

# HEALEY ALS Platform Trial

Weekly Q&A – Nov 4, 2021



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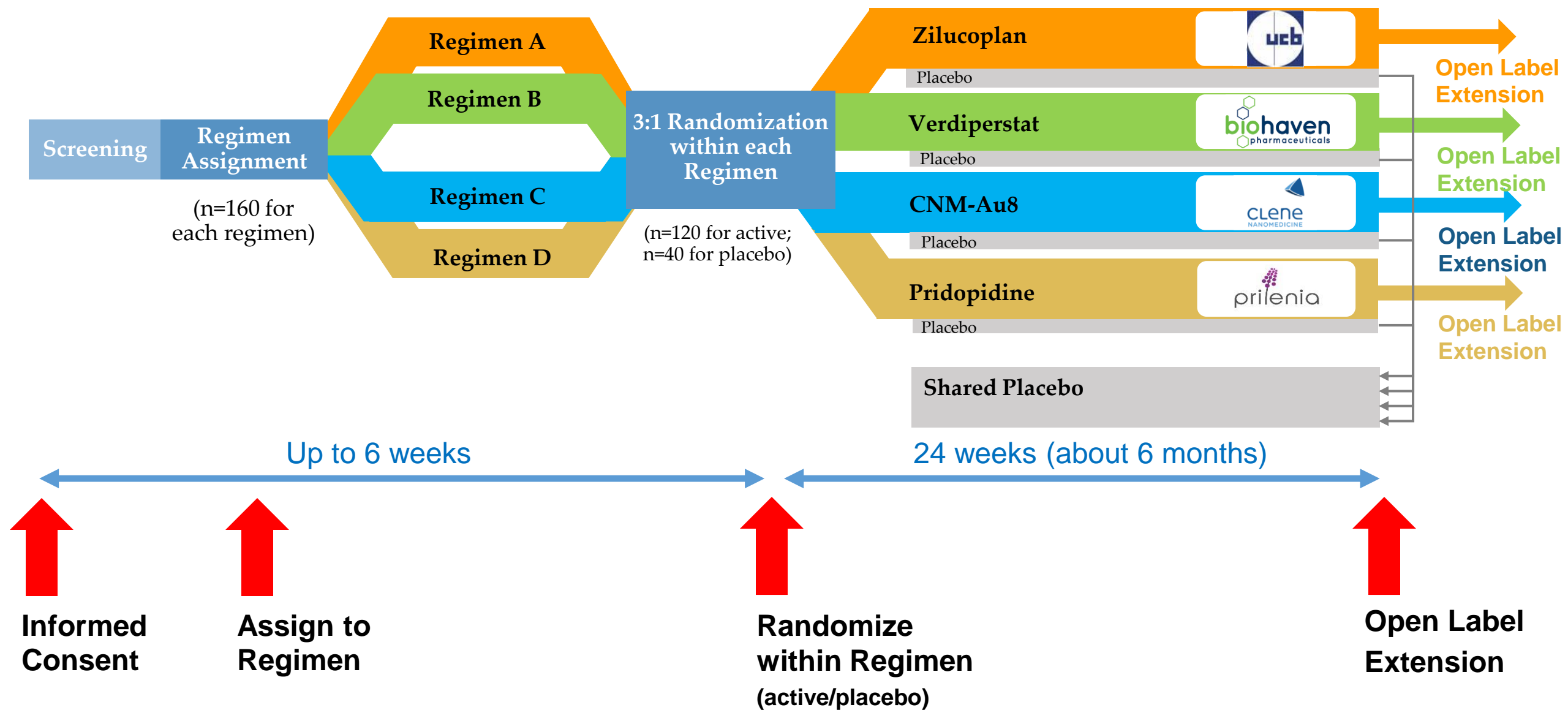


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# Perpetual Adaptive Trial

## Shared Placebo; Randomization Ratio 3:1

### Open Label Extension (OLE) offered



# HEALEY ALS Platform Trial

## Enrollment Updates (as of November 4, 2021)

- **851** individuals with ALS signed informed consent
- **675** individuals were assigned to a regimen
- **605** individuals were randomized within a regimen (active or placebo)
- **263** have entered the Open Label Extension (OLE)
  
- **160** individuals were randomized within Regimen A
- **167** individuals were randomized within Regimen B
- **161** individuals were randomized within Regimen C
- **117** individuals were randomized within Regimen D

# Guest Speakers

**Robert Glanzman, MD, FAAN**  
Chief Medical Officer  
Clene Nanomedicine, Inc.



**Michael Hotchkin**  
Chief Development Officer  
Clene Nanomedicine, Inc.



**Lori Chibnik, PhD, MPH**  
Assistant Professor & Biostatistician  
Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health & MGH



# Guest Speakers

**James Berry, MD, MPH**  
Regimen C, Co-Lead Investigator  
Massachusetts General Hospital

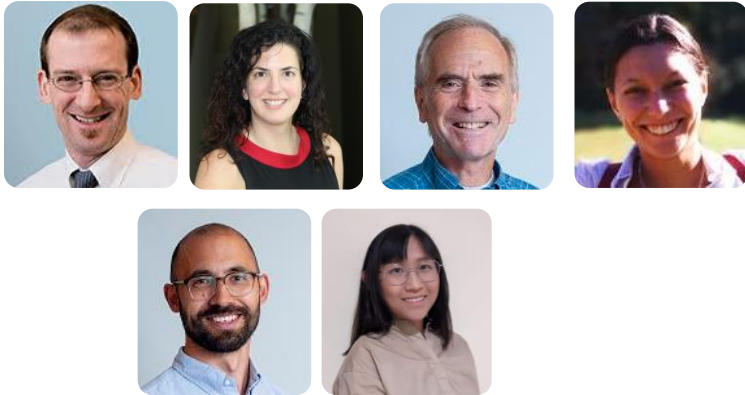


**Nicholas Maragakis, MD**  
Regimen C, Co-Lead Investigator  
Johns Hopkins University



# Trial Statisticians

## MGH Biostatistics



Eric Macklin, PhD; Lori B. Chibnik, PhD, MPH;  
Douglas Hayden, PhD; Marie-Abele Bind, PhD;  
James Chan, MA; PoYing Lai, MS



## Berry Consultants



Michelle Detry, PhD; Melanie Quintana, PhD;  
Ben Saville, PhD; Matteo Vestrucci, PhD



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# **INTRODUCTION TO BIOSTATISTICS WEBINAR SERIES**

# Impetus

- Curated questions from
  - Past webinars
  - Facebook sessions and AMA
  - Emailed questions

If someone re-randomizes into a second regimen, is it possible then could be randomized into placebo 2x?

How come trials are set up in a way to “prove statistical significance”, but even when they are deemed “positive”, they are not “significant” ENOUGH for the FDA?

What determined n=160 as the magic number for each regimen?

How does the platform randomization work given that there are 3 drugs that have over 200 patients enrolled, the placebo, and now Pridopidine is new with just 1 patient?

For the next round, will the current placebo data be combined with that to be acquired in the next round?

One of the slides mentioned a non-statistically significant difference. Can you explain that please, since you were so positive on the positive results.

How are deaths included in the statistical analysis of adverse consequences if the death is from ALS and not trial complications?

Can you explain to people how the FDA's statistical penalty works for manufacturers who decide to do an interim analysis and how you or a manufacturer decides if they will be doing those in the Healey trials?



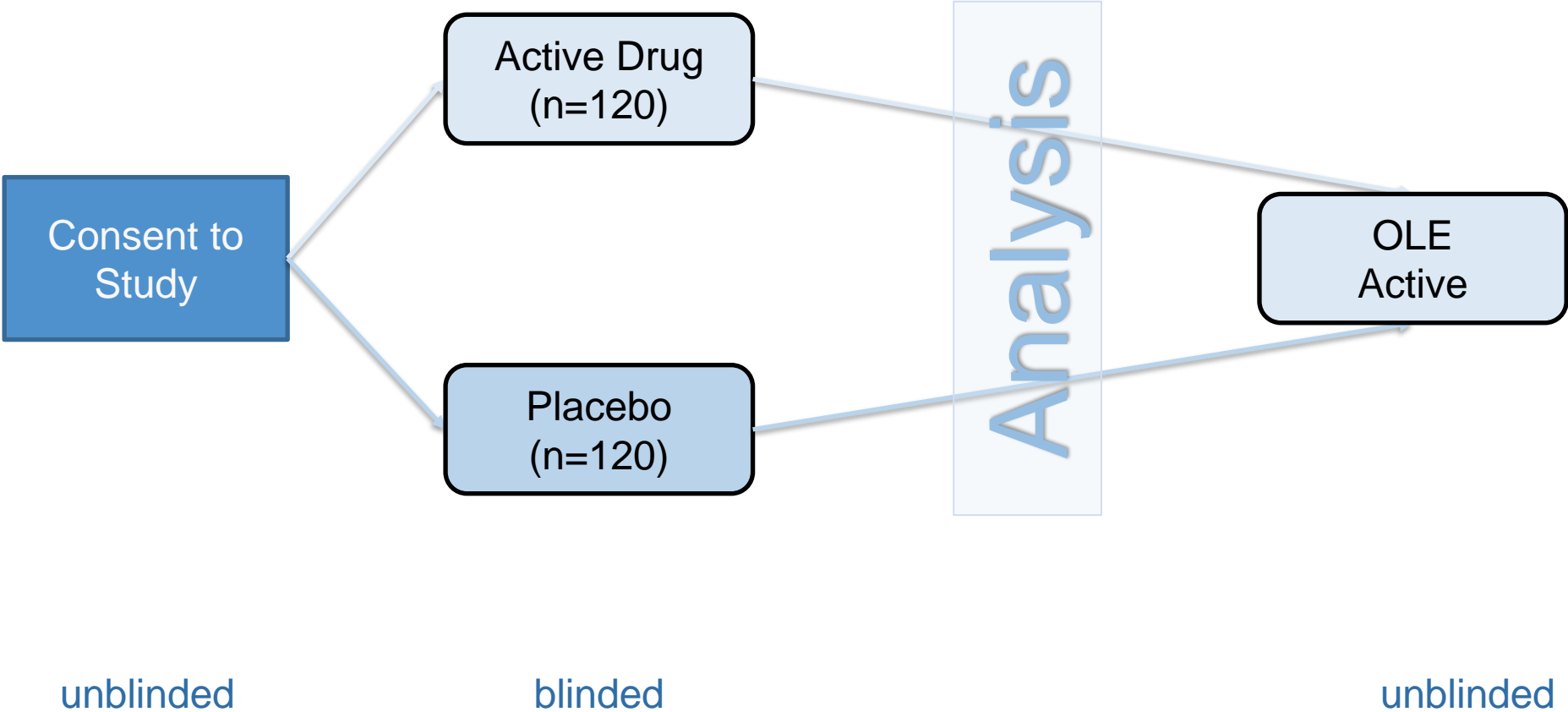
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**TO THINK LIKE A BIOSTATISTICIAN**

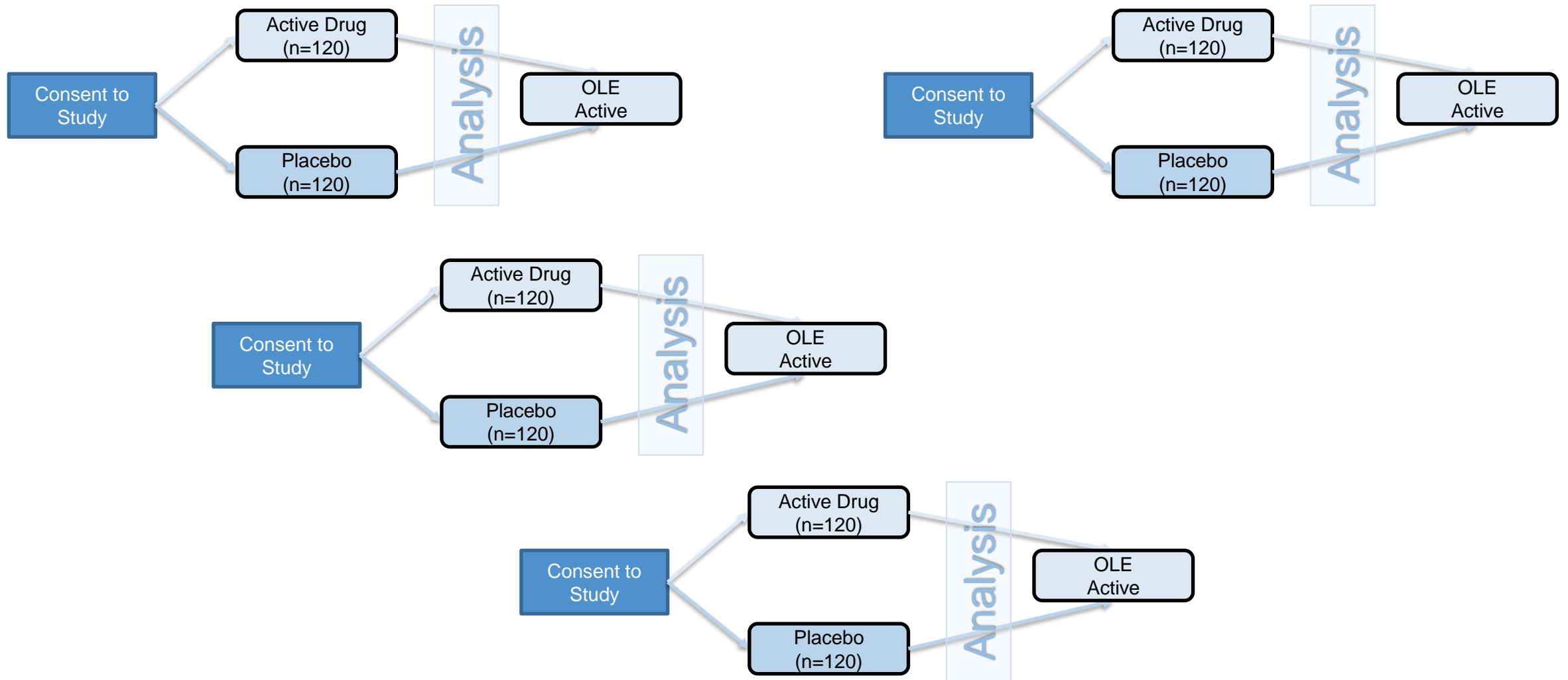
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# **ALS PLATFORM TRIAL THROUGH THE EYES OF A STATISTICIAN**

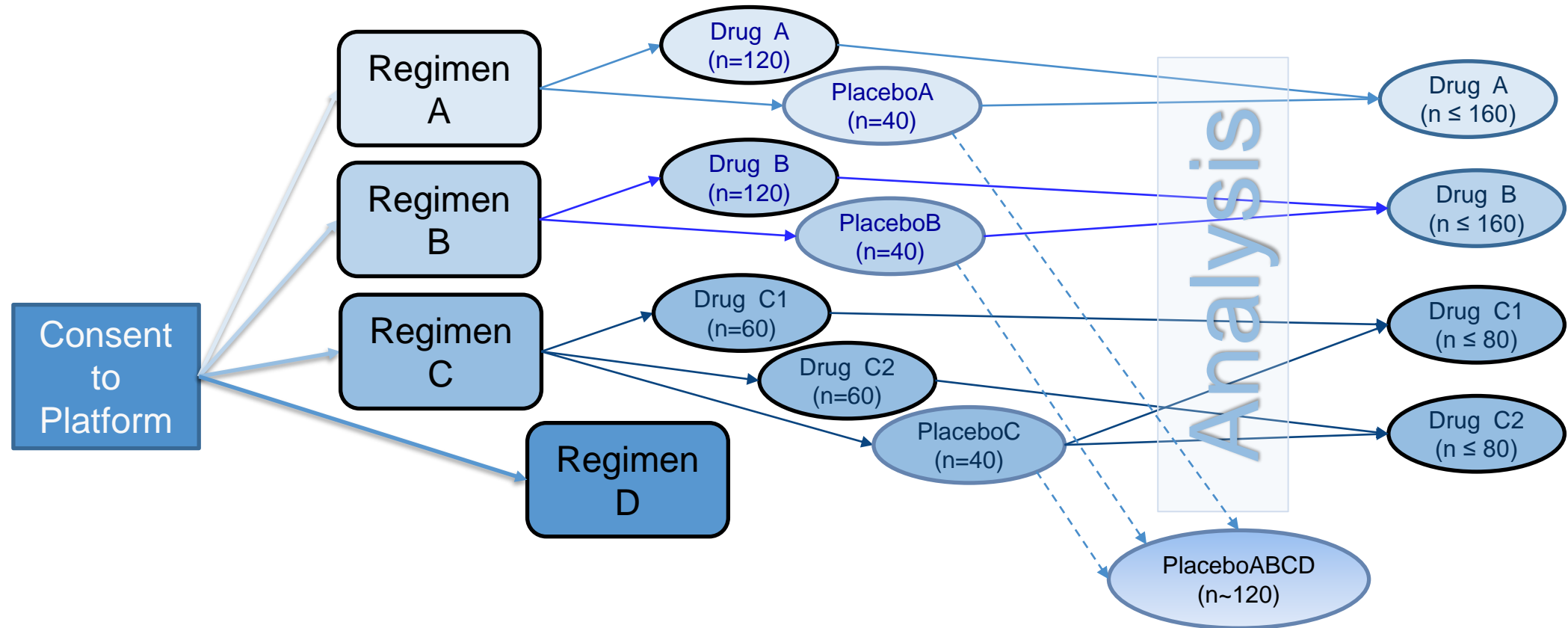
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# Healey ALS Platform trial



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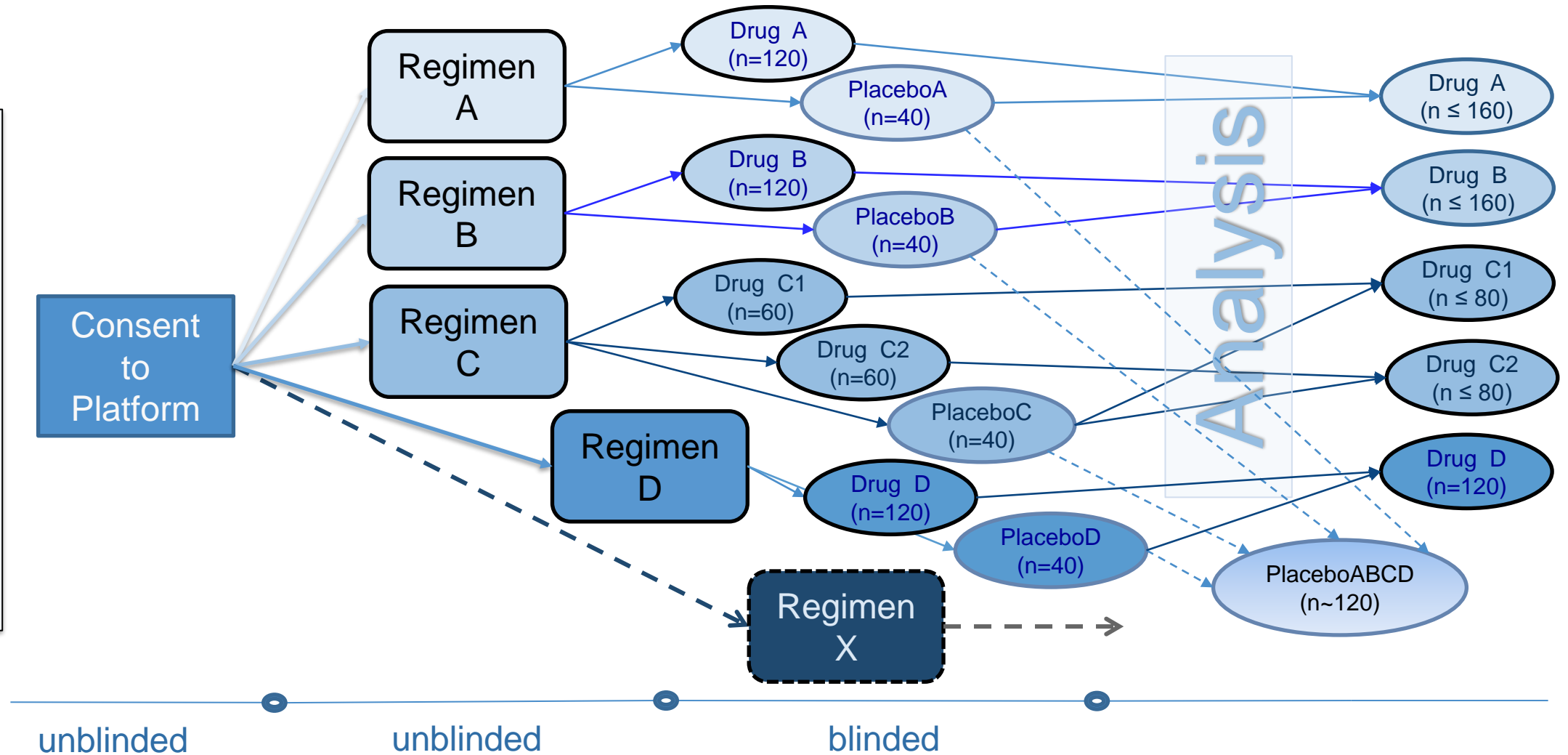
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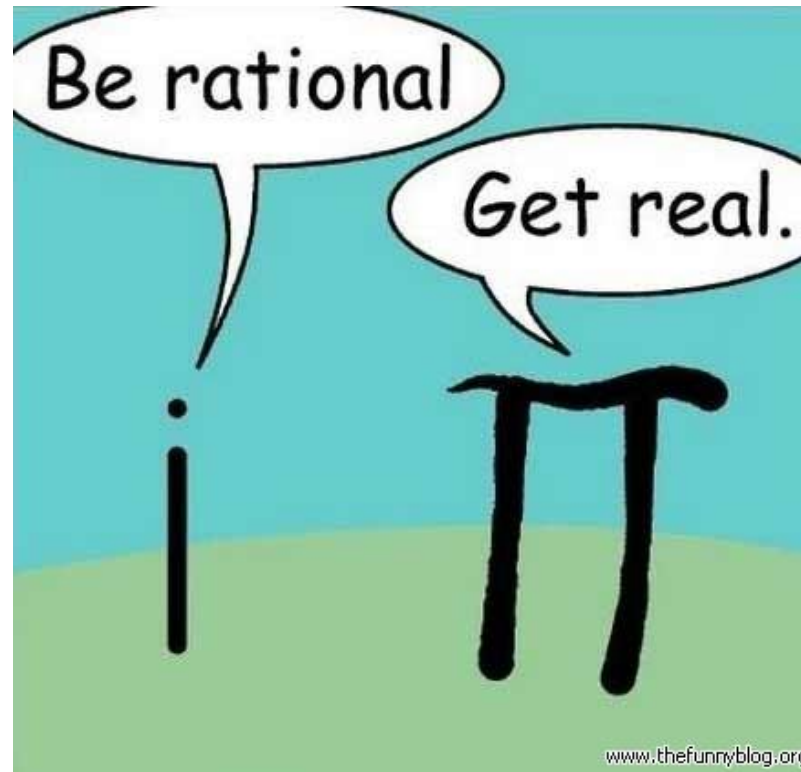
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# Healey ALS Platform trial

Study design  
'clinically meaningful' results  
Sample Size  
Randomization



# Questions?



# Planned topics

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- Why and when Placebos are important
- Statistical Significance
- Randomization
- Determining optimal sample sizes
- Statistical tests used in ALS clinical trials and how they are modified for a platform design
- The statistics behind biomarkers discovery and use