



# LRRK2 KINASE INHIBITORS: THE PATH TO THE CLINIC

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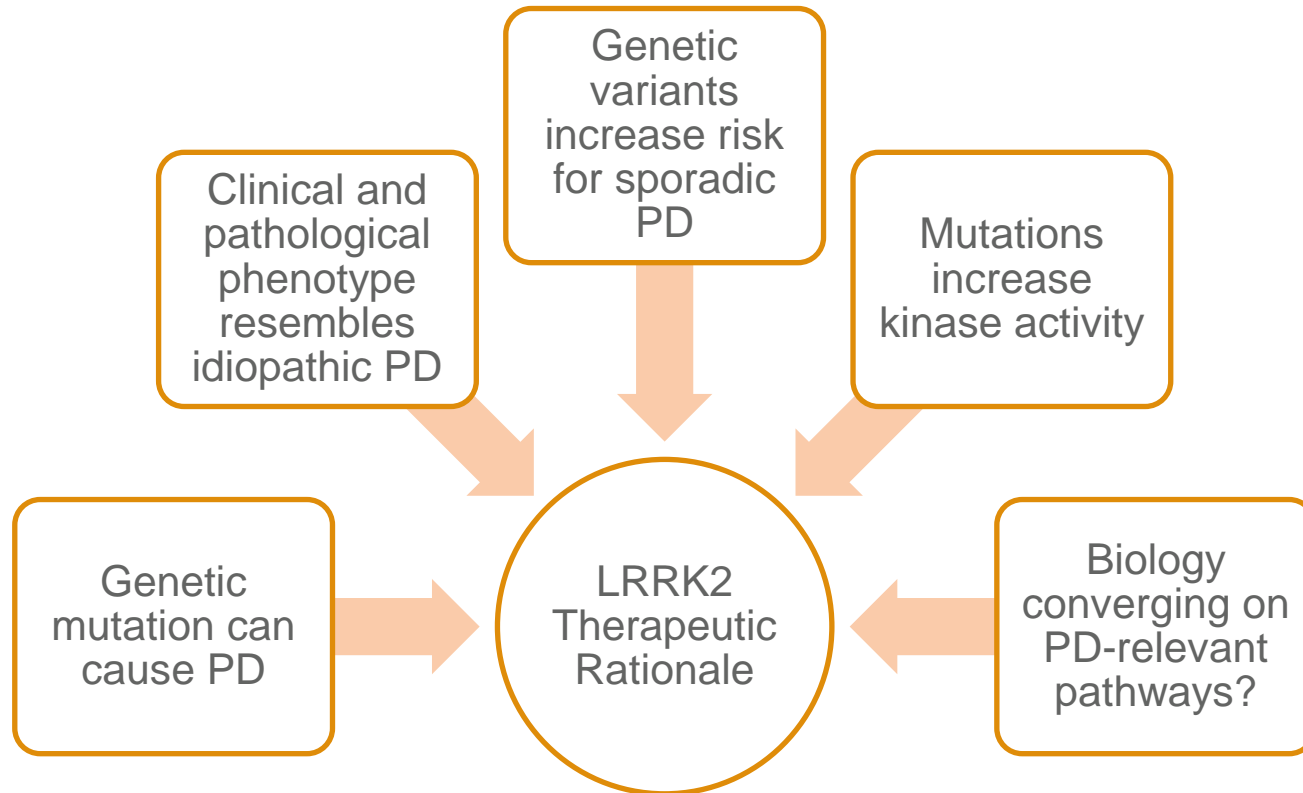
# PARKINSON'S IS AN INCREASINGLY COMMON BRAIN DISEASE



Today one million people in the United States and more than five million worldwide live with Parkinson's. Those numbers will only **grow as our population ages**.



# RATIONALE FOR LRRK2 PARKINSON'S THERAPEUTIC DEVELOPMENT IS STRONG



**LRRK2 kinase inhibitors are currently a leading strategy for Parkinson's disease modification among multiple companies and academic centers**



# KINASES ARE DRUGGABLE!

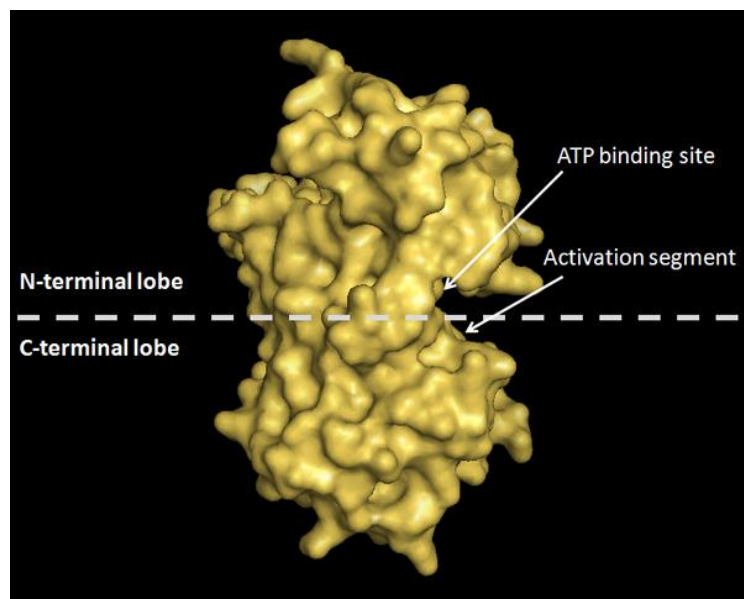
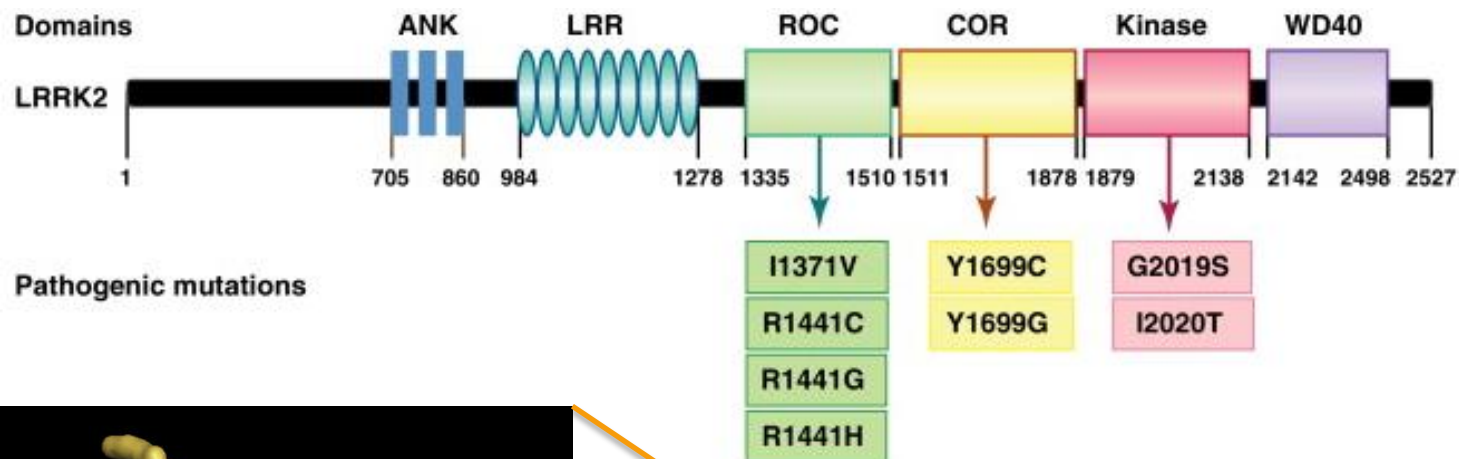
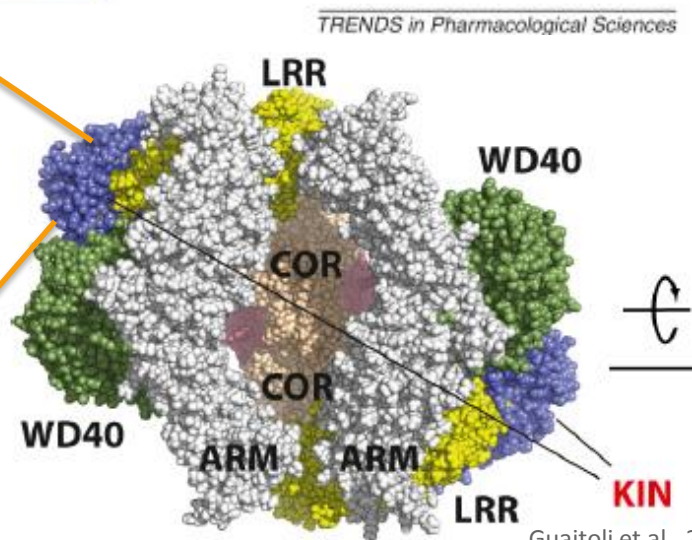


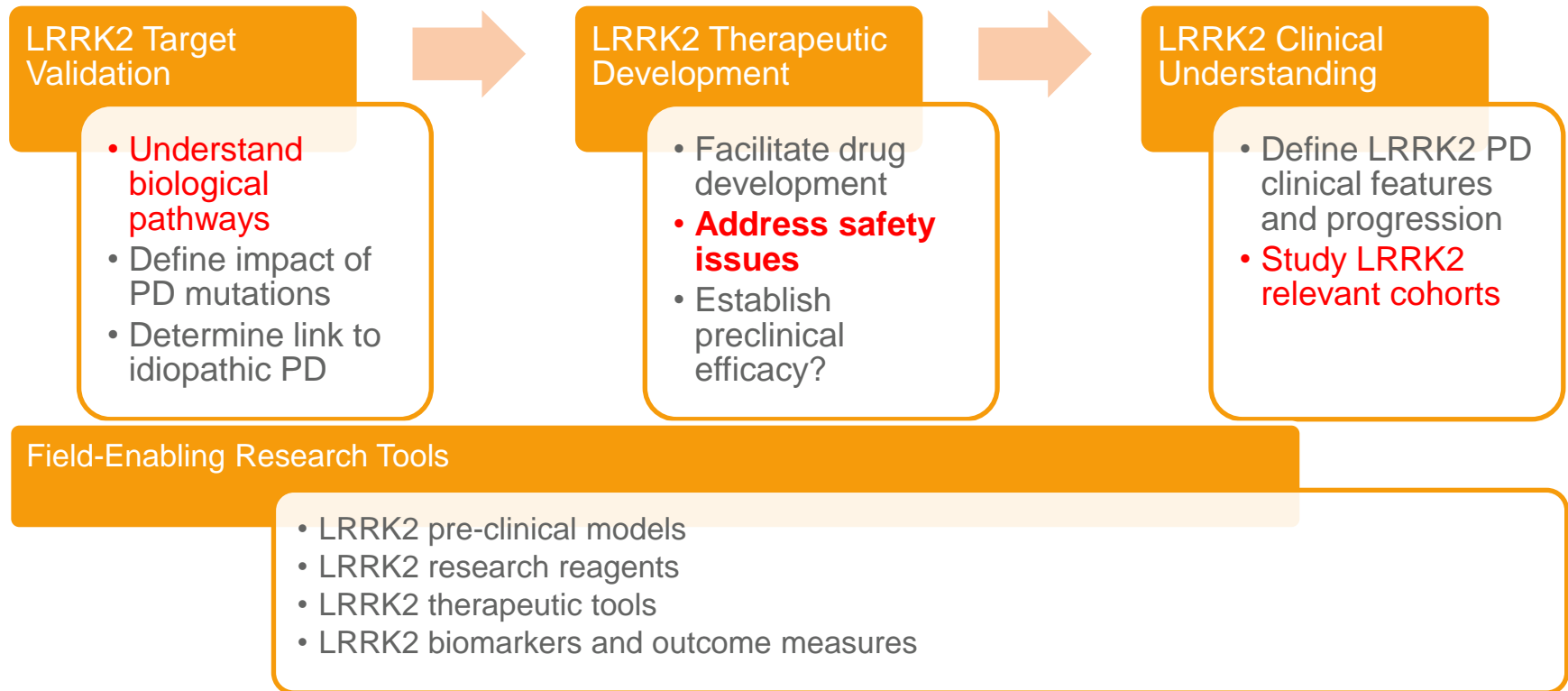
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1995



Guaitoli *et al.*, 2016 PNAS



# MJFF LRRK2 STRATEGY



**MJFF has made significant investments in translating LRRK2 into therapies for Parkinson's patients**





# **LRRK2 SUBSTRATE IDENTIFICATION**

# LRRK2 SUBSTRATE (RAB10) DISCOVERED!



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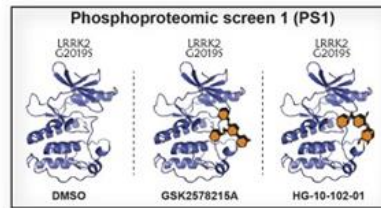


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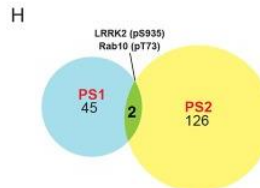
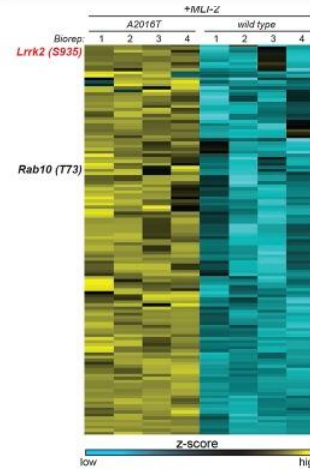
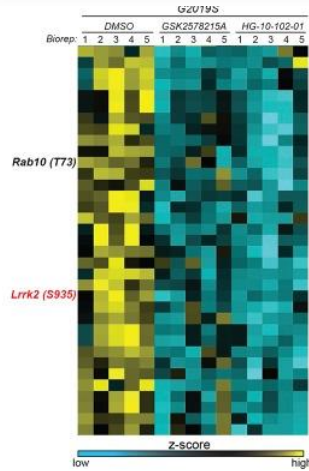
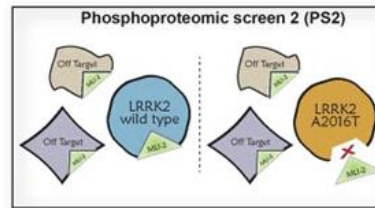


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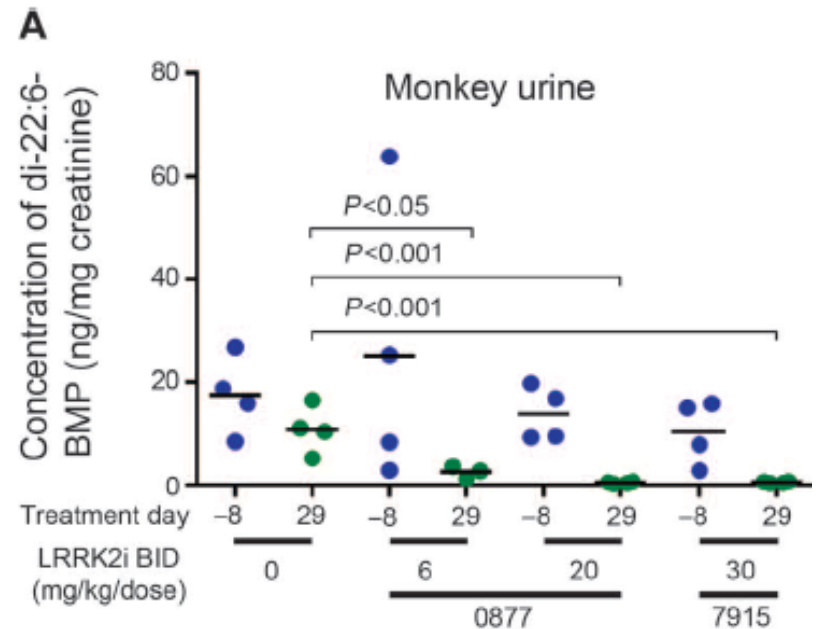
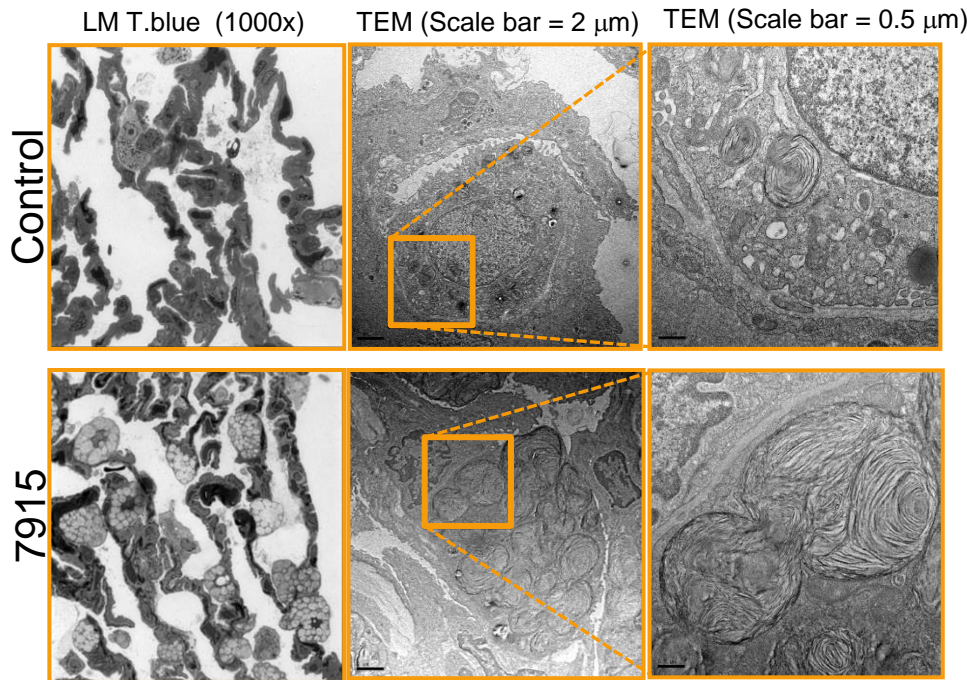
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# **LRRK2 SAFETY INITIATIVE**



# GNE7915 Induces Abnormal Accumulation of Lamellar Bodies in NHP Type II Pneumocytes and Reduces Urine di-22:6-BMP



Pulmonary abnormality resembles the phenotype of LRRK2 KO rodents, suggesting this is LRRK2-mediated rather than an off-target effect.

# LRRK2 SAFETY INITIATIVE WORK FLOW



***All groups in both aims:***

- Brain, lung and PBMC PK/PD for pS935-LRRK2/total-LRRK2
- Lung Histology

**AIM 1**



**AIM 2**



15 days dosing

Reversibility  
14d Wash-Out

Bis(monoacylglycerol)  
phosphate (BMP)  
Analyses

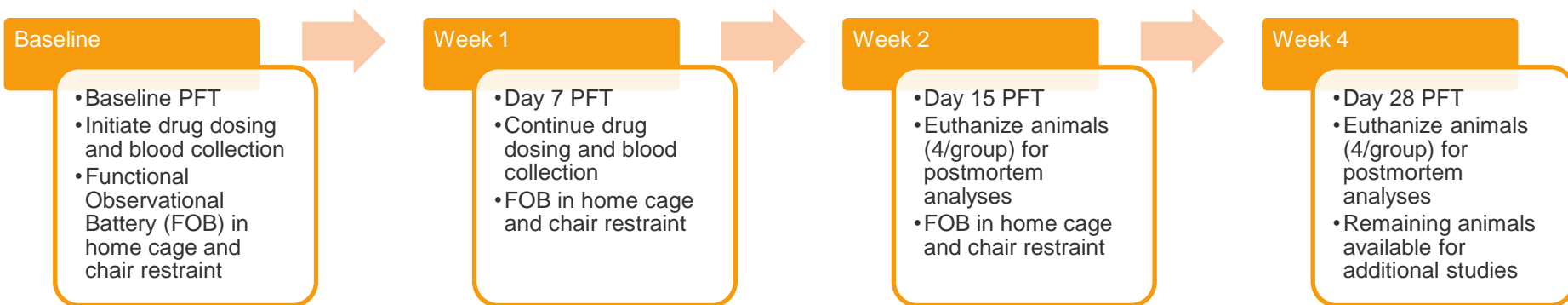
Lung Function  
Studies

Bronchoaveolar  
Lavage

MJFF established an unprecedented collaboration of major drug makers willing to collaborate to address key questions about the safety of LRRK2 kinase inhibitors



# AIM2: PULMONARY FUNCTIONAL STUDY WITH MLI-2 LRRK2 KINASE INHIBITOR



## ➤ Pulmonary Function Testing (PFT)

- Lung diffusion capacity for carbon monoxide (DLCO)
- Quasi-static lung compliance (Cqs10)
- Forced vital capacity (FVC)

## ➤ Bronchoalveolar Lavage

- Surfactant



# LRRK2 SAFETY SUMMARY

- Three distinct LRRK2 kinase inhibitors produced the previously reported lung histopathology (mild accumulation of lamellar bodies in type II pneumocytes) in NHPs - confirming an on-target lung effect.
  - No morphologic effects were seen with any LRRK2 inhibitor in brain or kidney.
  - GNE7915 effects on lung were **reversed** after 14d washout.
- Other LRRK2 kinase inhibitors induced lung histologic effects **only at high doses**, despite both low and high dose groups substantially decreasing LRRK2 activity by an pS935 PK/PD readout.
- MLi-2 effects on lung histology were **not** associated with functionally significant alterations in **any pulmonary functional endpoint** examined.
- Overall, these data suggest that the on target morphological changes observed in the lungs of LRRK2 kinase inhibitor treated NHPs may not prevent the clinical evaluation of the therapeutic potential of LRRK2 kinase inhibitors in PD.

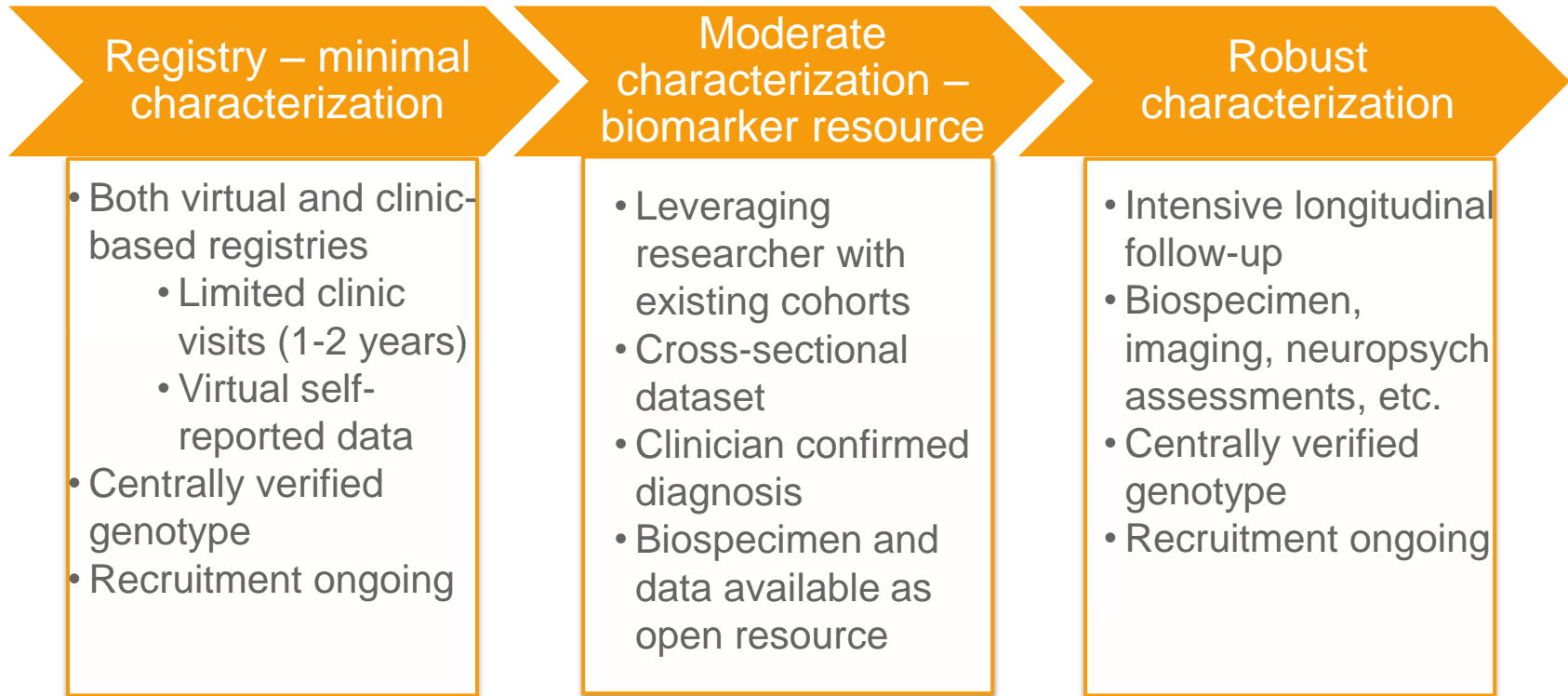




# LRRK2 COHORT IDENTIFICATION

# OBSERVATIONAL STUDIES OF LRRK2 COHORTS

Cohorts cover a spectrum of characterization



# MJFF LRRK2 DATA AND SPECIMEN RESOURCES

| Cohort  | iPD | LRRK2+ PD | LRRK2+ Carriers | Controls |
|---|-----|-----------|-----------------|----------|
| Parkinson's Progression Markers Initiative (PPMI) Genetic Cohort                |     | 92        | 96              |          |
| PPMI Genetic Registry   |     | 112       | 95              |          |
| LRRK2 Cohort Consortium (LCC) Cross-Sectional Study (clinical data and samples) | 70  | 170       | 160             | 200      |
| LCC Cross-Sectional Study (clinical data only)                                  | 720 | 750       | 660             | 300      |
| LCC Ashkenazi Jewish (AJ) Longitudinal Study                                    | 105 | 110       | 115             | 120      |
| LCC 23andMe Blood Collection Study (Limited clinical data)                      | 20  | 52        | 152             | 18       |
| LRRK2 Biobanking Initiative   | 11  | 2         | 2               | 6        |

**Please note:** The only clinical data available from 23andMe subjects are demographics (year of birth, gender, education, race, PD status, age at diagnosis, age at onset), LRRK2 status, limited family history, UPDRS Part II (excluding question 13), UPDRS Part IV (questions 5, 6, 8, and 11 only), UPSIT, and limited information on anti-inflammatory medications and head injury or concussion.



# MJFF LRRK2 DATA AND SPECIMEN AVAILABILITY

## Number of LRRK2 Carriers with Biospecimen Available at Baseline

| Cohort  | DNA | RNA | CSF | Whole blood | Plasma | Serum | Urine | Cell Lines | PBMCs |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-------------|--------|-------|-------|------------|-------|
| PPMI Genetic Cohort   | 74  | 169 | 151 | 167         | 166    | 168   | 166   | 5          | 0     |
| PPMI Genetic Registry   | 155 | 204 |     | 204         | 204    | 204   | 196   | 3          |       |
| LCC<br>(Cross-Sectional, AJ<br>Longitudinal, and 23andMe<br>Blood Collection Studies) |     | 296 | 69  | 336         | 322    | 256   | 259   |            |       |
| LRRK2 Biobanking<br>Initiative  |     |     |     |             |        |       | 4     |            | 4     |





# AS MORE DRUGS MAKE IT TO TRIALS, NEED FOR PD BIOMARKERS GROWS

## Parkinson's Progression Markers Initiative



PARKINSON'S  
PROGRESSION  
MARKERS  
INITIATIVE

Play a Part in Biomarker Research

- » Three study arms with different cohorts:
  - Recently diagnosed PD and controls: Completed enrollment in 2014
  - Risk factors of smell loss and RBD: Completed enrollment in 2015
  - People with genetic mutations, with or without PD: Recruiting
- » CSF, blood, urine, DNA, RNA, iPSCs
- » Learning more about how biology correlates to clinical experience

All data is made available at [www.ppmi-info.org](http://www.ppmi-info.org)



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