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Speakers today:

Amy Campbell, PhD Joel Chamberlain, PhD Dennis Shaw, MD Stephen Tapscott, MD PhD Leo H. Wang, MD PhD

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Director:
Jeff Chamberlain, PhD

Co-director:
Stephen Tapscott, MD PhD



- · Part of the MD-CARE Act of 2001
- · Established in 2003
- · Six NIH-sponsored centers
- Funded by the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases
- UR + UW: 2014-2018
- Two projects: one basic science, one translational research project
- · Our clinical project is focused on FSHD







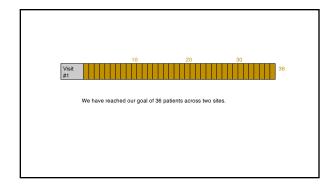
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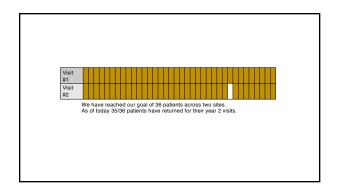
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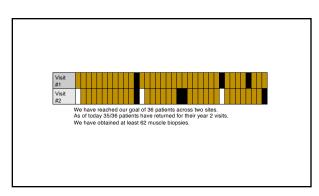


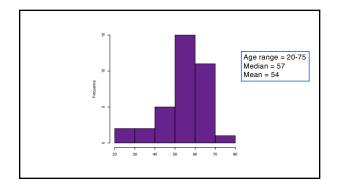
Wellstone Project 2

- 36 patients
- University of Rochester and University of Washington
- 23 males and 13 females
- At UW: Average 6 (range 4-9) D4Z4 units; all permissive haplotype
- Clinical Severity Score Median 5.5
- ~59 needle muscle biopsies









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First hour

- Genetics and biology of FSHD: Stephen Tapscott, MD PhD
- Searching for DUX4 in FSHD muscle: Joel Chamberlain, PhD
- MRI biomarkers in FSHD: Dennis Shaw, MD

Break

• Around 2:16

Second hour

- Clinical and pathological correlations in the FSHD Wellstone cohort: Leo H. Wang, MD PhD
- Drug Development for FSHD: Amy Campbell, PhD

Introductions and informal discussion

• Introduction to the FSHD researchers

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NIH U01 Tawil/Statland study on Clinical Trial Readiness to Solve Barriers to Drug Development in FSHD

FSHD Immunosuppressive trial

- Open label tacrolimus + prednisone
- Short: Three months
- Follow blood markers and radiological markers
- \bullet MRI before, in the middle, and after treatment
- PT and strength measurements

