

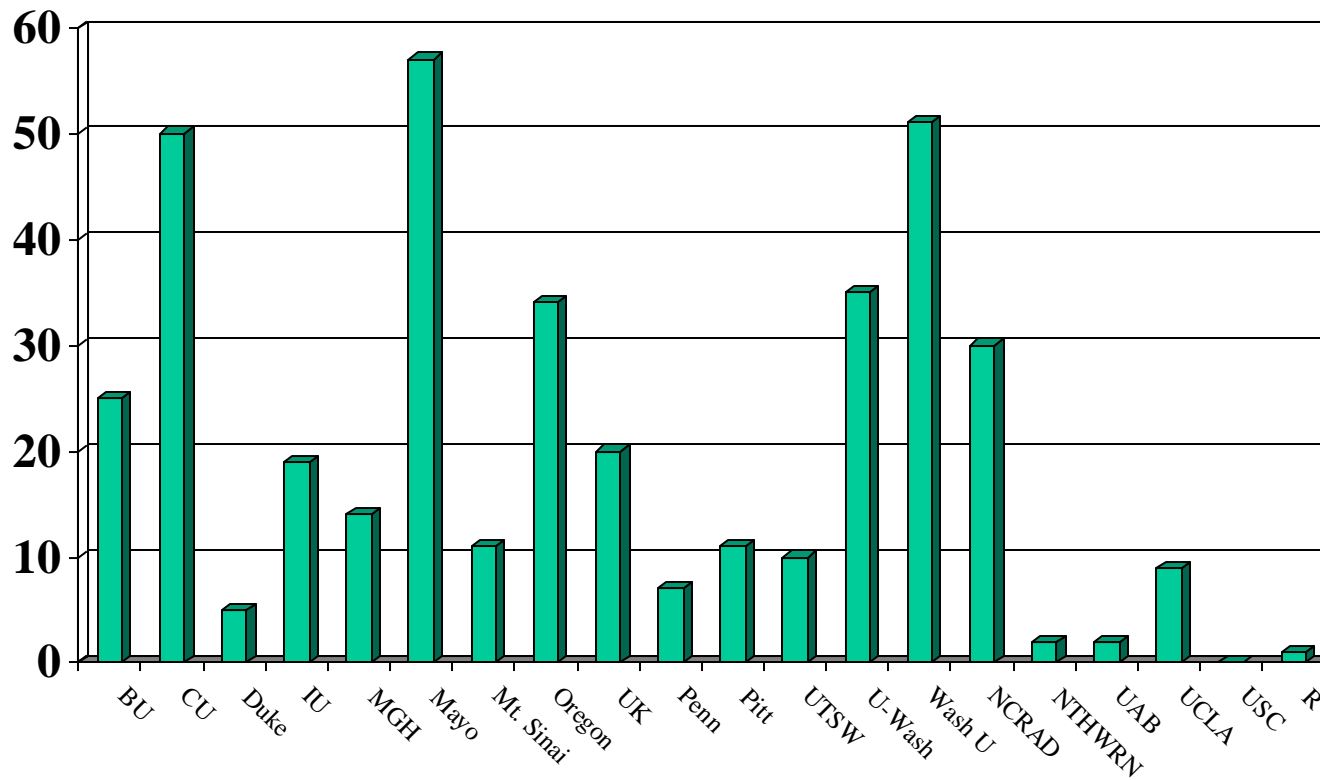


NIA-Genetics Initiative LOAD Study Update

- 19 Centers now have approved protocols with appropriate informed consent.
- 14 Centers now have approved MTA, 5 are in progress. (14 MTA-In, 8 MTA-Out).
- Updated manual - <http://156.145.114.109/>
- Subcommittees:
 - Age-at-onset
 - Autopsy
 - Biomarkers
 - Cognitive testing



Pedigrees Approved

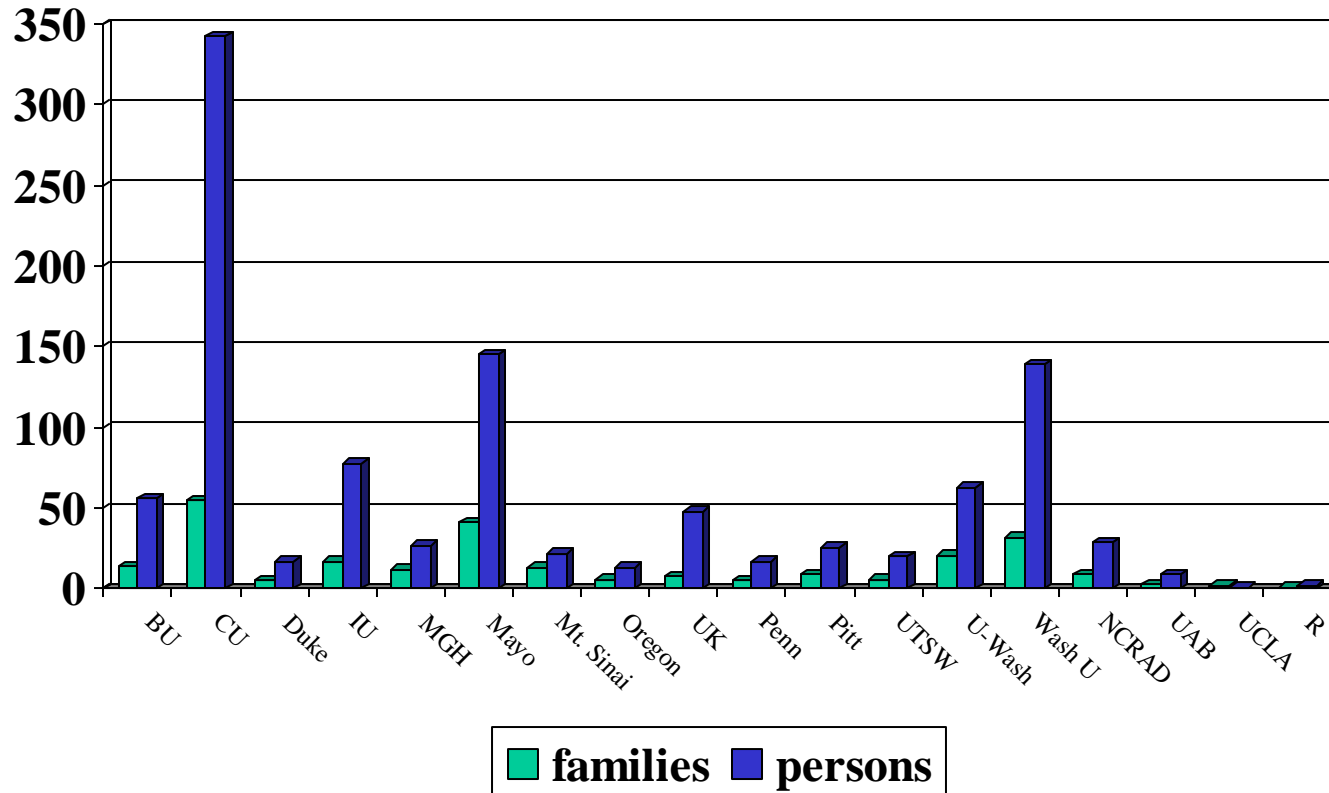


April 22, N= 397

* pending collection



Samples In NCRAD



April 22: 1,055 individuals from 259 families



Plans

- Database reconciliation.
- Distribute standardized format for age-at-onset (expect re-interview).
- Autopsy component of manual updated and protocol for acquisition being developed on a national scale with NCRAD.
- Implement standardized family data collection and cognitive testing.
- Method for collecting and storing biomarkers from serum and plasma begin developed.



This Summer

- Coordinators meeting June 14,15 to standardized family data collection and cognitive testing.
- Review of all pedigrees in the database as a measure of quality control. (Reminder to send them in to NCRAD or Columbia).
- Begin discussion of follow-up and “controls”.