

NAPA Research Progress Report

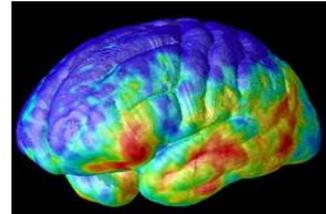
NAPA Advisory Council Meeting

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2015 Summit Plans

- February 9th-11th, 2015
 - February 9th-10th: Alzheimer's Disease Research Summit
 - February 11th: G8 Summit Legacy Meeting on international research coordination – treatment, cure, and prevention
- Draft agenda reflects input from the Trans-NIH AD Working Group and National Advisory Council on Aging



Draft Outline for Summit Presentations

- *Introductory Remarks*
- *NAPA Research Milestones: Process and Progress*
- *Plenary Lecture(s): Socioeconomic Burden of AD: Update on National and International Trends*
- *Session I: Interdisciplinary Research to Understand the Heterogeneity and Multifactorial Etiology of AD*
- *Session II: Transforming AD Therapy Development: from Targets to Trials*
- *Session III: New Strategies for Prevention*
- *Session IV: Innovating disease monitoring, assessment and care*
- *Session V: Partnerships Enabling Open Innovation*
- *Session VI: Empowering Patients, Engaging Citizens*

Plans for New Monies

- Of the approximately \$100 million in new funds for FY15 for AD, a strategy will be applied to provide stable availability of funds for new awards across future years:
 - \$80 million will be used to fully fund some projects (e.g., \$4 million total might be set aside *now* for a project that costs \$1 million/year over 4 years)
 - \$20 million will be used to fund the first year for other projects – this is the typical approach that the NIA uses; subsequent year funding would be from the base

FY2014 NIA Alzheimer's Research Initiatives

- RFA-AG-14-012: Human Cell Reprogramming for Functional Genetics of Alzheimer's Disease (R01)
- RFA-AG-14-002: Optogenetic Tools for the Study of Neural Systems in Aging and Alzheimer's Disease (R01)
- PAR-12-183: National Institute on Aging Analysis of Alzheimer's Disease Genome Sequencing Project Data [U19]
- Funding Opportunity Announcement for Planning Grants for Alzheimer's Disease Translational Centers for Predictive Drug Development: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-14-017.html>

Funding Approach for FY15

- FY15 initiatives will be considered during the May meeting of the National Advisory Council on Aging
- A process is being established to map individual projects to NAPA goals on a regular basis
- Initiatives can be *generally* mapped to NAPA goals after the May Council meeting

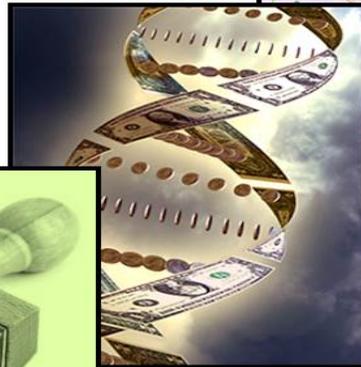
Accelerating Medicines Partnership

Alzheimer's Disease Program



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Developing effective new medicines takes too long, costs too much and fails too often.



AMP Pilots:

Alzheimer's disease

Type 2 diabetes

Rheumatoid arthritis/systemic lupus erythematosus



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Alzheimer's Disease – AMP Proposal Development Group

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Original Research Proposal for Alzheimer's Disease

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Key scientific elements of proposed research

A

Identify biomarkers correlated with therapeutic benefit

Embed exploratory biomarkers into upcoming Phase 3 clinical trials to identify those which predict clinical benefit

- Study includes supplemental biomarker assessments of 1000 patients in 5 different trials across 100 sites
- Specific assessments to include: Expanded MRI battery, FDG-PET, Abeta/Tau imaging, CSF markers and others
- Includes collaboration with the FDA to define what is needed to ultimately qualify biomarkers as surrogate endpoints in registration trials
- Timeline is 5 years

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Identify & validate new targets in human brain tissue

Integrated systems analysis in human brain tissue to identify networks and validate targets relevant in AD

- Conduct RNA seq / GWAS studies in 3000 existing brain samples using validated methodologies (2000 AD, 1000 Control)
- Construction of ordered networks linked to disease is expected to identify novel targets and provide orthogonal target validation with human genetics (GWAS and deep sequencing)
- Timeline is 3 years



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2013 RFA: Interdisciplinary Approach to Identification and Validation of Novel Therapeutic Targets for AD

- **Supports interdisciplinary and integrative research focused on identification and preclinical validation of novel targets for AD treatment and prevention**
 - Encourages the pursuit of paradigm-shifting biological and therapeutic hypotheses and promotes the creation of new translational teams
 - Encourages the use of network-based approaches, such as systems biology and systems pharmacology to gain understanding of the molecular and physiological context within which potential therapeutic targets operate

Identification and Validation of Novel Therapeutic Targets for Alzheimer's Disease,
RFA-AG-13-013: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-13-013.html>

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2013 RFA: Alzheimer's Disease Prevention Trials

- Phase II or Phase III clinical trials testing pharmacological (small molecules and biologics) and non-pharmacological interventions, in cognitively normal individuals at-risk for AD (e.g., individuals at risk genetically, older adults positive for biomarker evidence of Alzheimer's disease pathology) or in individuals with MCI using a combination of biomarkers (fluid and imaging) and cognitive measures as outcomes.

AD Prevention Trials, RFA-AG-13-015:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-13-015.htm>



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Summary of recently announced NIH initiatives: Identifying biomarkers correlated with therapeutic benefit

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Proposal	Description	Principal investigator
Dominantly Inherited Alzheimer Network Trials Unit (DIAN-TU) Trial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase I/III study to assess the safety, tolerability, and biomarker efficacy of gantenerumab and solanezumab in mutation carriers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Randall J. Bateman, WUSL Collaborating companies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lilly Roche Alzheimer's Assoc. Avid Radiopharm. Cog State
The Alzheimer's Prevention Initiative APOE4 Trial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Testing an anti-amyloid drug (TBD) in cognitively normal older volunteers who are at increased risk of developing late-onset Alzheimer's (APOE4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eric Reiman, BANNER Pierre Tariot, BANNER
Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study Anti-Amyloid Treatment in Asymptomatic AD Trial (A4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secondary prevention trial of MAb in clinically normal older people with biomarker evidence of brain amyloid. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reisa Sperling, Harvard Paul Aisen, UCSD

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NIH-funded Phase II/III studies in preclinical, at-risk patients

Source	Fluid	Imaging	Subjects
API APOE4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSF AB42 • p-tau • t-tau • Plasma AB1-40 • Plasma ABx-40 • Plasma AB1-42 • Plasma ABx-42 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRI/fMRI • Axial T2 Star/ Gradient Echo • FDG PET/AB PET • Axial T2 FLAIR • MPRAGE/IRFSPGR • fcMRC EPI BOLD • Axial DTI • Axial T2 TSE • Flutemetamol PET 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 650
DIAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSF tau • CSFAB42 • CSFAB40 • CSF p-tau • BACE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hippocampal volume • Ventricle volume • FDG PET • PET PIB • MRI • DTI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 155
A4 prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSF AB1-42 • CSF tau • CSF p-tau 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PET PIB • MRI • fcMRI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1000

Each trial collects CSF & plasma; Access to samples would need to be defined

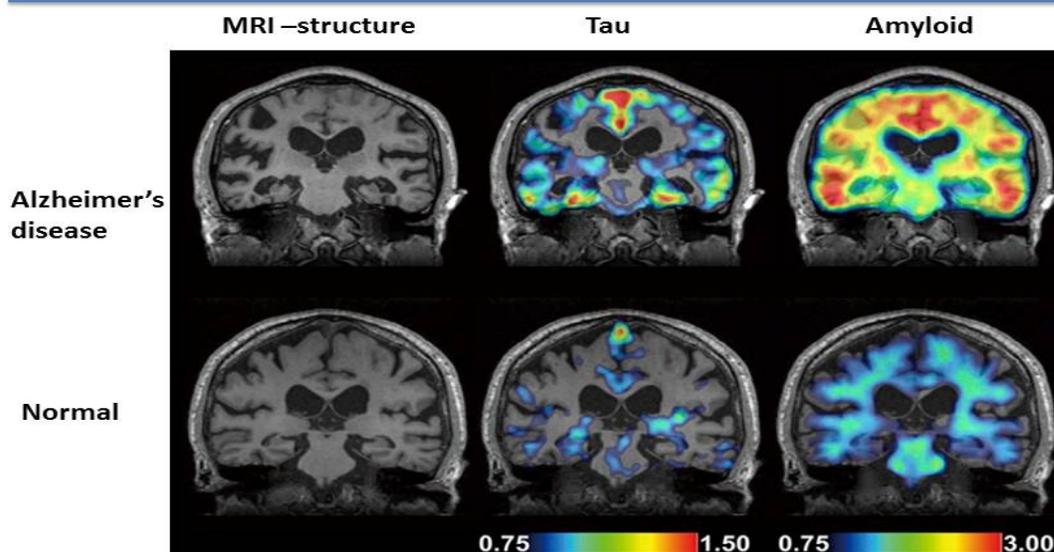


AMP Project A

- Supplement the biomarker panels already included in these three NIH-funded Phase II/III registration trials in presymptomatic Alzheimer’s through the addition of tau PET imaging, EEG measures and novel fluid biomarkers.
 - AMP will support appropriate CSF and plasma sampling and storage as necessary to ensure that the full range of future analytes can be measured including protein and miRNA biomarkers.
 - The identity of the specific analytes will therefore be based on progress in the field over the next 5 years; however, output from the ADNI proteomics project among other large scale fluid biomarker programs will be available in this timeframe.



Diagnosing AD: Present and Future



Summary of recently announced NIH initiatives:

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Identifying & validating new targets in human brain tissue

Proposal	Description	Principal investigator
Pathway Discovery, Validation and Compound Identification for Alzheimer's Disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Characterize and validate complex molecular networks & candidate genes that influence susceptibility to AD Analyze rich clinical, pathological, genomic and other large-scale molecular data collected from brain tissue from over 1,000 subjects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philip De Jager, BROAD David Bennett, RUSH
Integrative Biology Approach to Complexity of Alzheimer's Disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct biological network models with large-scale molecular, cellular and clinical data (incl. human cells) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eric Schadt, MT SINAI
Systems Approach to Targeting Innate Immunity in Alzheimer's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and characterize novel therapeutic targets within the innate immune system using data from Alzheimer's patients and Alzheimer's mouse models 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Todd Golde, U Florida Nathan Price, Seattle Nulifer Ertiken-Taner, Mayo

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AMP will support enabling effective data integration across these three NIH-funded studies



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AMP Project B

- Expand the application of integrated network analysis (both RNA and proteomic studies) in human AD brain samples to identify biologic nodes and networks that are linked to the development or progression of AD
- Plan to work with Sage Bionetworks to create standardized open-source data structures and formats to aid the accessibility and ease of analysis of biological data in a manner not currently practiced in the AD field.
 - SAGE will provide coordinated and centralized enablement of the data components for public use.

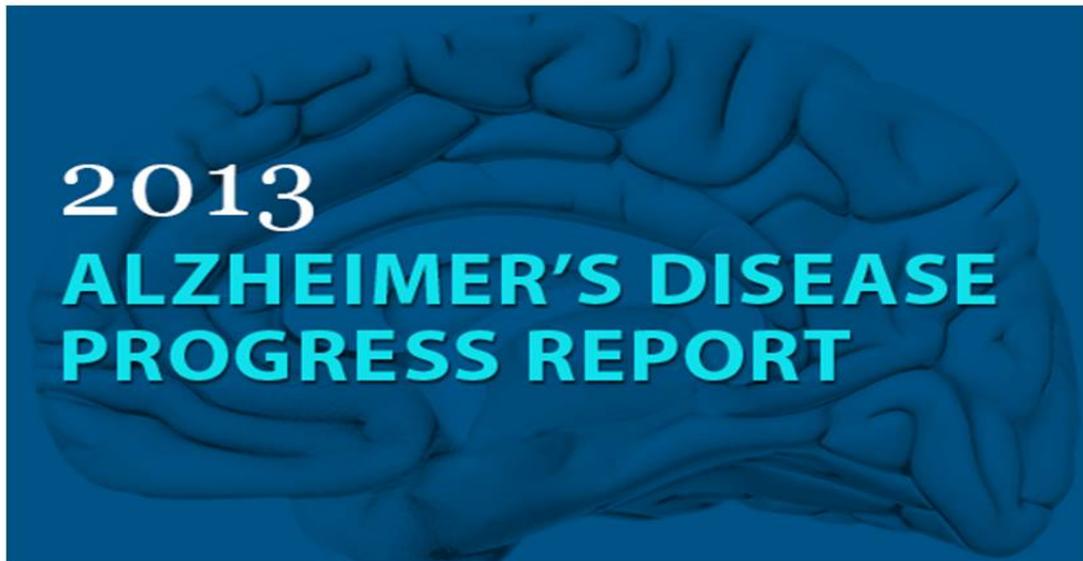
Projected AMP funding contributions

Disease area	Total project funding (\$M)	Total NIH funding (\$M)	Total industry funding (\$M)
AD	135	67.6	67.4
T2D	58.4	30.4	28.0
RA/SLE	41.6	20.9	20.7
Total	235	118.9	116.1

Industry is also providing AMP with additional in-kind contributions, e.g., clinical trials, drug, tracer, databases, etc.

AMP Participation by Disease Area

	Alzheimer's disease	Type 2 Diabetes	RA, SLE & related
Industry members	 	 	
Government members	 		
Non-profit members	 GEOFFREY BEENE 		



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