

Accelerating therapeutic development for Huntington's disease

HDClarity: Rationale, vision and logistics

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A multi-site cerebrospinal fluid collection initiative to facilitate therapeutic

development for Huntington's disease





Need for a large CSF collection from wellcharacterized HD volunteers

CSF is an accessible body fluid that may facilitate

- Our understanding of Huntington's pathophysiology
 - Exploration of potential targets for intervention
- Identification and development of biomarkers
 - Pharmacodynamic
 - Efficacy
 - Disease State or Progression
- Such biomarkers are needed to advance and accelerate upcoming clinical trials



Need for a large CSF collection from wellcharacterized HD volunteers

- Existing collections limited
 - Cohort sizes are too small to power many studies
 - Need new collections to replicate findings
 - Samples are being depleted rapidly
 - Disease state coverage, matching controls
 - No repeat or longitudinal samples
- Existing collections not as carefully qualified
 - Medication use not restricted
 - Samples not evaluated for blood contamination

CHDI decided to facilitate the creation of a CSF sample repository from a large, balanced, well-characterized cohort



CHDI's vision for the collection and use of samples

• Collection:

- Engage highly motivated Investigators to participate
- Standardized, state of the art procedures
 - Minimize headache and other adverse events
 - Maximize likelihood of repeat customers
 - Minimize blood contamination; establish assays to quantify
 - Provide standardized collection kits
- Be both inclusive and restrictive
 - Including full disease stage range
 - Allow most medications, but note usage and include medication-free sub-cohorts
- Be powered! N=100 per arm



CHDI's vision for the collection and use of samples

• Sample Storage:

- Centralized storage at a biorepository: BioRep
- Clinical Data Storage:
 - Clinical data stored in Enroll-HD database
- Analyses:
 - QC performed in batches at central labs
 - Other experimental analyses performed using rigorous protocols, on properly powered cohorts
 - CHDI will direct the transfer of samples
 - "CSF Consortium" will provide scientific oversight into the use of samples and analysis of data



Overall structure of study

- CHDI: Funding Agency
 - Science Director: B. Borowsky
 - Team of project managers
 - Manage BioRep, Enroll-HD, 2MT, Site contracts and payments
- UCL: Study Sponsor and Managing Research Organization
 - Chief Investigator: E. Wild
 - Central Coordination: G. Owen, S. Brown
- CSF Consortium: CHDI, CI and interested site PIs
- The first Enroll-HD Platform Study
 - Select Enroll-HD sites in North America and Europe
 - Fully integrated with the Enroll-HD EDC system and database
 - EDC-triggered site payments via Greenphire
 - On site monitoring by Enroll monitors
 - Site agreements and ICFs similar language









What does this structure mean to sites?

- Primary site contact is Central Coordination at UCL
- UCL will
 - Provide study documents and training materials
 - Liaise with sites on site agreements, ICFs
 - Train and approve sites
 - Remotely monitor
 - Review payment requests
- CHDI will
 - Sign and negotiate site agreements
 - Approve ICF modifications
 - Approve and authorize payments
- BioRep will
 - Send you collection kits
 - Receive your collected samples

This is a new structure for CHDI: concept of an MRO and using Enroll-HD as a platform study



So be patient....

CSF Consortium

- "CSF Consortium" will provide scientific oversight into the use of samples and analysis of data
 - CHDI, CI and PIs interested in research uses of CSF
 - First meeting with interested members later this year
 - Proposed experiments will be evaluated and strengthened along several dimensions:
 - Biologic principle being evaluated
 - Quality and suitability of assays
 - Power and statistical analysis plan
- The current prioritized analyses include:
 - Further evaluation of HTT assays, including from repeat sampling
 - Further evaluation of kynurenine pathway metabolites
 - Proteomic evaluation of previous "hot list" of proteins altered in the disease



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