The National Centralized Repository for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias

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2018 Headlines

NIH funds major biobank expansion at IUSM Newsroom > IU School of Medicine to support Alzheimer's disease research

With a grant from the National Institute of Health's National Institute on Aging, Indiana University School of Medicine will dramatically increase the size and scope of the biobank that stores DNA and other biological samples used by researchers globally to better understand, treat and hopefully cure Alzheimer's disease.

Expansion of Alzheimer's disease biospecimens repository prompts name change

New Initiatives at NCRAD: Biospecimen Review Committee

NCRAD Biospecimen Review Committee

APPLY

- Investigator inquires about sample availability.
- Investigator applies through application.

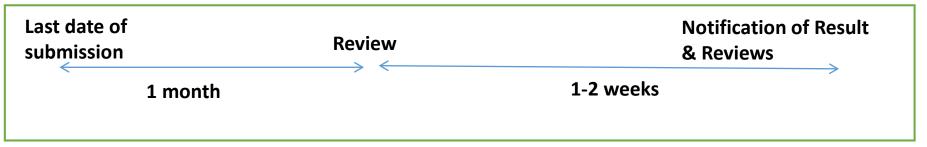
REVIEW

- The BRC reviews the application.
- BRC decisions:
 - Approved,
 - Approved if concerns are addressed
 - Denied

DISTRIBUTE

 If the application is approved & researcher has funding, introductory call held with NCRAD

Timeline from application to Review Decision



Want to learn more about NCRAD samples.....

FINAL AGENDA

NACC Data/Methods Meeting

1:30 – 3:15pm • Saturday, October 20, 2018 • Grand Ballroom A&B, Conference Level (4th Floor)

1:30pm	Welcome; NACC updates and future directions George Thomas, MS MANAGER OF COMPUTING (INTERIM), NACC
1:50	Working with NACC data: Access and use in the scientific community Merilee Teylan, MPH sr. research scientist, NACC
2:10	NCRAD update: How can I find NCRAD samples linked to NACC data? Tatiana Foroud, PhD PI, NCRAD
2:30	Recent statistical methodology publications using the NACC UDS database Kwun Chuen Gary Chan, PhD co-investigator and statistician, nacc
2:50	Example of addressing a research question using NACC data: Studies on primary age-related tauopathy (PART) Charles Mock, MD, PhD associate director and epidemiologist, NACC
3:15pm	Adjourn

New Initiatives at NCRAD:

Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells (iPSCs) and Fibroblast Lines

Researchers Developing iPSC/Fibroblast Lines

- Researchers developing iPSC and fibroblast lines must share them with other researchers
 - Cost and time to expand lines for distributions
- NCRAD developed a new service to support distribution of fibroblasts and iPSCs

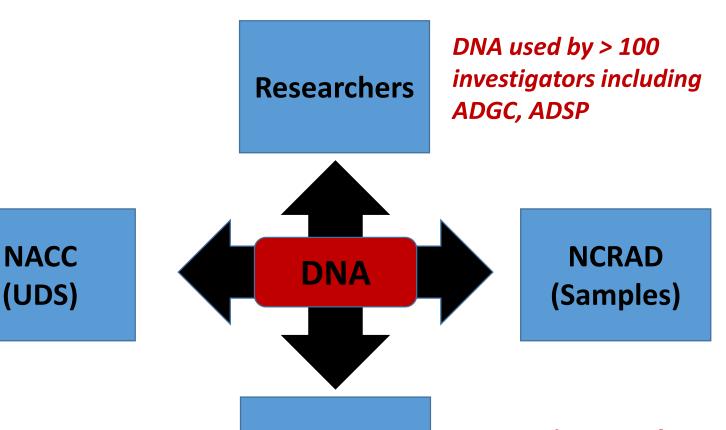
https://is.gd/NCRADIPSC

Requesting Samples

- Many lines are generated from ADC participants
 - NCRAD will maintain link to NACC data
 - Ability to select samples from individuals meeting specific clinical criteria
- NCRAD will utilize the same catalog system as for other biospecimens
 - Investigators can also pair molecular data (GWAS, WES, WGS) with samples to select subjects with particular mutations/variants
 - Investigators can download iPSC growth and expansion protocols

New Initiatives at NCRAD: Support Central Banking for the ADCs

Leverage Successful Model Built for DNA



ADCs (Subjects)

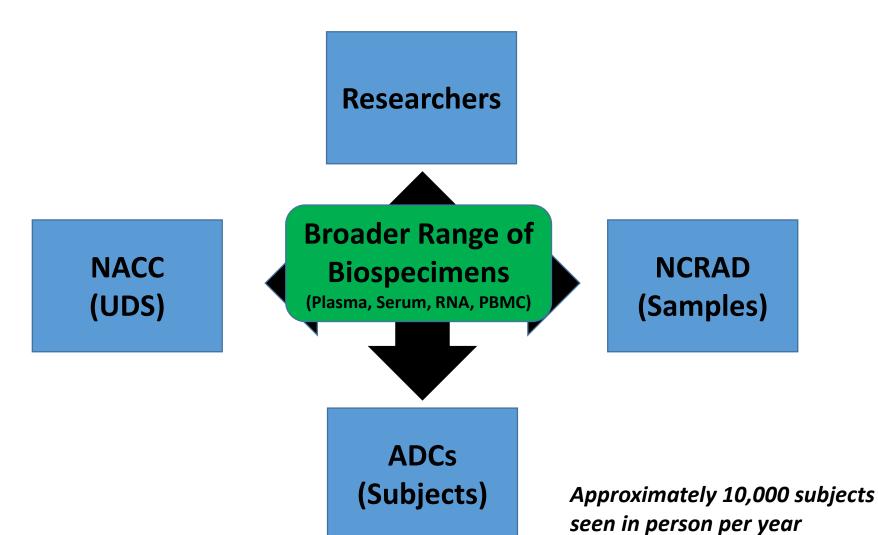
NCRAD has DNA from over 28,000 ADC subjects

Data for ADC Contributed Samples at NCRAD

- **26,552** with APOE
- **15,966** with GWAS ADC 1-9
 - 3,758 more in ADC 10 including MCI and EOAD
- **13,490** with exome chip
- 3,260 with WES through the ADSP
- 1,183 with WGS through the ADSP
 - ~3,900 ADC ADSP Follow-up Study (FUS) samples sent
 - 14,000-16,000 total FUS samples planned for WGS

^{*}all totals above include Phase 1 and Phase 2 subjects

Leverage Successful Model Built for DNA... to Develop New Biomarkers



What could be done with centralized samples from ADCs?

- Ability to do large scale studies with a wider range of specimens across the ADCs
 - For example, complete a particular assay in all plasma samples from individuals meeting criteria for AD or matched controls
- All biomarker data from ADC subject samples will be made available to researchers (including ADCs)
 - This approach has been very successful with DNA (return of APOE, GWAS)

Accelerating Biomarker Development: Planning For the First Year (Launch Jan 1)

ADC

NCRAD

Propose blood collection from 3,000 subjects





Volume	Product
2x10 ml	Buffy coat (DNA) + Plasma aliquots
2x10 ml	PBMCs
1x10 ml	Serum aliquots
1x2.5 ml	RNA

Uniformly collected & processed blood samples



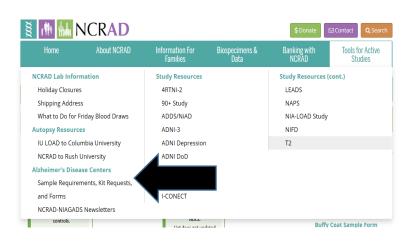
Buffy coat (DNA), plasma, serum aliquots; Blood for RNA, PBMCs

What is the Advantage?

- Large numbers of samples, collected uniformly, available in a single place
 - ADCs receive from NCRAD all materials for sample collection, processing and aliquoting
 - ADCs receive funding for sample collection (up to \$100/subject)
 - Reduced ADC burden to store large numbers of samples
 - Single MTA used by a researcher receiving samples from NCRAD
- All data generated from the samples made available rapidly to the research community
 - Initially propose key assays in large numbers of samples
 - Data can now be used by the ADCs to address their research questions

Accelerating Biomarker Development: Planning For the First Year

- We want to identify ADCs interested in participating in 2019 as we launch this initiative
- ADC page of NCRAD website has a link to a RedCap survey where we will gather information from interested ADCs





ADC Page on NCRAD Website

RedCap link at top of page

Accelerating Biomarker Development: Expand to all ADCs (U19)

ADC

10,000 in person study visits at the ADCs/year





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NCRAD

Buffy coat (DNA), plasma, serum aliquots; Blood for RNA, PBMCs; CSF aliquots

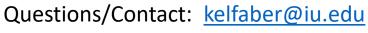
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