## **HEALEY ALS Platform Trial**

Weekly Q&A – Sept 15, 2022

















### **Healey Center**

Sean M. Healey & AMG Center for ALS at Mass General







































## **Guest Speaker**

Tawfiq Al-Lahham, MD
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, PA
Platform Trial Site Investigator





### **UPMC ALS Center**

• 150-160 patients actively following in our center.

 Clinic supported by UPMC, ALS Association, MDA.



### Our Team

- Speech Therapy/ Augmentative Communication:
   Katya Hill, PhD, CCC-SLP
- Registered Dietician: Jacquelyn Klunk, MS, RDN, LDN
- Physical Therapist:
  Kathleen Brandfass, MS PT
- Social Worker:
   Monica L. Schirm, MSW LSW
- Clinic Coordinator:
   Michelle Hamilton, RN
- Physicians:
- David Lacomis MD. and Tawfiq Al Lahham MD.

- Speech Therapy/ Swallow Evaluation and Management:
   James L. Coyle, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-S
- Respiratory Therapist & Research Coordinator:
   Melissa Ilnicki, RRT, RPSGT
- Occupational Therapist:
   Alexandra Beschorner, OTR/L
- Clinical Psychologist:Elizabeth Radomsky, PhD
- Neuromuscular Nurse Practitioner:

  Rebecca Molczan, MSN, CRNP



### ALS Research

#### NIH

Identification of TDP-43 modifiers through single-cell transcriptional and epigenomic dissection of ALS and FTLD-MND.
 Christopher Donnelly Ph.D., LiveLikeLou Center for ALS
 The Section of ALS



 SWITCH Trial: Early feasibility study of BCI for augmentative communication. Stentrode<sup>TM</sup> feasibility & Safety in pts with neurologic disorders and severe weakness (ALS or Other)
 CMU, Pitt, Mt. Sinai, Synchron.



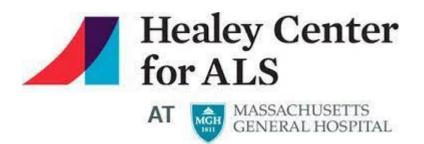


### ALS Research

- Clinical trials
  - HEALEY ALS Platform Trial, Regimen E:
    - UPMC site activated in July 2022
    - 3 patients enrolled
    - 5 patients in screening process.
  - Contact: Melissa Ilnicki,

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- Oral Edaravone
- Unfunded
  - High-definition Fiber Tractography (HDFT): A novel imaging modality to detect and quantify neuronal injury, UMN biomarker.







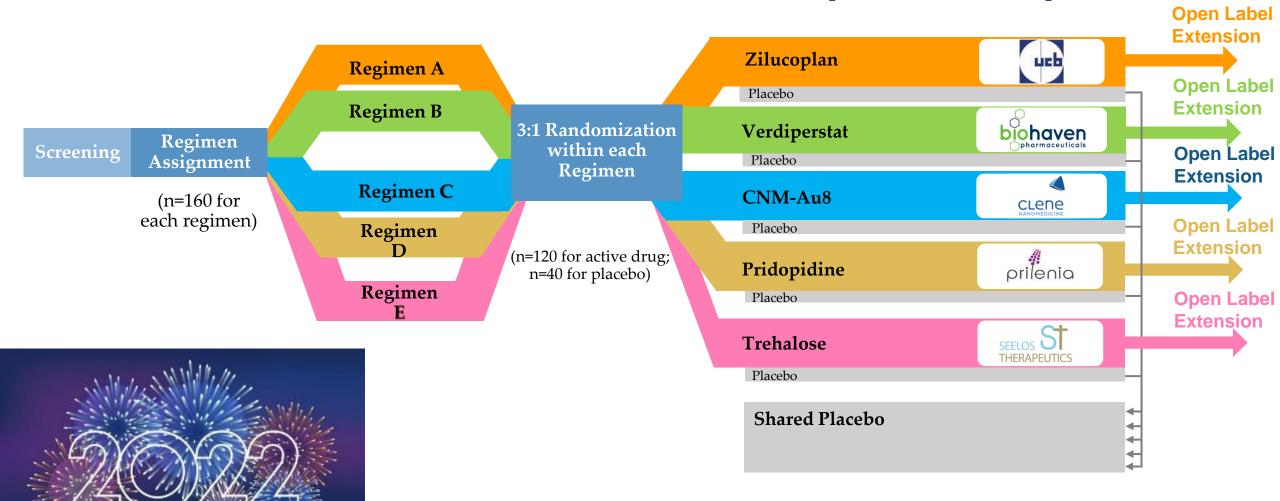


## Thank you





### The HEALEY ALS Platform Trial is a Perpetual Adaptive Trial



## Enrollment Updates (as of Sept 15, 2022)

• 138 individuals have signed informed consent

95 individuals have been randomized within Regimen E

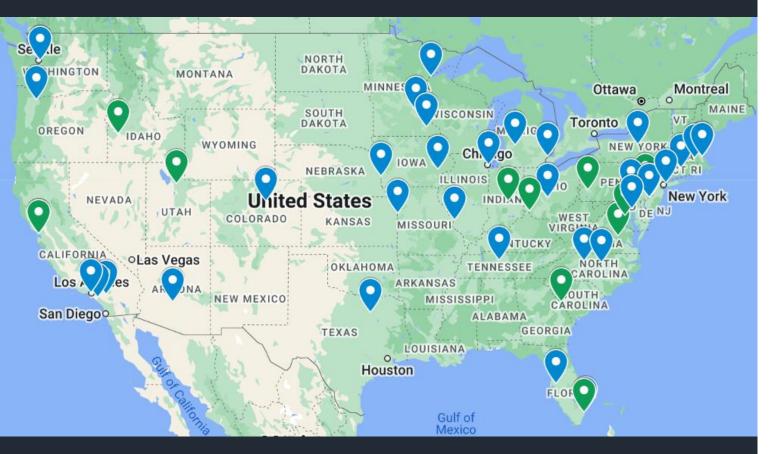


This breakthrough trial would not be possible without your participation

Your **partnership** in research is what keeps us filled with passion, dedication, and the commitment to uncover new promising treatments for ALS

**Every research participant, whether on the active drug or placebo, plays a critical role** in making the hope of finding a cure for ALS a reality

### 49 Sites Currently Activated for Regimen E



(as of 9/15/22)

Sites in blue participated in previous regimens. Sites in green (underlined to the side) are new additions to the Platform Trial!

- Lehigh Valley Health Network
- Mass General Hospital
- University of Kansas
- University of Maryland
- California Pacific Medical Center
- ✓ Northwestern University
- Virginia Commonwealth University
- University of Nebraska
- ✓ Washington University
- Hospital for Special Care
- Saint Alphonsus Regional
- University of Massachusetts
- ☑ Duke University
- Barrow Neurological Institute
- Georgetown University
- Texas Neurology
- Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
- SUNY Upstate
- Spectrum Health
- Henry Ford Hospital
- Essentia Health
- University of Southern California
- University of South Florida
- University of Colorado
- Providence Brain and Spine
- University of Minnesota
- Loma Linda University
- University of Iowa
- Swedish Medical Center
- Ohio State University
- University of Cincinnati
- Thomas Jefferson University

- UC San Francisco
- Mayo Rochester
- University of Washington
- Vanderbilt University
- ✓ UPMC
- Indiana University
- Augusta University
- University of Utah
- Holy Cross Hospital
- Penn State Hershey
- ☑ University of CA, Irvine
- Cedars Sinai Medical Center
- University of Pennsylvania
- Nova Southeastern University
- 🗹 Johns Hopkins University
- Columbia University

#### Site Map & Contacts:



https://bit.ly/3g2NZr5

# Patient Navigation Central resource for people living with ALS



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Weekly webinar registration:



https://bit.ly/3r6Nd2L

**ALS Link sign-up:** 



https://bit.ly/3o2Ds3m

### **Upcoming Guest Speakers:**

September 22<sup>nd</sup>- Mariah Connolly and Meghan Hall (Site Monitors for the Platform Trial)
September 29<sup>th</sup>- Michael Elliott, MD, FAAN (Site Investigator at Swedish Medical in WA)
October 6<sup>th</sup>- Catherine Douthwright, PhD, CCRP (University of Massachusetts, Worcester)



The ALS Association/Northeast ALS Consortium Educational Webinar

Update on Healey ALS Platform Trial Regimen E: Trehalose for ALS



### **Register Below:**



https://bit.ly/3dhQvff

Recording will later be available under "educational webinars" on neals.org