



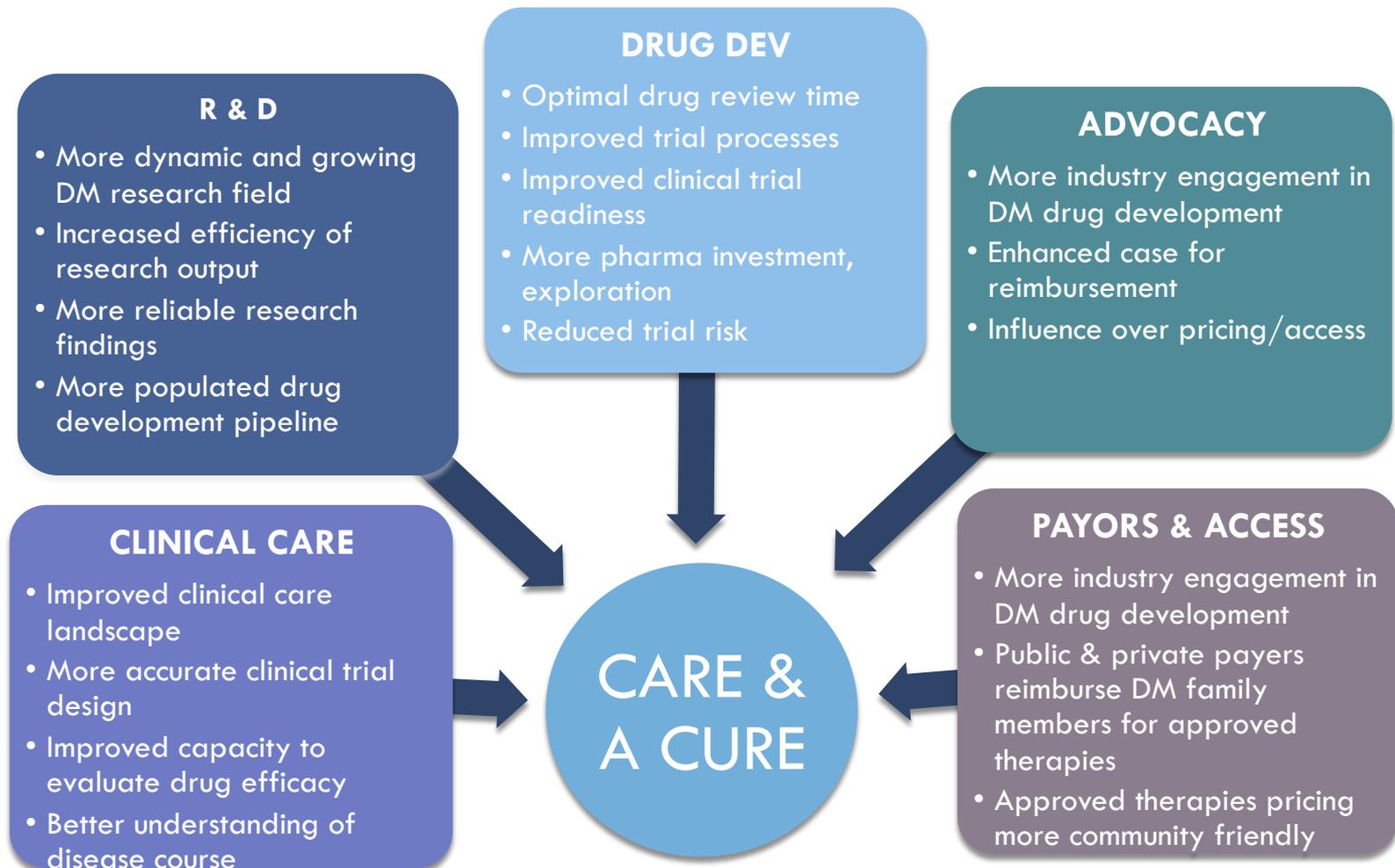
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Care and a Cure

MDF 3.0: Accelerating Drug Development

September 2016

MDF 3.0: Impact



MDF 3.0: Progress at a Glance

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2015 – 2017 \$5,000,000

CLINICAL CARE



- Care Considerations
- Care Landscape Analysis and SWOT

RESEARCH



- Fund-a-Fellow Expansion
- Mouse Model Creation
- Biobank and Cell Line Library Expansion
- Mouse SOPs
- SAC Expansion and Development

DRUG DEV



- Clinical Research Network Expansion
- Biomarkers and Endpoint Development
- Industry Drug Screening Grants
- Regulatory Advocacy
- Clinical Coordinators Recognition Program
- Registry Expansion

ADVOCACY



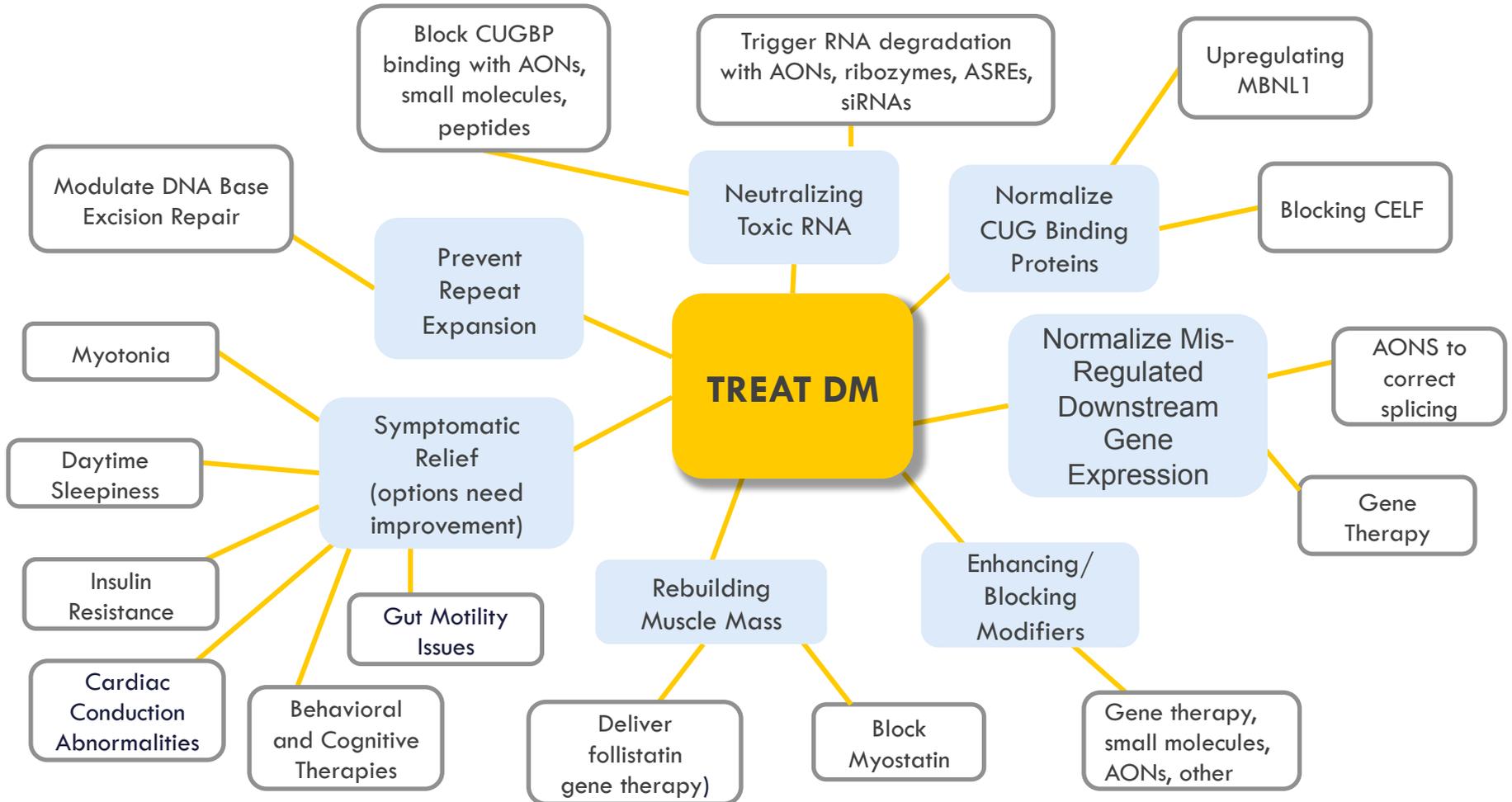
- Muscular Dystrophy Coordinating Committee
- Federal agency advocacy for research funding
- DM Prevalence Study

PAYORS & ACCESS



- Burden of Disease Study
- Meeting with Social Security Administration & presentations at MDF conference

DRUG DEVELOPMENT: Targets



RESEARCH: MDF Fellowship Program

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ONGOING \$1,500,000

- 25 Fellows funded since 2009; fellows posters at Conference
- A 2014 evaluation:
 - >70% remained in DM research
 - 60% raised additional funding totaling over \$2.5M
- Four MDF Fellows have gone to receive faculty positions and in several cases, NIH and other agency funding



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RESEARCH: Building a Better Mouse

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2016 – 2017 \$90,000

Why do we need another mouse model?

- Genetic stability
- Better symptom profile (e.g., cognitive effects)
- Better access
- Avoiding licensing/reach-through issues
- Funding: Cat Lutz (JAX) BAC transgenic DM1 model

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MOUSE FROM
JACKSON LABS

MOUSE
DISTRIBUTION:
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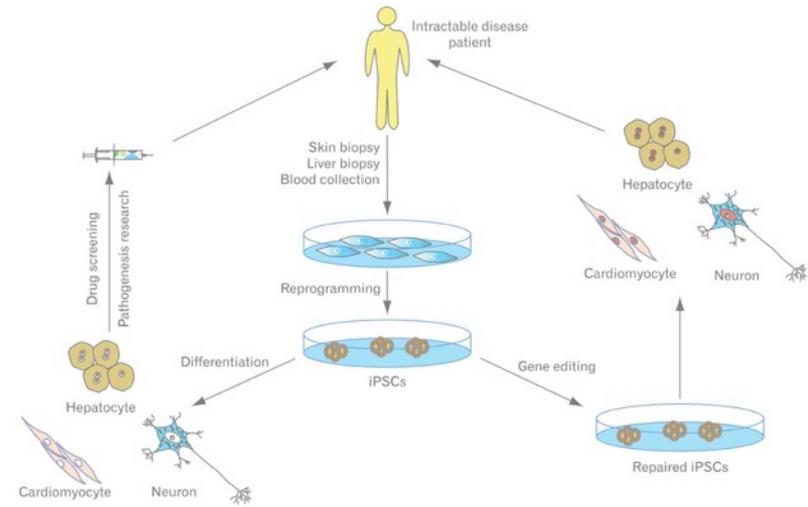


RESEARCH: Cell lines for Screening

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2016 – 2017 \$106,000

- **Why do we need new cell lines?**
- Deriving specific cell types for screen
- Improving flexibility and availability through iPSCs housed at an NIH source
- Avoid licensing and reach-through issues
- Funding: NHCDR/NINDS, 4 DM1 & 4 DM2 lines

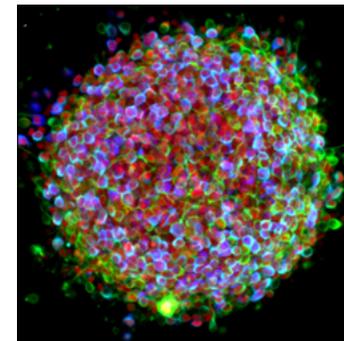


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NINDS iPSC cluster

DRUG DEVELOPMENT: Endpoints RFA

ENDPOINTS RFA:

- **Develop new or refine existing endpoints for DM**
- **\$150,000, 1 yr award**
- **Funding: Donovan Lott (UFL) for skeletal muscle MRI**
- **Upper & lower extremity; correlate with variety of functional measures**
- **25 subjects**
- **Strong MRI track record at UFL, inc. initiating qualification process for DMD**
- **Project requires FDA consultation**



DRUG DEVELOPMENT: Biomarkers

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2016 – 2017 \$150,000



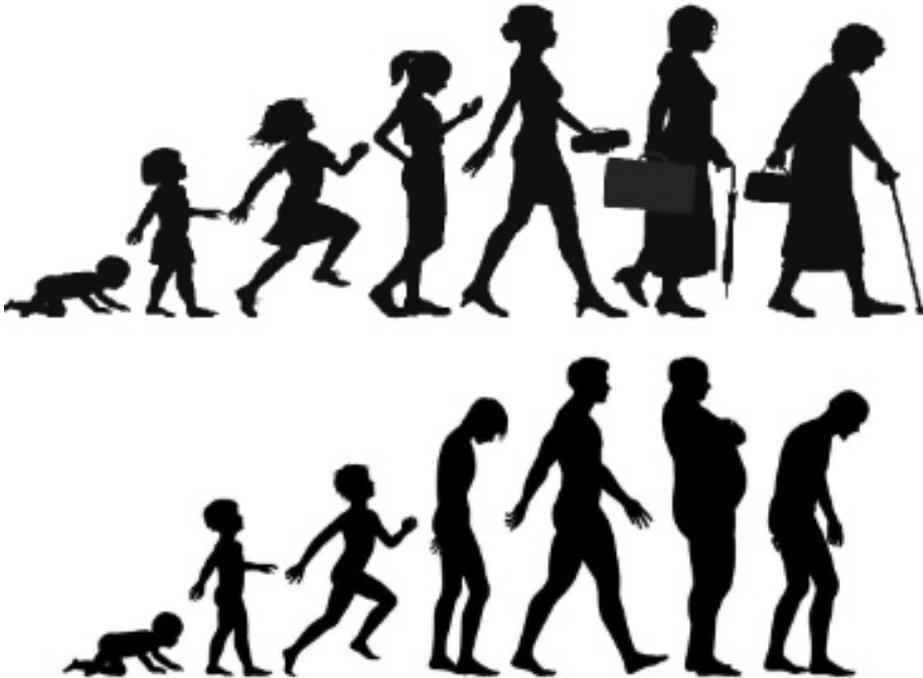
BIOMARKER RFA:

- Development of a biomarker for a specific drug program or a biomarker of general utility; should be a path to regulatory qualification
- \$150,000, 1 yr award
- Taking recommendation for funding to Board

DRUG DEVELOPMENT: PHENO-DM1

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2017 – 2018 \$120,000



PHENO-DM1 Study:

- Leverage existing NIHR (UK) grant to Newcastle
- \$120,000, 18 month award
- Funding: Hanns Lochmuller, to extend 1 yr natural history study in 200-400 subjects to 2 yrs
- Upper & lower extremity; correlate with variety of functional measures
- 25 subjects
- 20 measures (inc. MRC strength, 10MWT, nine-hole peg, DM1 Activ, FVC/FEV, MDHI, Mini Mental)

CRITICAL REGULATORY QUESTION:

- **Does drug's clinical benefit outweigh risk?**
- **Improving, halting or slowing muscle weakness = greatest benefit to study participants**
- **Reducing fatigue = least benefit**
- Loss of appetite was the best tolerated risk
- 1:1000 chance of liver damage was the least tolerated



- **All-day FDA workshop at MDF conference 2015**
 - **Moderator: former FDA Deputy Commissioner Dr. Stephen Spielberg**
 - **Topics:**
 - **Patient-Focused Drug Development**
 - **Endpoint Validation Group**
 - **Neurology Review Division**
 - **Biomarkers Validation Group**
 - **>70 attendees from industry, academia, NIH**
 - **Publication submitted August 2016**
- **Patient Focused Drug Development Meeting at MDF conference 2016**
 - **Significant participation confirmed from FDA leadership**
 - **First formally approved Externally-Led PFDD for FDA**
 - **Will include testimony from MDF conference attendees on burden of disease and input on desired impacts of treatments**
 - **Proceeds to inform FDA Neurology Review Division via regulatory framework**
- **Outreach to European Medicines Agency ongoing**

REIMBURSEMENT & ACCESS: Burden of Disease Study

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2015 – 2016 \$50,000

Codes of Interest

GOAL: DOCUMENT ANNUAL MEDICAL COSTS OF DM DIAGNOSIS

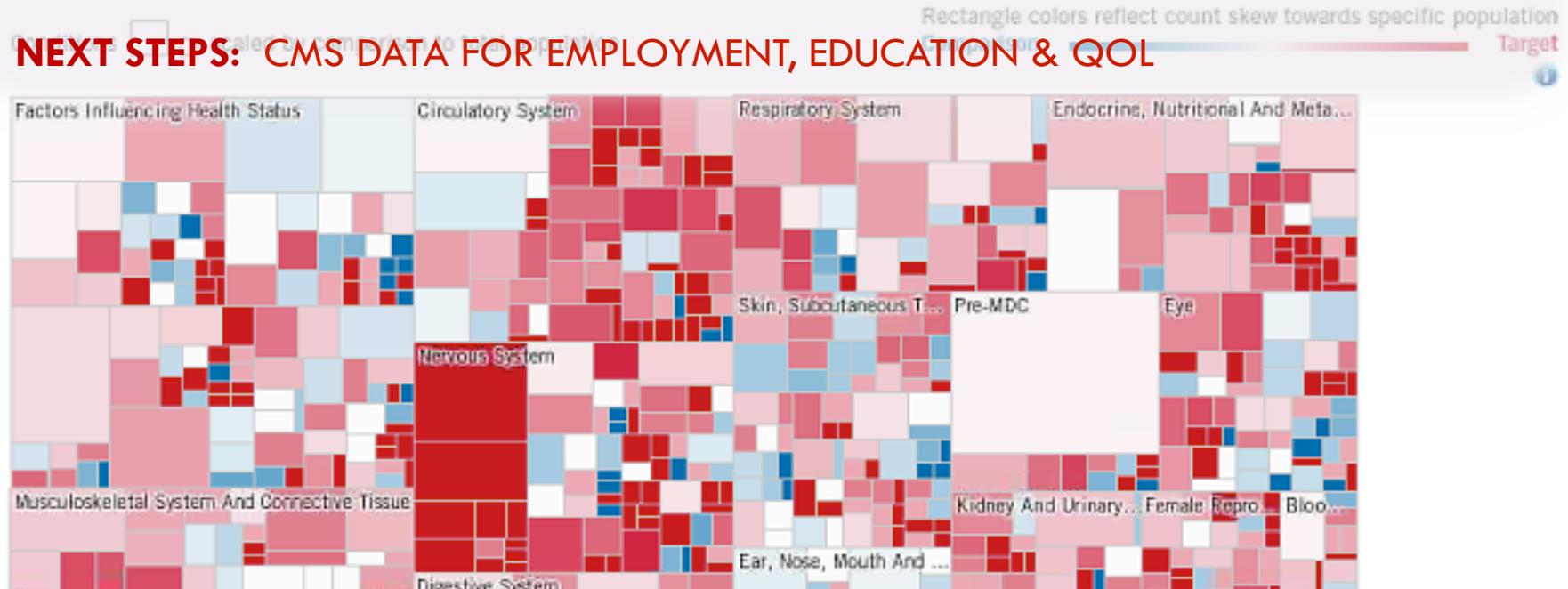
TARGET AUDIENCE: PAYERS & POLICY MAKERS

PARTNERS: MAYO CLINIC & OPTUM LABS

- REACH: >100M CLAIMS & 300K MATCHED MEDICAL RECORDS

STATUS: PRELIMINARY FINDINGS DUE FALL 2016

NEXT STEPS: CMS DATA FOR EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION & QOL



FEDERAL ADVOCACY: Prevalence Study

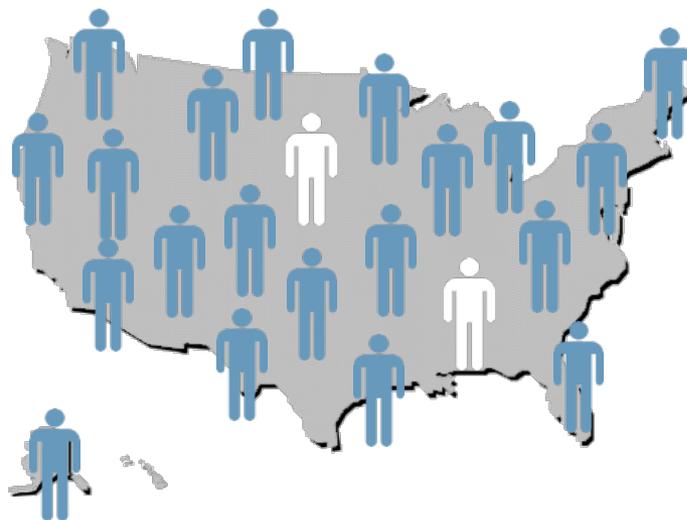
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2015 – 2017 \$ 575,000

GOAL: Define mutation and pre-mutation load in US population

TACTIC: Two-phased project

- Phase I: develop and validate a scalable, inexpensive methodology
 - Award to Nick Johnson, UUT 2015
 - Assay complete
- Phase II: measure the frequency of DM1 and DM2 expansions in the general population via +/- 70,000 newborn blood spots
 - One application received
 - Phase II RFA review November 2016



DRUG DEVELOPMENT: Network & Natural History Data Expansion Project

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ONGOING \$700,000

GOAL:

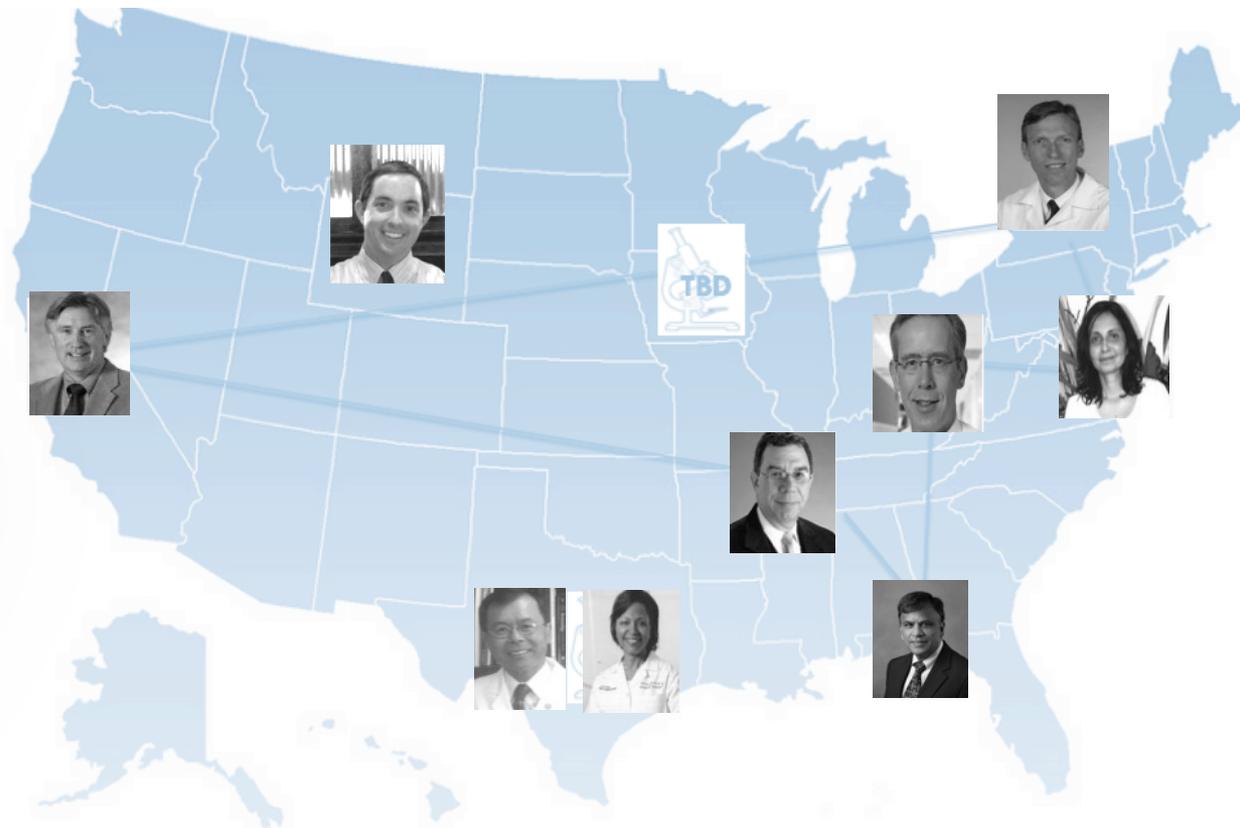
- National network of study & trial sites
- Increase natural history data collection

IMPACT:

- Improved trial infrastructure
- Drive study & trial efficiencies
- Capture more natural history data
- Create centralized, accessible database

TACTICS:

- Annual multi-site grants based on milestones



DM is Tractable

- Prevalence: about 30K in the US, likely significantly understated
- Compelling and well-understood disease mechanism
- Preclinical POC established for different targets in the pathogenic cascade
- Ability to get rapid molecular readout (splicing) of target engagement/modulation in early stage clinical trials
- Ability to use molecular readout in dose ranging studies
- Ability to get physiological readout of disease modification in early stage clinical trials
- Concerted effort on endpoints, including efforts to coordinate endpoint SOPs internationally
- Existing registries provide data, patient location and trial facilitation
- Patient care considerations being disseminated internationally
- Centers of excellence program in the US (DMCRN) & effort to establish & coordinate with EU

MDF 3.0: Impact

