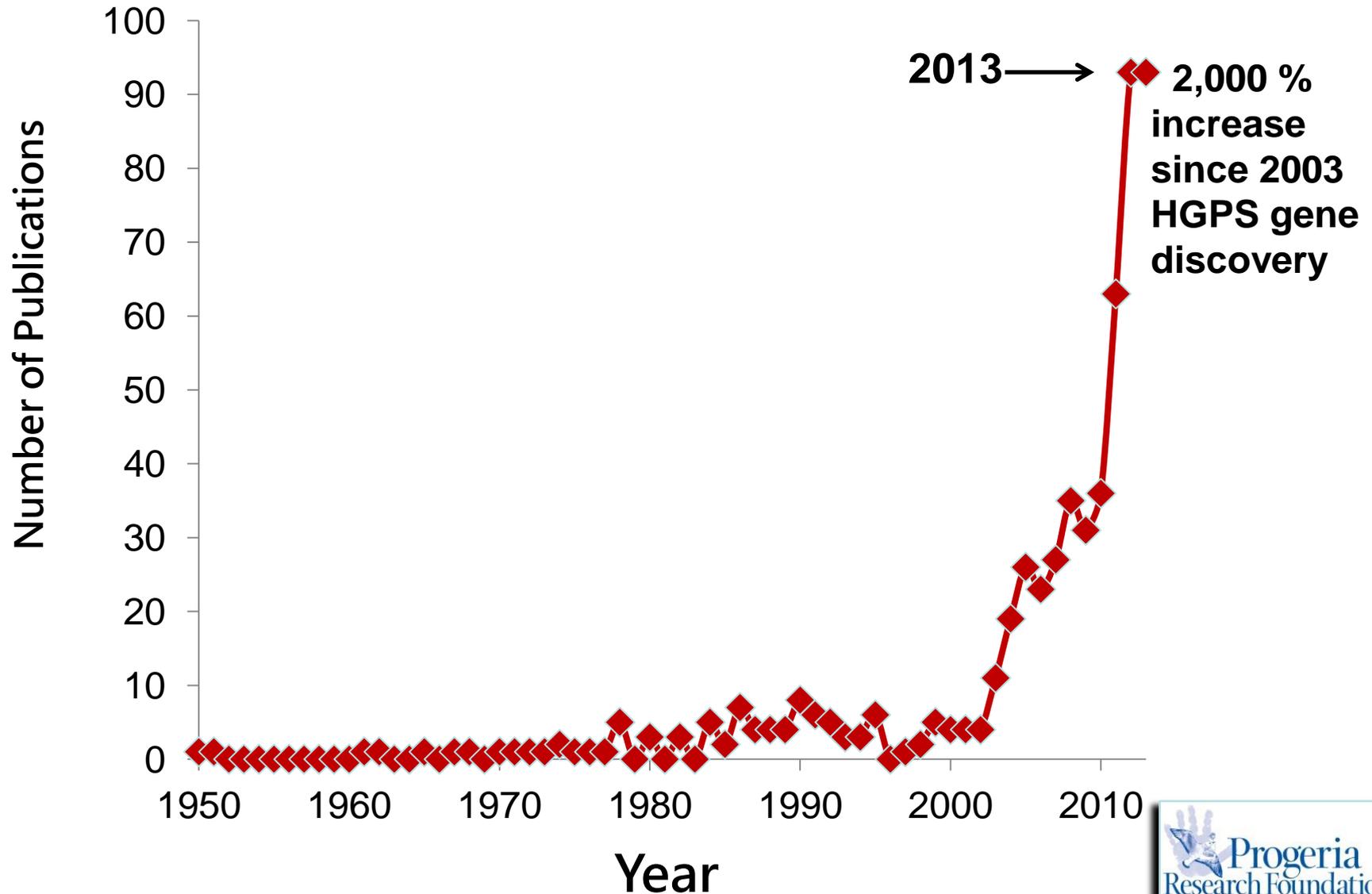


Scientific Workshops:

11 International
conferences
(30-40% participation
increase)



Progeria Publications Trend



PRF -Funded Clinical Treatment Trials

| Year | Drug | Phase | Location | # | Countries |
|-----------|--|-------|----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| 2007-2010 | Lonafarnib | 2 | Boston | 28 | 17 |
| 2009 | Lonafarnib Pravastatin Zoledronate | 1/2 | Boston | 5 | 1 |
| 2009-2013 | Lonafarnib Pravastatin Zoledronate | 2 | Boston | 45 | 24 |
| 2014 | Lonafarnib | 2 | Boston | Enrolling up to 80/ 35 | |

Clinical Treatment Trial Publications

As of October 1, 2014:

-  **Dermatology:** Initial Cutaneous Manifestations of Hutchinson-Gilford Progeria Syndrome – *Pediatric Dermatology*, 2014,1-7.
-  **Drug Effect:** Neurologic Features of Hutchinson-Gilford Progeria Syndrome after Lonafarnib Treatment – *Neurology*, 2013, 81:427-430.
-  **Drug Effect:**, Clinical Trial of a Farnesyltransferase Inhibitor in Children with Hutchinson-Gilford Progeria Syndrome, Gordon et al, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 2012 Sep 24.
-  **X-ray:** A Prospective Study of Radiographic Manifestations in Hutchinson-Gilford Progeria Syndrome, Cleveland et al,, *Pediatric Radiology*, 2012 Sep;42(9):1089-98. Epub 2012 Jul 1.
-  **Cardiology:** Mechanisms of Premature Vascular Aging in Children with Hutchinson-Gilford Progeria Syndrome. Gerhard-Herman M, et al., *Hypertension*. 2012 Jan;59(1):92-97; Epub 2011 Nov 14.
-  **Skeleton:** Hutchinson-Gilford progeria is a skeletal dysplasia. Gordon,et al., *J Bone Miner Res*. 2011 Jul;26(7):1670-9.

CPAG

Coalition of Patient Advocacy Groups

Collectively, the Coalition of Patient Advocacy Groups (CPAG) represents the perspective and interests of all patient advocacy organizations associated with the clinical research consortia. Through collaboration, patient advocacy groups and researchers can make faster progress toward new treatment options and cures, which can improve the lives of all persons and families affected by a rare disease. [Learn More >](#) | [CPAG Committee Roster](#)

News

Featured Links

- [NORD](#)
- [NIH Office of Rare Diseases](#)
- [Genetic and Rare Diseases Information Center \(GARD\)](#)
- [Genetic Alliance](#)
- [AARDA](#)
- [OOPD/FDA](#)

Rare Diseases Advocacy Groups

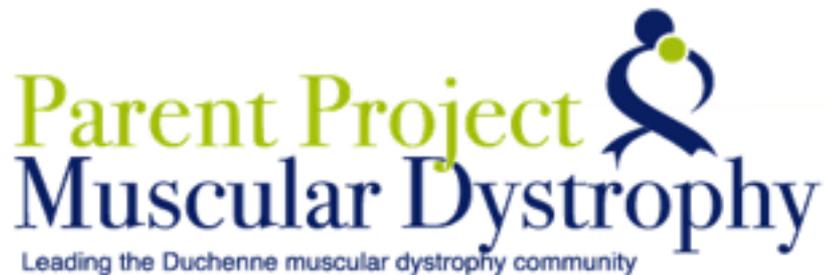
Click on a Rare Diseases Network Consortium to see corresponding advocacy groups:

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|---|--|---|---|
|  Angelman, Rett, and Prader-Willi Syndromes Consortium |  Genetic Disorders of Mucociliary Clearance Consortium |  Porphyrias Consortium |  Urea Cycle Disorders Consortium |
|  Autonomic Rare Diseases Clinical Research Consortium |  Inherited Neuropathies Consortium |  Primary Immune Deficiency Treatment Consortium (PIDTC) |  Vasculitis Clinical Research Consortium |
|  Brain Vascular Malformation Consortium |  LDN Lysosomal Disease Network |  Rare Kidney Stone Consortium | |
|  Chronic Graft Versus Host Disease Consortium (CGVHD) |  NEPTUNE: Nephrotic Syndrome Rare Disease Clinical Research Network |  Salivary Gland Carcinomas Consortium | |
|  Dystonia Coalition |  North American Mitochondrial Diseases Consortium |  STAIR: Sterol and Isoprenoid Diseases Consortium | |

| Organization | PI | Condition | Proposed PPRN Population Size |
|--|-------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Accelerated Cure Project for Multiple Sclerosis | Robert McBurney | Multiple Sclerosis | 20,000 |
| American Sleep Apnea Association | Susan Redline | Sleep Apnea | 50,000 |
| Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center | Peter Margolis | Pediatric Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis | 15,000 |
| COPD Foundation | Richard Mularski | Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease | 50,000 |
| Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America | R. Balfour Sartor | Inflammatory Bowel Disease (Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis) | 30,000 |
| Global Healthy Living Foundation | Seth Ginsberg | Arthritis (rheumatoid arthritis, spondyloarthritis), musculoskeletal disorders (osteoporosis), and inflammatory conditions (psoriasis) | 50,000 |
| Massachusetts General Hospital | Andrew Nierenberg | Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) and Bipolar Disorder (BP) | 50,000 |
| Univ of California, San Francisco | Mark Pletcher | Cardiovascular health | 100,000 |
| University of South Florida | Rebecca Sutphen | Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer (HBOC) | 17,000 |

...in both rare and common disorders

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|---|-------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| ALD Connect, Inc | Florian Eichler | Adrenoleukodystrophy | 3,000 |
| Arbor Research Collaborative for Health | Bruce Robinson | Primary Nephrotic Syndrome (Focal Segmental Glomerulosclerosis [FSGS], Minimal Change Disease [MCD], and Membranous Nephropathy [MN] Multiple Sclerosis | 1,250 |
| Duke University | Laura Schanberg | Juvenile Rheumatic Disease | 9,000 |
| Epilepsy Foundation | Janice Beulow | Aicardi Syndrome, Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome, Phelan-McDermid Syndrome, Hypothalamic Hamartoma, Dravet Syndrome, and Tuberous Sclerosis | 1,500 |
| Genetic Alliance, Inc | Sharon Terry | Alström syndrome , Dyskeratosis congenital, Gaucher disease, Hepatitis, Inflammatory breast cancer, Joubert syndrome, Klinefelter syndrome and associated conditions, Metachromatic leukodystrophy, Pseudoxanthoma elasticum (PXE) | 50- 50,000 |
| Immune Deficiency Foundation | Kathleen Sullivan | Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases | 1,250 |
| Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy | Holly Peay | Duchenne and Becker muscular dystrophy | 4,000 |
| Phelan-McDermid Syndrome Foundation | Megan O'Boyle | Phelan-McDermid Syndrome | 737 |
| University of Pennsylvania | Peter Merkel | Vasculitis | 500 |



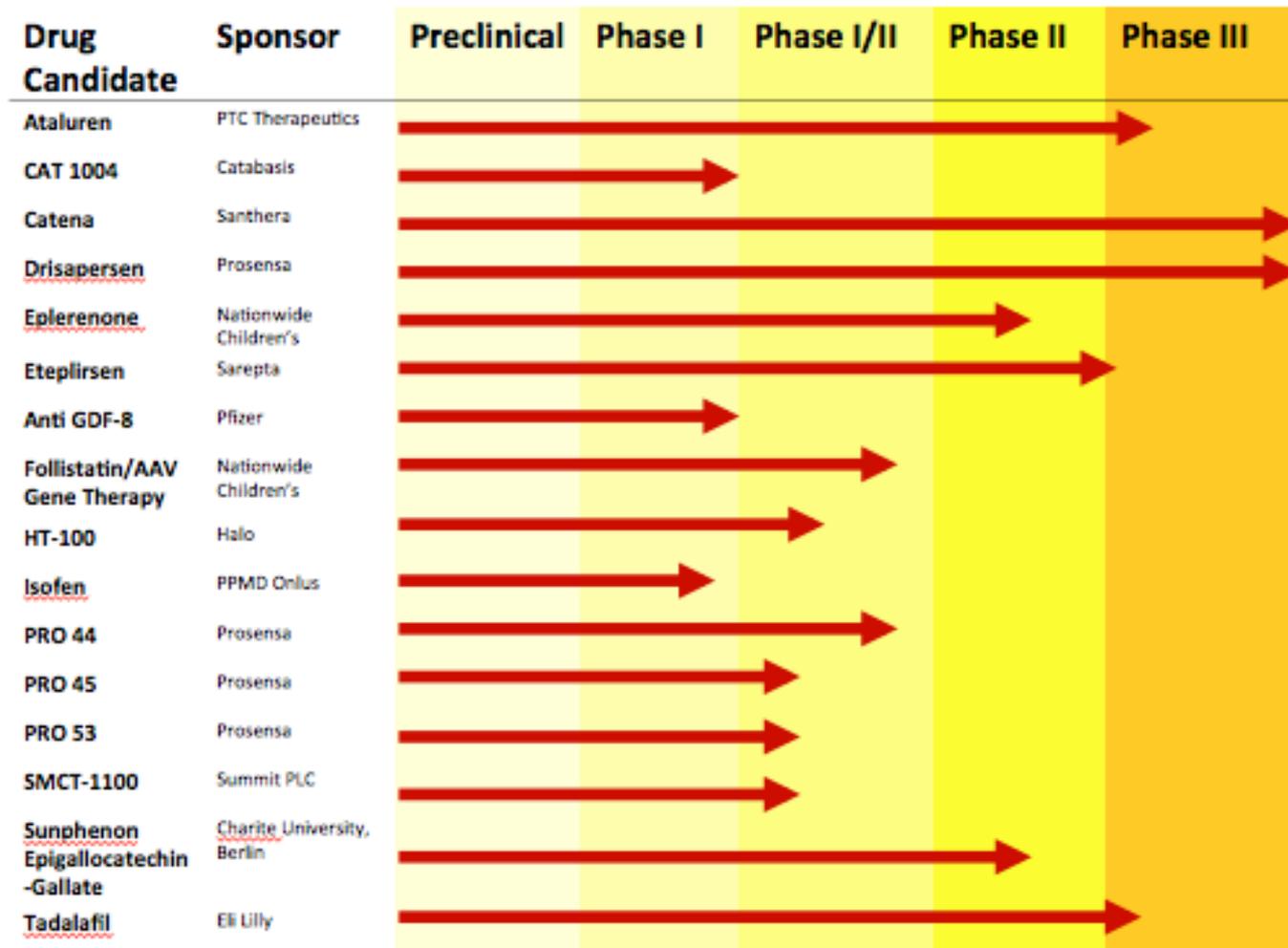
Our Mission:

To improve the treatment, quality of life and long-term outlook for all individuals affected by Duchenne muscular dystrophy through research, education, advocacy and compassion.

Leading the Duchenne muscular dystrophy community

Parent Project
Muscular Dystrophy

A Drug Development Pipeline in Duchenne Full of Potential



DMD caregiver study

- To promote **patient-centered drug development** in the area of DMD, PPMD conducted a national survey caregivers of a child with DMD.
- To quantify **treatment preferences** of caregivers of a child with DMD for the potential benefits and risk of potential treatments we utilize a cutting edge stated-preference method: Best-Worst Scaling (BWS)
- In our BWS experiment, we presented caregivers with **potential treatments** (profiles) and asked them to select the best and worst features.
- Features included **benefits, risk and other characteristics** of potential treatments

Community-centered research

- PPMD led the study, guided by an **advocacy oversight team** comprising PPMD staff members who collaborated with the **research team** to design and implement the study.
- The broader DMD community was engaged to develop the survey (clinicians, sponsors, families).
- The oversight team made **study-related decisions** through a consensus process.
- Contributing authors included **PPMD staff** and academic collaborators from **Johns Hopkins**.

Treatment preferences

- A pool of **treatment features** (attributes) identified and refined in consultation with parents, clinicians, and industry
- **Six attributes** were chosen to cover the potential benefits, risks and other features, each varying across **three levels** each.
- A main-effects orthogonal array was used as the basis of the **experimental design** - identifying 18 potential treatments that systematically varied across the six chosen attributes.

Attributes and levels

- **Effect on muscle function** (none, slows, stops)
- **Gain in expected lifespan** (none, 2, 5 years)
- **Post-approval information** (none, 1, 2 years)
- **Nausea** (none, loss of appetite, loss of appetite and occasional vomiting)
- **Risk of bleeds** (none, risk of bleeding gums and increased bruising, risk of hemorrhagic stroke)
- **Risk of heart arrhythmia** (none, risk of harmless heart arrhythmia, risk of dangerous heart arrhythmia and sudden death)

Conclusions – Treatment priorities

- Within the context our preference experiment:
 - Stopping/slowing the **progression of muscle weakness** accounted for the largest proportion of the variation.
 - The presence of a serious **risk** could be compensated for by a treatment that stops/slows progression to muscle function.
 - **Nausea** was viewed negatively, but not nearly as negatively as a risk for a serious health event.
 - Caregivers *marginally* valued **post-market data**



Genetic Alliance Registry & BioBank

Advocacy owned and managed data
repository and samples

Clinical Information Medical Records

DNA/RNA Self-reported Data

Cell Lines Tissue / Organs

30,000 samples + 20,000 clinical records

BioBank.org

Genetic Alliance Registry and BioBank Toolbox



White label registry – branded according to the advocacy organizations wishes

The screenshot displays the website for the Joubert Syndrome & Related Disorders Foundation. At the top, a dark navigation bar contains links for home, about us, scientific info, conference, events, news, shop, donate, join us, member login, and contact us. Below this is a blue header with the organization's name. The main content area features a light blue banner with the text "Together we can advance research and improve care". A paragraph of text describes the foundation's 22-year history and the goal of JS-LIFE. Below the text is a large graphic with the Joubert Syndrome Link to Information & Family Exchange logo, which consists of four interlocking loops in blue, red, green, and yellow. To the right of the logo, the text "Joubert Syndrome Link to Information & Family Exchange" is written in a handwritten style. Below the logo, the text "Support | Educate | Research" is displayed. To the right of the main content area, a section titled "It's quick and simple!" contains four numbered steps: 1. Sign up! (or sign in) with a "Start Now!" button; 2. Take a health survey; 3. Let researchers find you; 4. Share this with others!. Below this is a section titled "Privacy and Sharing in Perfect Balance" with a "PRIVACY ASSURED" logo and a text box for entering a referral number with a "Submit" button. At the bottom, there are links for Privacy Policy, Terms of Service, and Give Feedback, along with a copyright notice for 2013-2014 Genetix Alliance, Inc.

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The headline, colors, theme, video and other content can be tailored to fit seamlessly into the host site and support each group's message.

Everything is ready and because it is patient-centric. It supports both new users as well as individuals who may have started on a different organization's Private Access-enabled site. Everyone benefits!

Public Policy

- Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act – *led the Coalition that charged the Bill to passage*
- Genetic Testing – *Eyes On the Prize: Truth-telling about Genetic Testing*
- Patenting – *filed an amicus to support innovation and support responsible patenting (Supreme Court)*
- Health Information Technology – *serve on the HIT Standards committee, filed amicus supporting the responsible use of pharmacy data (Supreme Court)*
- Regulation – *Filed citizen's petition to create reasonable oversight of genetic tests*
- Standards – *Work to harmonize ontologies and nomenclature for clinical trials, integrate HL7, LOINC*
- Reimbursement – *Convene payers to determine reasonable evidence levels for diagnostics and therapies in stratified medicine*
- Newborn screening translational network – *collaborate with our Newborn Screening Clearinghouse*

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