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# **Warrior Families: Advancing Regenerative Medicine Through Science**

Thursday, October 5, 2023, 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. ET

**Office of Therapeutic Products (OTP)  
Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER)  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)**

**Hosted by:**

Anne Rowzee, PhD

Senior Policy Advisor, PSPS, OTP, CBER, FDA

## Webinar Agenda

- 11:00 a.m.** Welcoming Remarks — Dr. Nicole Verdun, OTP Director
- 11:05 a.m.** Presentation — Advancing Regenerative Medicine for Angelman Syndrome Through Science (Allyson Berent, DVM)
- 11:30 a.m.** Panel Discussion
- 11:55 a.m.** Q&A
- 12:10 p.m.** Closing Remarks

## Introduction: Dr. Verdun



### **Nicole Verdun, MD**

Director, Office of Therapeutic Products  
Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research  
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# RegenMedEd Series

- OTP's event series about regenerative medicine
- Goals of the RegenMedEd Series:



Discuss foundational information about regenerative medicine therapies, including gene therapy and cell therapy



Explore opportunities to engage with FDA and advance regenerative medicine research and drug development



Hear from FDA, patients, advocates, researchers, and other important stakeholders about their experiences

## Virtual Meeting Considerations

- The webinar will be recorded and available online after the event.
- Closed captioning is available in Zoom.
- Use the Q&A box to submit questions throughout the event.
- Use the chat box to share general comments and report technical difficulties.

## Introduction: Dr. Allyson Berent



**Allyson Berent, DVM, DACVIM**

Chief Science Officer

Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics  
(FAST)



# Warrior Families: Advancing Regenerative Medicine For **Angelman Syndrome** Through Science

How parents and patients  
are taking the lead

Allyson Berent, DVM, DACVIM



# Allyson Berent, DVM, DACVIM

- Chief Science Officer for the **Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics**
- Co-Director at **Angelman Syndrome Biomarker and Outcome Measure Consortium**
- Co-Director at **INSYNC-AS: International Angelman Syndrome Research Council**
- Chief Development Officer at **Mahzi Therapeutics**
- Veterinary Internal Medicine Clinician Director at Interventional Endoscopy
- **Mother of Quincy**





# Disclosures

- Co-founder, former COO, and equity shareholder of GeneTx Biotherapeutics recently acquired by Ultragenyx Pharmaceutical
- Consultant for Ultragenyx Pharmaceutical
- Consult and advise drug development initiatives for numerous AS programs and other rare disease organizations
- Member of N=1 Collaborative

# A Journey

Patient Journey

Clinician Journey

Community Journey

Industry Journey

A holistic Journey?



Allyson Berent

# A Day in the Life



one single day of one single girl

A day in the life of a child with Angelman Syndrome. To view this video, and the entire online presentation, visit <https://www.fda.gov/news-events/fda-meetings-conferences-and-workshops/warrior-families-advancing-regenerative-medicine-through-science-10052023>, timestamp 00:09:57.

# Patient Journey

- How do you spell “Angelman syndrome?”
- ALL THE NOT’s!!!!
- What WILL she be able to do?
- What is the prognosis for survival?
- How do I give her the best life and advocate for all she is capable of?
- How do I ensure she is accepted and lives the most independent and fulfilled life?
- **I MUST ADVOCATE FOR QUINCY**
- **I MUST LEARN and EXECUTE IF I CAN CHANGE HER TRAJECTORY**

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# Patient Journey (cont.)

- I can't do this...and I don't want to!
- What kind of mother am I?
- How do we handle this as a family?
- How do we navigate the world of disability?
- How do I manage a life of therapy and a full-time job?
- There must be a solution to this problem!
- **“KNOWLEDGE IS POWER”**
- **“THINGS ARE EITHER POSSIBLE OR IMPOSSIBLE AND THERE IS NO INBETWEEN”**

I MUST BE **BRAVE**

I MUST BE **SMART**



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# Clinician Journey

- Called every senior author on every publication
- Attended every scientific conference I could
- Something was very clear!
- **This is a great decade to be a mouse with Angelman syndrome!**
- Translational science was outside of the wheelhouse of many scientists in the space
- **We MUST NOT WAIT FOR A TREATMENT → We must help shepherd one**
- **I MUST BE A CLINICIAN**



# Angelman Syndrome:

Monogenetic, Non-degenerative, Random, Neurologic Disorder

Maternal allele (M)

Paternal allele (P)



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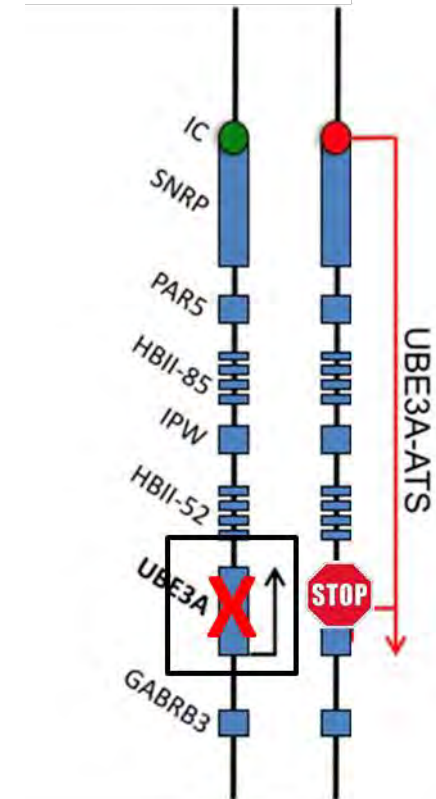


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Maternal allele (M)

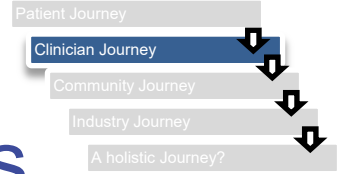
Paternal allele (P)



N. Khatri et al. *Front. Mol. Neurosci.* 2019

**Imprinted Gene=Paternal silenced**

# Clinical Manifestations of AS are Severe, with Lifelong Impact on the Patient and Their Caregivers



## Symptoms of AS

- Universal lack of speech
- Life-threatening/debilitating seizures
- Severe developmental delays
- Ataxia/incoordination
- Apraxia/Dyspraxia
- Sleep disturbances/severe insomnia
- Feeding issues/GI issues
- Aggressive/disruptive behavior
- Unable to live independently
- **Significant clinical unmet need**

## Impact on Family

- Inability to maintain employment
- Anxiety
- Depression
- Stress
- Loss of sleep
- Social isolation
- Impact on family relationships
- Difficulty caring for other children/home
- Fatigue



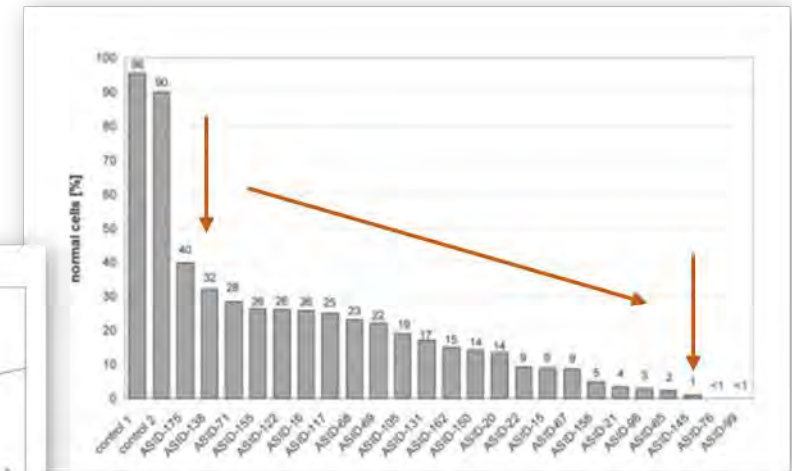
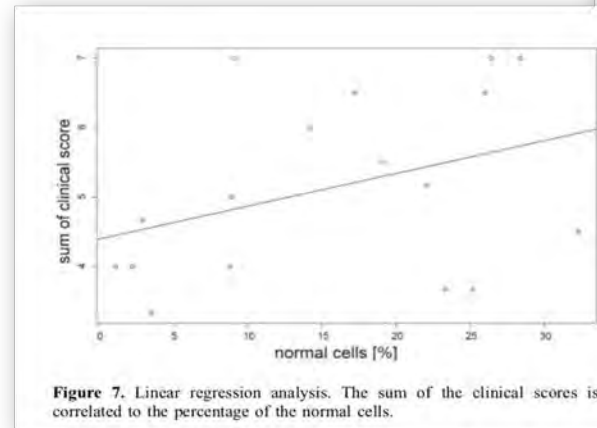


# Strong Hypothesis to Support Human Translation

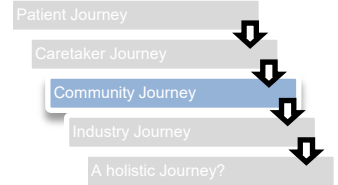
- **1-5%** UBE3A → few-no seizures, ambulatory, some ataxia, some speech
- **~20%** UBE3A → no seizures, ambulatory, minimal to no ataxia and speak in sentences
- **>40%** not reported to be symptomatic

*Human Molecular Genetics, 2004, Vol. 13, No. 21  
doi:10.1093/hmg/ddh296  
Advance Access published on September 22, 2004*

## Somatic mosaicism in patients with Angelman syndrome and an imprinting defect



# Community Journey



- October 2015 joined the BoD as CSO → **FAST**
- Consortium of scientists with therapeutic focus since 2008
- Consider ALL therapeutic strategies
- Scientifically de-risk each approach
- Different approaches may benefit different populations
- Create a **Roadmap to a Cure** → **YOU NEED AN ASK!**
- The largest influx of funds to translate 6 platforms from bench to human candidate for GO/NO GO Decisions → **\$5.8 million**
- **WE *MUST* DO THIS IN 24 MONTHS**

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## Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics (FAST) Receives \$5.8 Million Grant from Marnier-Lapostolle Foundation to Fund and Accelerate Promising Science Through to Clinical Trials

NEWS PROVIDED BY  
Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics (FAST) →  
Sep 06, 2016, 12:34 ET

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DOWNERS GROVE, Ill., Sept. 6, 2016 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- The Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics (FAST) today announced a \$5.8 million grant from the Marnier-Lapostolle Foundation, to be funded over the next twelve months, for development of therapeutic candidates to treat Angelman Syndrome (AS), a rare but debilitating disorder which impacts 1 in 15,000 individuals. The gift aims to accelerate the path to clinical trials and ultimately FDA approval in order to bring a cure to the children and families affected by this disorder.

"Angelman Syndrome, a monogenetic, neurological disorder, is the premier candidate for gene therapy intervention," said Paula Evans, Chairperson of FAST. "This extraordinary gift from the Marnier-Lapostolle Foundation will allow us to validate our proof-of-concept studies and move them through the development pipeline more rapidly."

FAST has instituted a bold, two-year plan to advance frontline discoveries through preclinical development with a particular focus on gene therapy and gene editing technologies.

"Although Angelman Syndrome is a rare disorder, the causative gene has been shown to be involved in more common disorders such as Autism, Alzheimer's disease and Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)," said Allyson Berent, Chief Science Officer for FAST. "It is our hope that this significant gift from the Marnier-Lapostolle Foundation will have a tremendous impact on all neurological disorders."

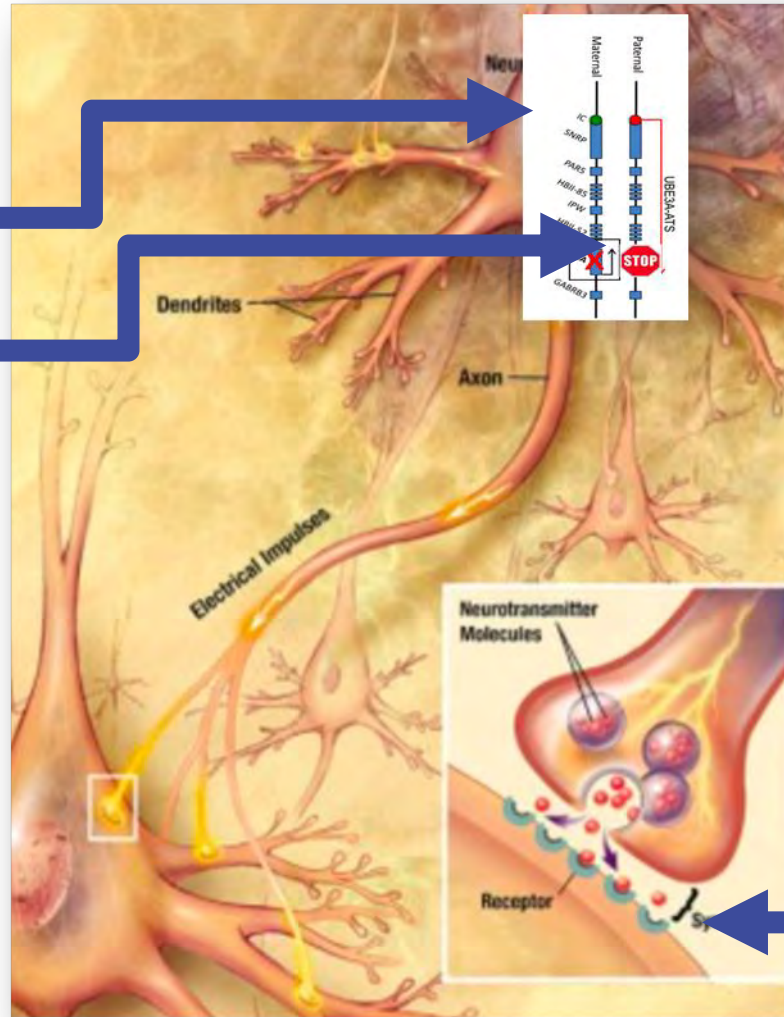
# FAST's Roadmap for Success: 4 Pillars

## Investigate therapeutic strategies

- 1 Gene/Protein Replacement Therapy
- 2 Paternal Gene Activation

## 4 PREPARE!

- Create/Characterize animal models
- Biomarkers and outcome measures (ABOM)
- Clinical Trial Design/Execution
- Genotype specific testing



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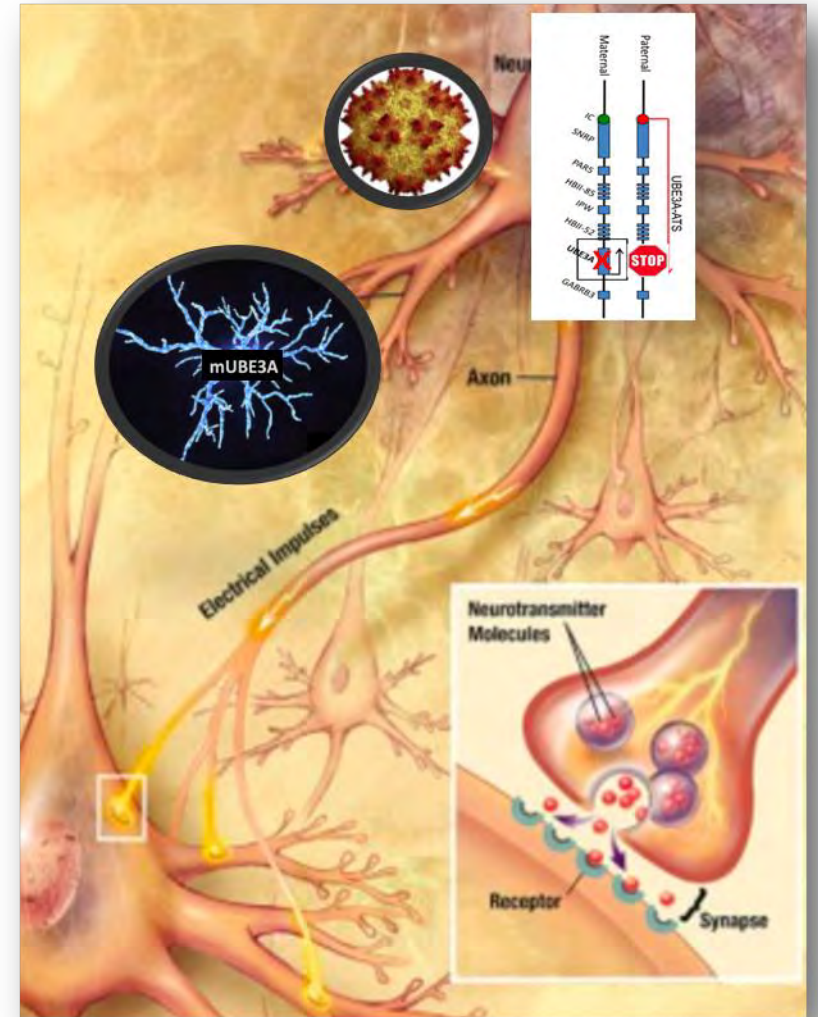
## Identify Symptomatic Treatments

- Down stream therapeutics
- Symptomatic relief

# Gene/Enzyme Replacement Therapy

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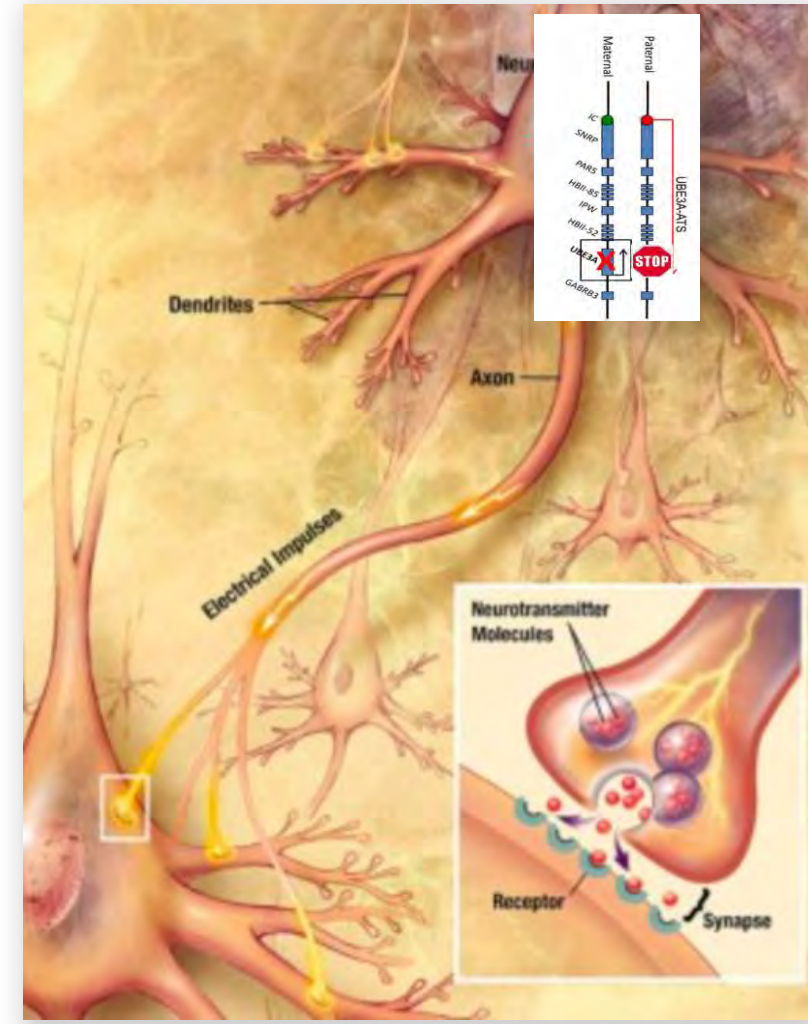
- **AAV** in AS model: published in a mouse model in 2011 (Daley et al. 2011)
- **HSC-LV-GT (autologous ex-vivo GT):** AS mouse model 2021 (Adhikari et al. 2021)
- **ERT (enzyme replacement therapy)**
- 4+ additional programs being actively pursued toward clinical trials for Angelman syndrome



# Paternal Activation Via Antisense Knockdown

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- **Topoisomerase inhibitors**  
 B. Philpot et al. Topotecan. Nature; 2011
- **ASOs (antisense oligonucleotides)**  
 A. Beaudet et al. Nature; 2015  
 S. Dindot et al. 2021
- **Artificial Transcription Factors (Zinc Fingers)**  
 D. Segal et al. Molec Therapy; 2016
- **shRNA/miRNA**
- **CRISPR**  
 M. Zylka et al. UNC 2019  
 J. Wilson et al. UPenn 2020



# Rotarod (8 to 9 weeks of age)

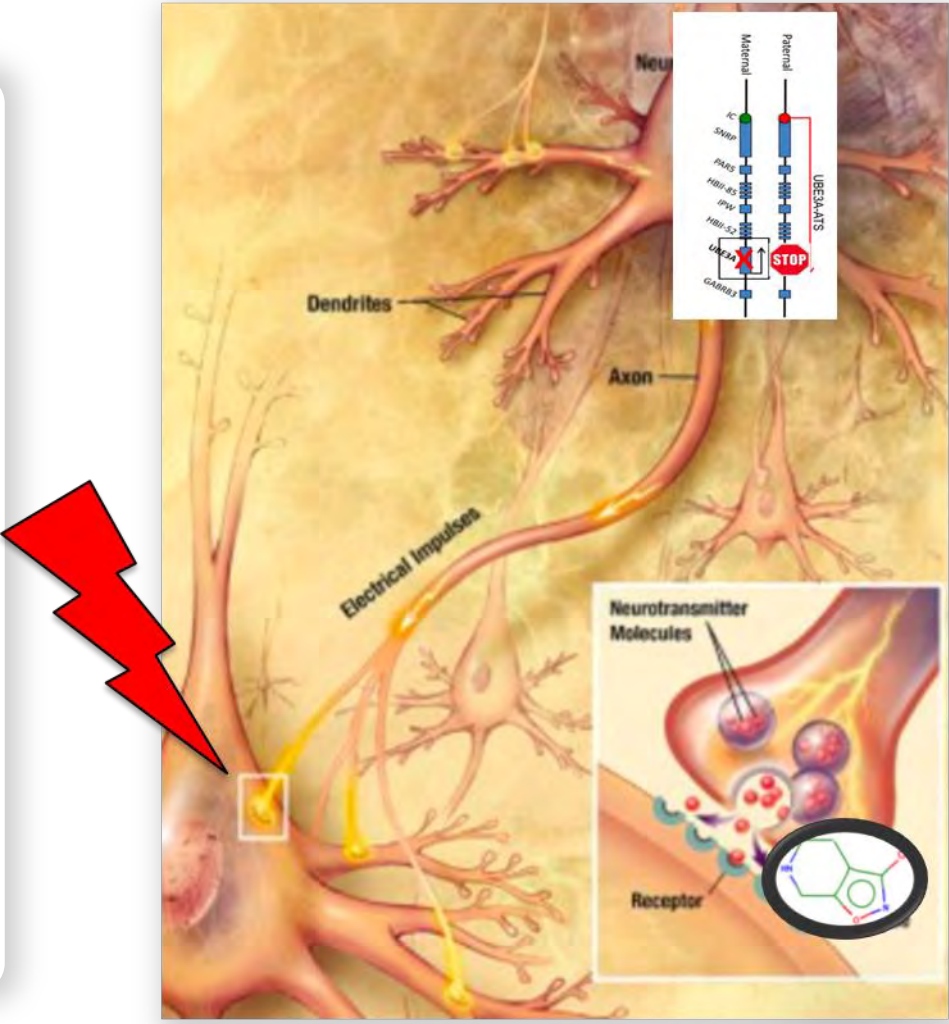


In a Rotarod test, an adult AS mouse treated with CRISPR paternal activation outperformed an untreated AS mouse and performed as well as or better than a wild mouse. To view this video, and the entire online presentation, visit <https://www.fda.gov/news-events/fda-meetings-conferences-and-workshops/warrior-families-advancing-regenerative-medicine-through-science-10052023>. The Rotarod test video is at timestamp 00:26:43.

# Downstream Therapeutics

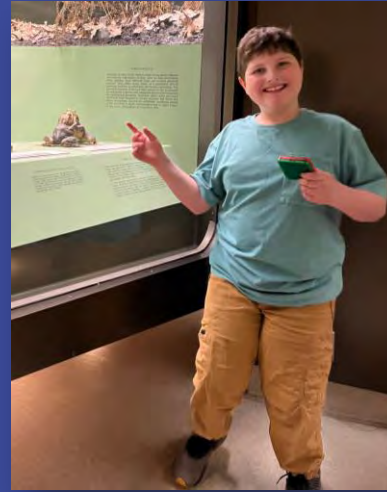
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- **Ketone Supplements**  
Ciarlone, Weeber et al. Neurobio Dz; 2016; Carson et al. 2021
- **IGF-1, 2 Ligands**  
Cruz E et al. Autism Research; 2020
- **BDNF Analog**  
Cao C et al. PLOS Biol; 2014
- **GABAA- $\alpha$ 5 positive allosteric modulator**  
Restore deficient GABAergic signaling  
Improves tonic inhibition



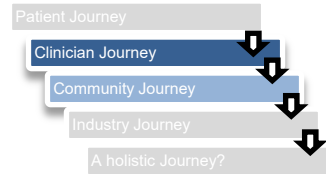


## 4 Preparing for Clinical Trials and Patient Access





# Efforts to Support Clinical Readiness for Innovative Therapies



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- **Developing models for all genotypes of AS**  
Rat/Pig/large deletion mouse +/- Ube3a/iPSC/organoids/Landing pads
- **INSYNC-AS: International Angelman SYNdrome Research Council**
- **NIH-funded NH study (2006-2014); FDA-funded NHS (2019-2022); ABOM funded 2022-2025 over 600 patients enrolled**
  - FAST UK, LatAm, Italy, Spain
- **Global Angelman Syndrome Registry (GASR)**  
>2300 patients enrolled
- **Linking AS and Dup15q Data for Expanded Research (LADDER)**  
~332 AS patients enrolled (ASF/Dup15q Alliance)
- **FAST Global-Search and Rescue Initiative**  
>2000 patients enrolled
- **Newborn Screening Efforts**  
Global patient identification initiative with centralized data access
- **Global COEs for Clinical Trials, Training, and Innovative Therapies for AS**  
F.A.S.T Rush Center for Translational Research
- **Angelman syndrome Biomarker and Outcome Measure Consortium (ABOM)**  
Developing AS-specific endpoints (e.g ORCA, Actimyo, CGI-AS)  
Disease concept model (Roche/ABOM): Willgoss et al. 2020

Child Psychiatry & Human Development  
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10578-020-01051-z>

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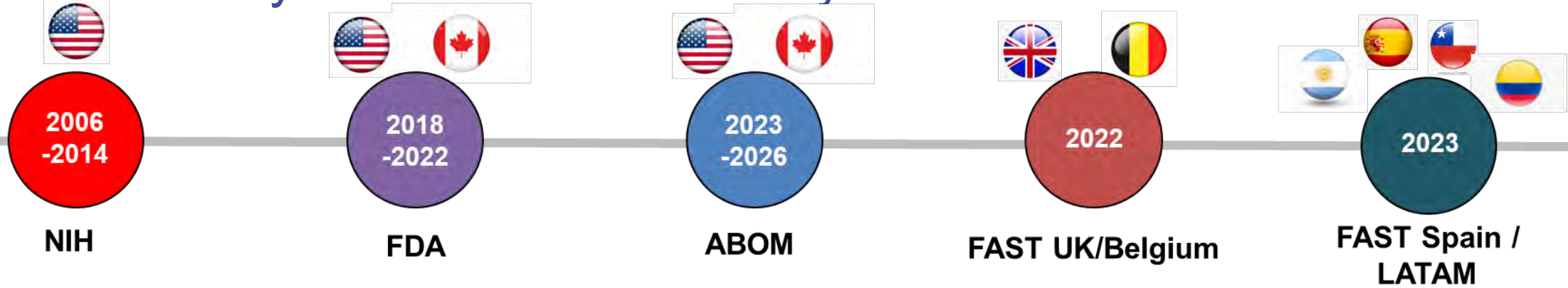
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### Measuring What Matters to Individuals with Angelman Syndrome and Their Families: Development of a Patient-Centered Disease Concept Model

Tom Willgoss<sup>1</sup> · Daiana Cassater<sup>2</sup> · Siobhan Connor<sup>1</sup> · Michelle L. Krishnan<sup>2</sup> · Meghan T. Miller<sup>2</sup> · Carla Dias-Barbosa<sup>3</sup> · Dawn Phillips<sup>4</sup> · Julie McCormack<sup>5</sup> · Lynne M. Bird<sup>6</sup> · Rebecca D. Burdine<sup>7</sup> · Sharon Claridge<sup>8</sup> · Terry Jo Bichell<sup>9</sup>

A Prospective Natural History Study of Angelman Syndrome: A Fresh Approach to a 10-year Longitudinal Study to Facilitate Development of Novel Therapeutic Products  
Tin, Wen-Han  
Boston Children's Hospital, Boston, MA, United States

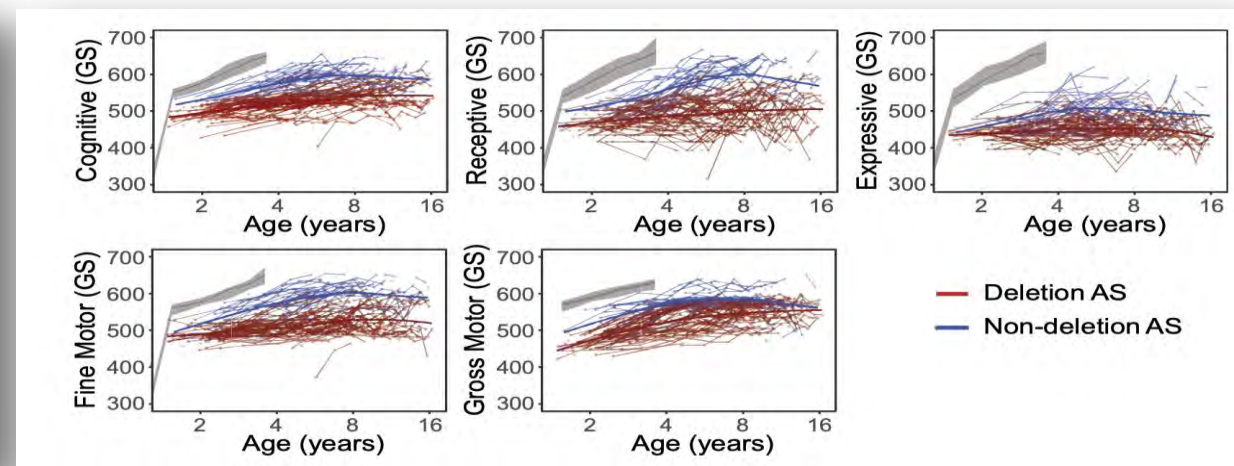
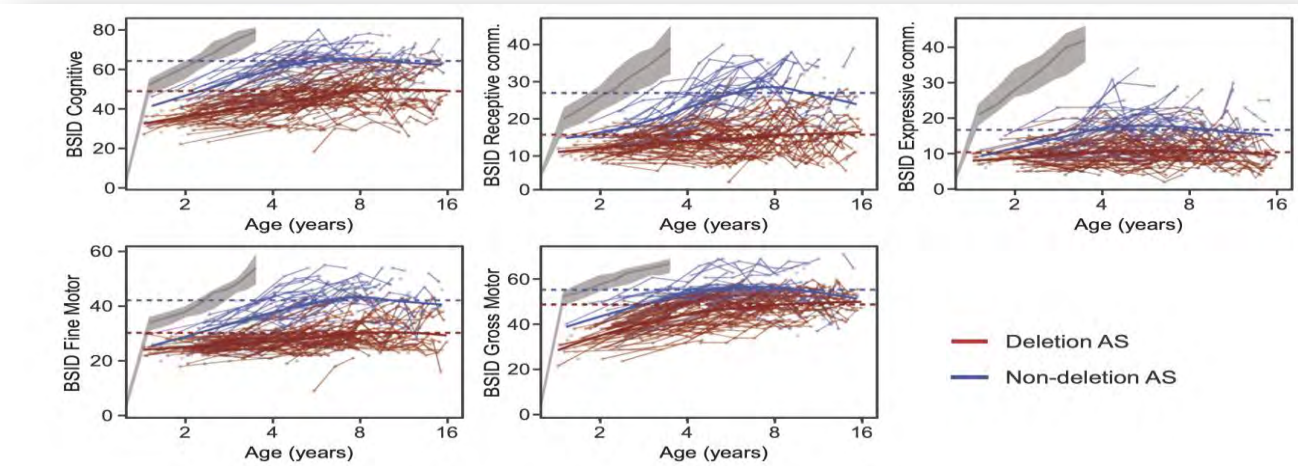
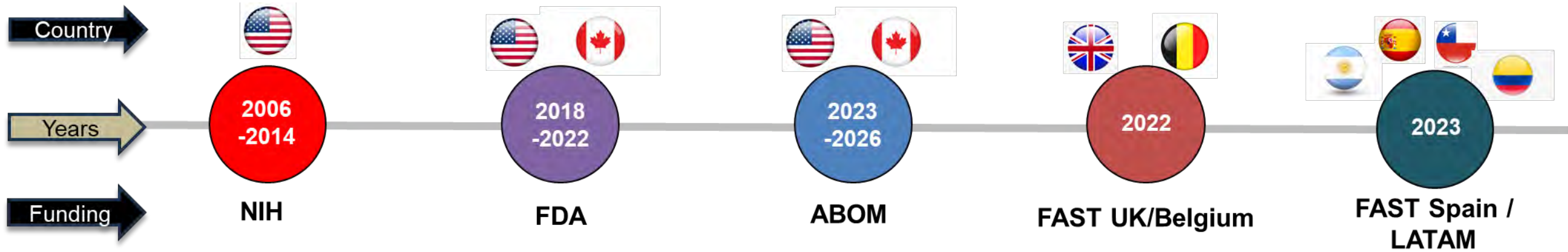
# Angelman Syndrome Natural History Studies since 2006



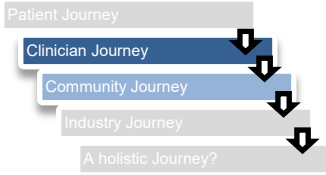
Assessment	All Patients	Pediatric Patients	Pediatric Patients	Adult Patients	Adult Patients
	At enrollment	Every 6 mos. <sup>a</sup>	Every 12 mos	Every 6 mos. <sup>a</sup>	Every 12 mos.
EEG	X	-	X	-	-
ORCA	X	X	X	X	X
Bayley-4	X	-	X	-	X
VABS-3	X	-	X	-	X
Sleep diary	X	X	X	X	X
Seizure diary	X	X	X	-	X
ABC	X	-	X	-	X
CGI-S-AS	X	X	X	X	X
QOL	X	X	X	X	X

30+ publications; 5 manuscripts submitted/in preparation

# Angelman Syndrome Natural History Studies since 2006 (continued)



\*special support by Drs. Wen-Hann Tan, Lynne Bird, Anjali Sadhawani, Anne Wheeler, Laurent Servais, et al.



# ABOM: History and Vision

**Est. 2016**

A pre-competitive and collaborative spirit

- 2 advocacy groups
- 5 academics
- 3 pharma companies

Focus on priorities for industry/gap analysis on endpoints and biomarkers

## Vision

- 1) **Parent/caregiver survey** to understand priorities by a larger number of global families through social media (2018)
  - 332 individual responses in 1 month
  - Demographics matched Global AS Registry
- 2) **Disease concept model** to understand the burden of disease, what is most meaningful and impactful to patients and their families (2018; 2020)
- 3) **Patient Focused Listening Session with FDA** (2018)
  - Invited to present the disease to the agency and discuss what the impact of this disease was on patients and caregivers
- 4) **Bring all partners to the table** to have pre-competitive understanding of correspondence with agency, needs of the families and meaningfulness of most sensitive and appropriate endpoints
- 5) **Gap analysis on Natural History Data** collected out of 6 US Institutions over 10 years
  - Different databases not integrated
  - Supporting data publication



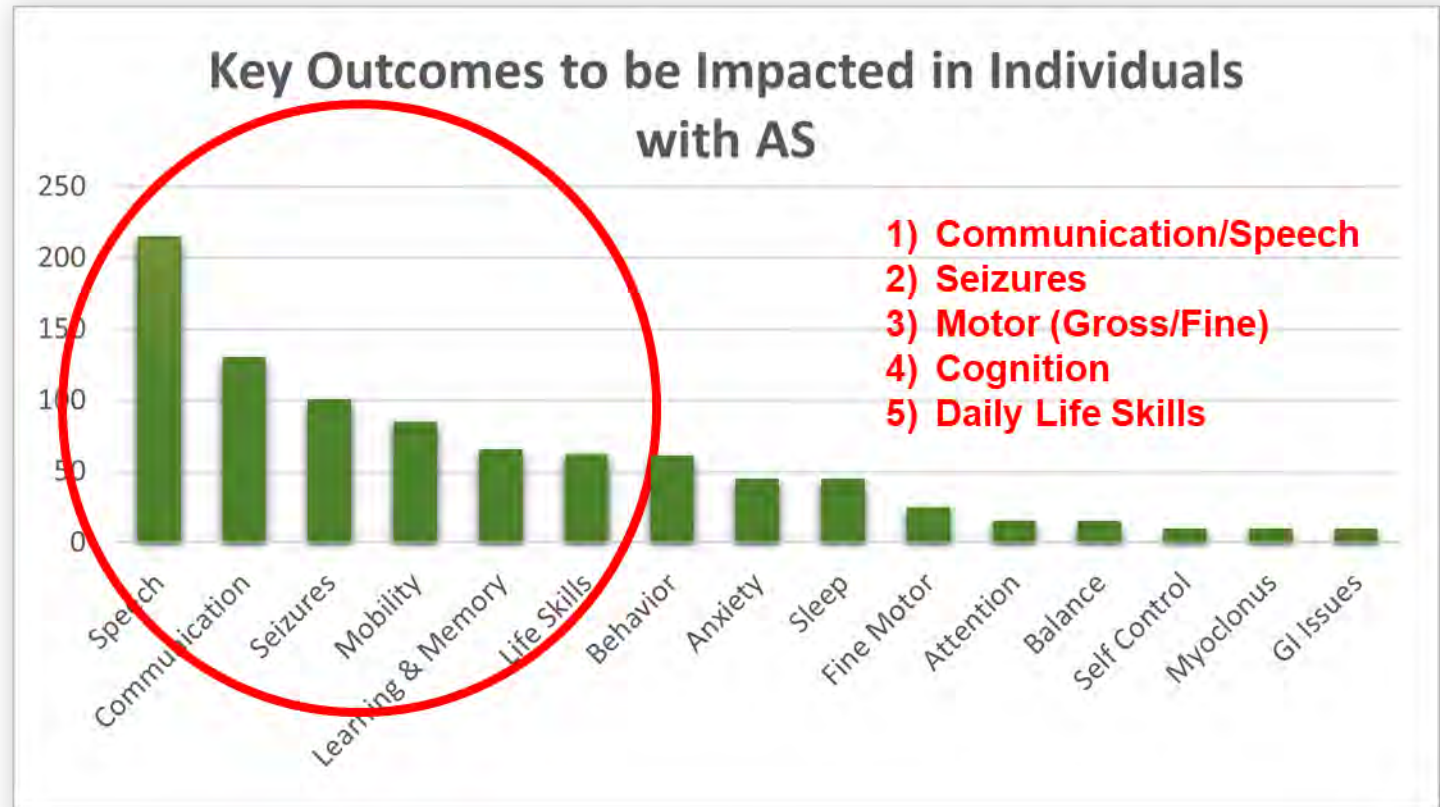
# Collecting Patient Experience Data

## Important Outcomes to Caregivers of Patients with AS

**Table 4** Caregiver-rated most challenging AS symptoms, by age group

Most challenging symptoms	Number of caregivers reporting this AS symptom was challenging, per AS age group		
	≤ 5 years	6–12 years	15–17 years
Communication impairment or decreased speech	<b><u>3</u></b>	<b><u>5</u></b>	<b><u>4</u></b>
Seizures	<b><u>5</u></b>	2	1
Disruptive behavior	1	<b><u>3</u></b>	1
Learning challenges	1	1	1
Walking difficulties	<b><u>3</u></b>	2	1
Sleep issues	<b><u>4</u></b>	2	1
Ability to use the toilet	1	<b><u>3</u></b>	1

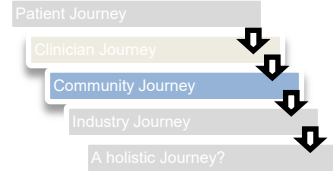
Bold, underlined numbers show where three or more caregivers reported this AS symptom as being challenging  
 AS Angelman syndrome



**FAST SM Survey 2018: N=332 parent/caregiver responders**  
 Collation courtesy of T. Bichell

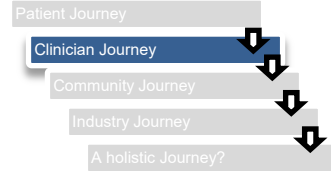
# Preparing Stakeholders for Trials

Patient Focused Listening Session 2018



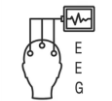
- FDA-requested patient-led initiative to share perspectives with the FDA
- June 2018: Meeting of FAST, CDER/CBER, Orphan Products, Rare Disease Staff, etc.
- Introduced FDA to patients and caregivers
- Education on AS, outcomes most important to caregivers, existing measures and limitations
- Clear message from parents that such changes would be clinically meaningful and dramatically impact their child's activities of daily living
- Encouragement to develop a novel communication PRO
  - Reeve et al. ORCA development for Angelman syndrome



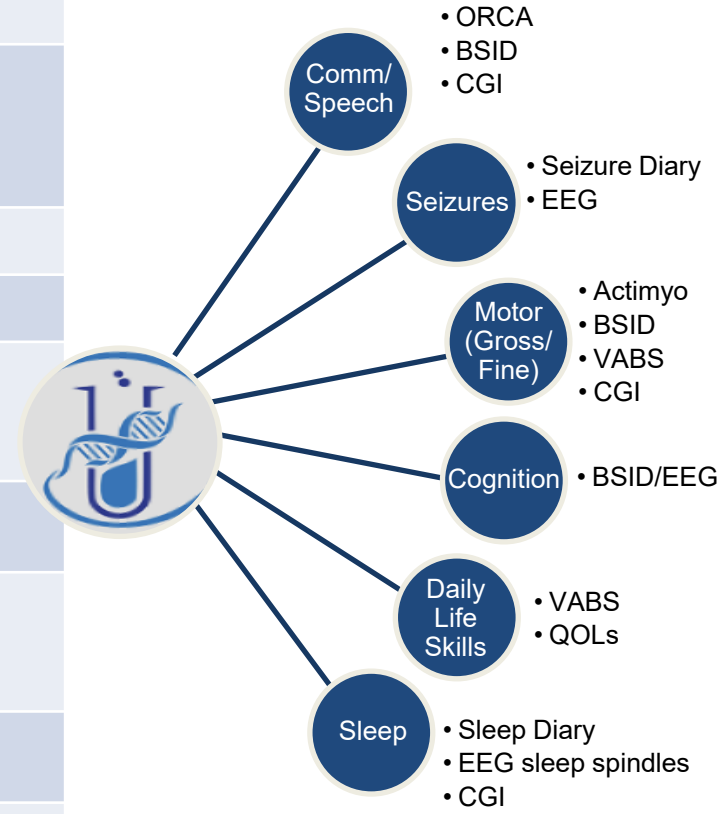
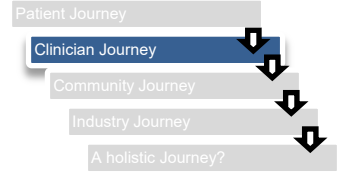


- Currently 42 Steering Committee Members including 4 PAGs, Academic KOLs and Industry partners
- Pre-competitive → NO CDA/NDA
  - Progress tremendously accelerated
- FAST committed \$1M per year to accelerate priority endpoints for all stakeholders to remain pre-competitive and ensure robust progress
- 3 (2016) → 5 (2018) → 13 (2022) Pharma on steering committee
  - (of 15+ invested in the space + 10+ academic programs)
- Quarterly meetings
  - Voices heard/seat at the table
- One scientific meeting a year for all ABOM consortia members (n=325)
  - Pilot studies
  - Clinical Research Abstracts
  - Progress based on priorities
  - **FDA engagement**
- Pre-competitive support to engage regulators and a community of industry, foundation, academics and clinicians



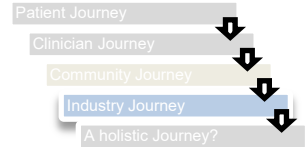


Focus Domain	Measures to consider	Measures specifically assessed for AS
<b>Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ORCA</li> <li>BSID-3, BSID-4</li> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>Communication Matrix</li> <li>ASVA</li> <li>CGI-AS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ORCA</li> <li>BSID-3, BSID-4</li> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>Communication Matrix</li> <li>CGI-AS</li> </ul>
<b>Fine Motor</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BSID-3, BSID-4</li> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>ASVA</li> <li>CGI-AS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BSID-3, BSID-4</li> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>CGI-AS</li> </ul>
<b>Gross Motor</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BSID-3, BSID-4</li> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>Actimyo</li> <li>GMFM</li> <li>ASVA</li> <li>CGI-AS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BSID-3, BSID-4</li> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>Actimyo</li> <li>CGI-AS</li> </ul>
<b>Global</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CGI-S-AS, CGI-I-AS</li> <li>Caregiver CGI-AS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CGI-S-AS, CGI-I-AS</li> </ul>
<b>ADL</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>ASVA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> </ul>
<b>QOL</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>QOL Inventory</li> <li>Caregiver Burden Inventory</li> <li>Parent Adjustment Questionnaire</li> <li>EQ-SD-Y</li> <li>Quality of Life Disability Measure</li> </ul>	
<b>Cognition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BSID-3, BSID-4</li> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>EEG</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BSID-3, BSID-4</li> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>EEG</li> </ul>
<b>Sleep</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sleep Diary</li> <li>EEG</li> <li>Wearables</li> <li>CGI-AS</li> <li>Sleep Mats</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EEG</li> <li>Sleep Diary</li> <li>CGI-AS</li> </ul>
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<b>Behavior</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VABS-2, VABS-3</li> <li>ABC-C</li> <li>BIAPAS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ABC-C</li> </ul>
<b>Biomarkers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EEG</li> <li>AERP</li> <li>APP (plasma)</li> <li>CSF: UBE3A others</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EEG</li> </ul>





# 2017: Everything Changed



## Human Neuronal Stem Cells



- *UBE3A-AS* knockdown by nearly 100% in human AS neurons after treatment with GTX-102 in vitro.
- Direct correlation with *UBE3A* RNA supporting robust re-activation of the paternal *UBE3A* gene.

## Rodent Testing



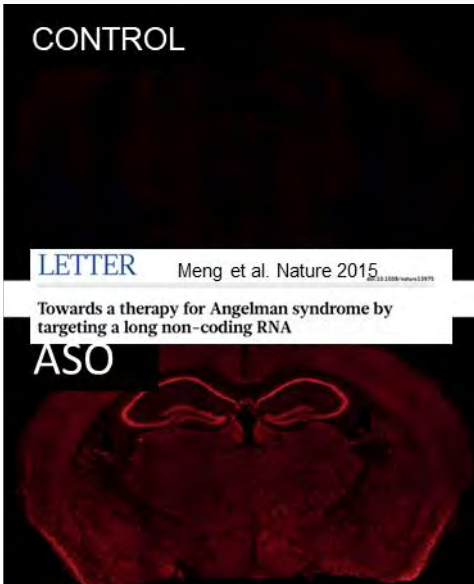
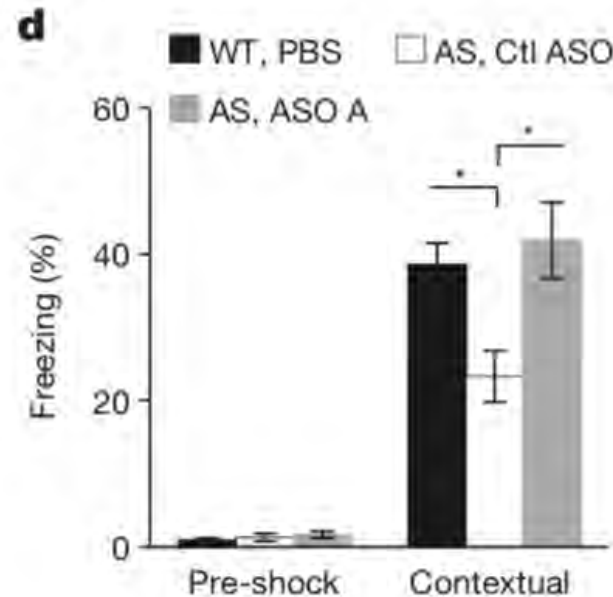
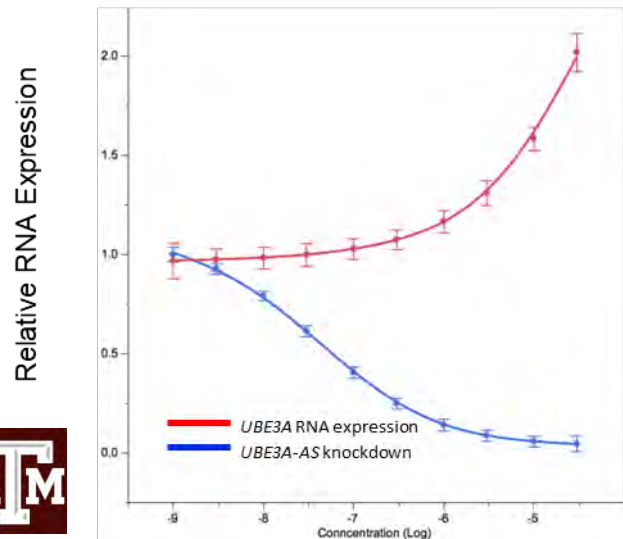
- In an adult mouse model of AS, mouse specific ASO showed successful rescue of various phenotypes (Meng et al. 2015).
- GTX-102 target region in rodent neurons showed knockdown of the *Ube3a-AS* approaching 100%.

## Rodent Proof-of-Concept



- Paternal expression of *Ube3a* in ADULT mice
- *Ube3a-AS* knockdown 60-70%
- Cognitive deficits rescued
- Knockdown >16 weeks
- ICV injection at 700ug/mouse (~210mg/NHP equivalent)
  - **GTX-102** effective in NHPs via lumbar puncture at doses dramatically less

Relative Expression of RNA after ASO exposure in cultured AS neurons



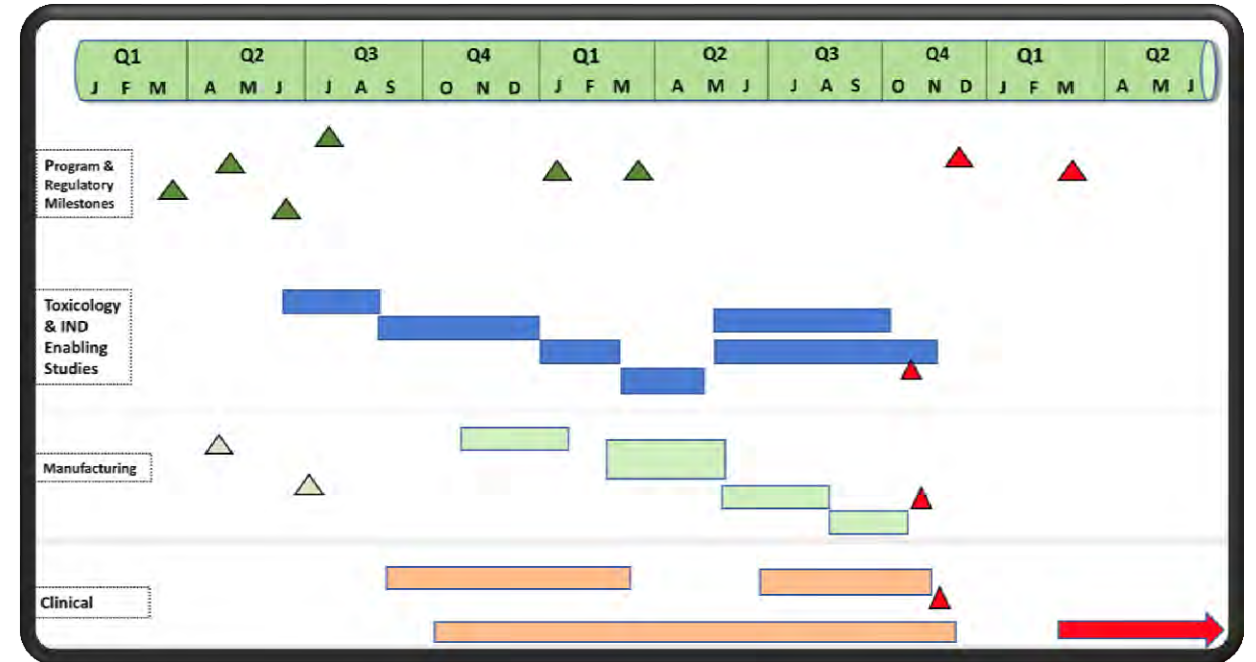
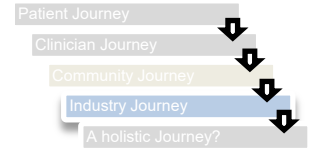
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**(ge•net•ics)**  
**success is our target**

an antisense oligonucleotide  
treatment for  
Angelman syndrome

# Industry Journey

- FAST launched **GeneTx** Dec. 2017
- FAST + TAMU + Angel investors → for-profit biotech from non-profit work
- Singular focus → develop ASO for the potential treatment of AS
- Unique genetic conservation with NHP
- One species for PD/PK/Toxicology
- World renowned team of consultants
  - Non-clinical
  - Manufacturing
  - Chemistry
  - Regulatory
  - Clinical
- Obtained ODD/RPD/FTD
- 2019 Collaboration with Ultragenyx Pharmaceutical to launch Phase 1/2 trial (US, UK, Canada)

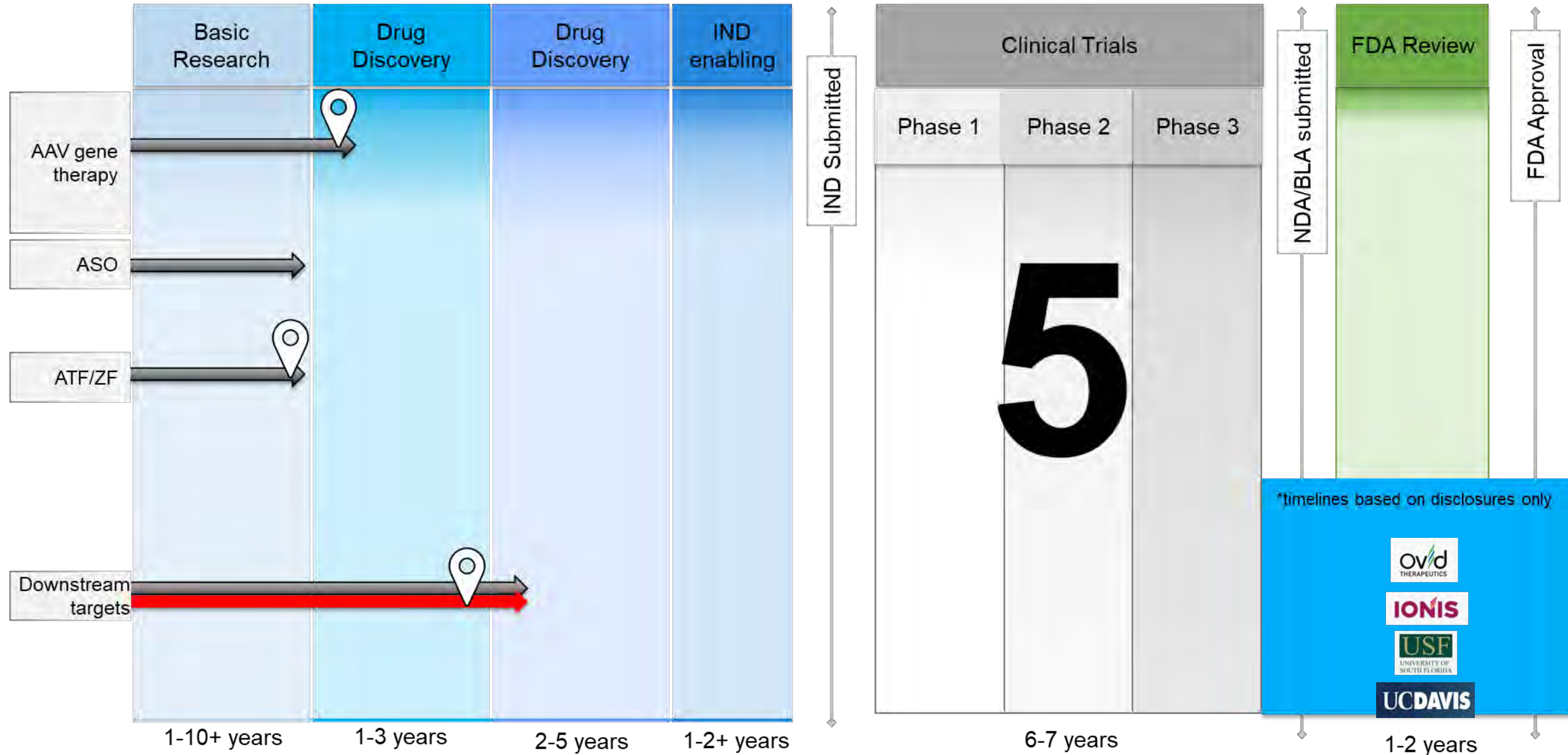


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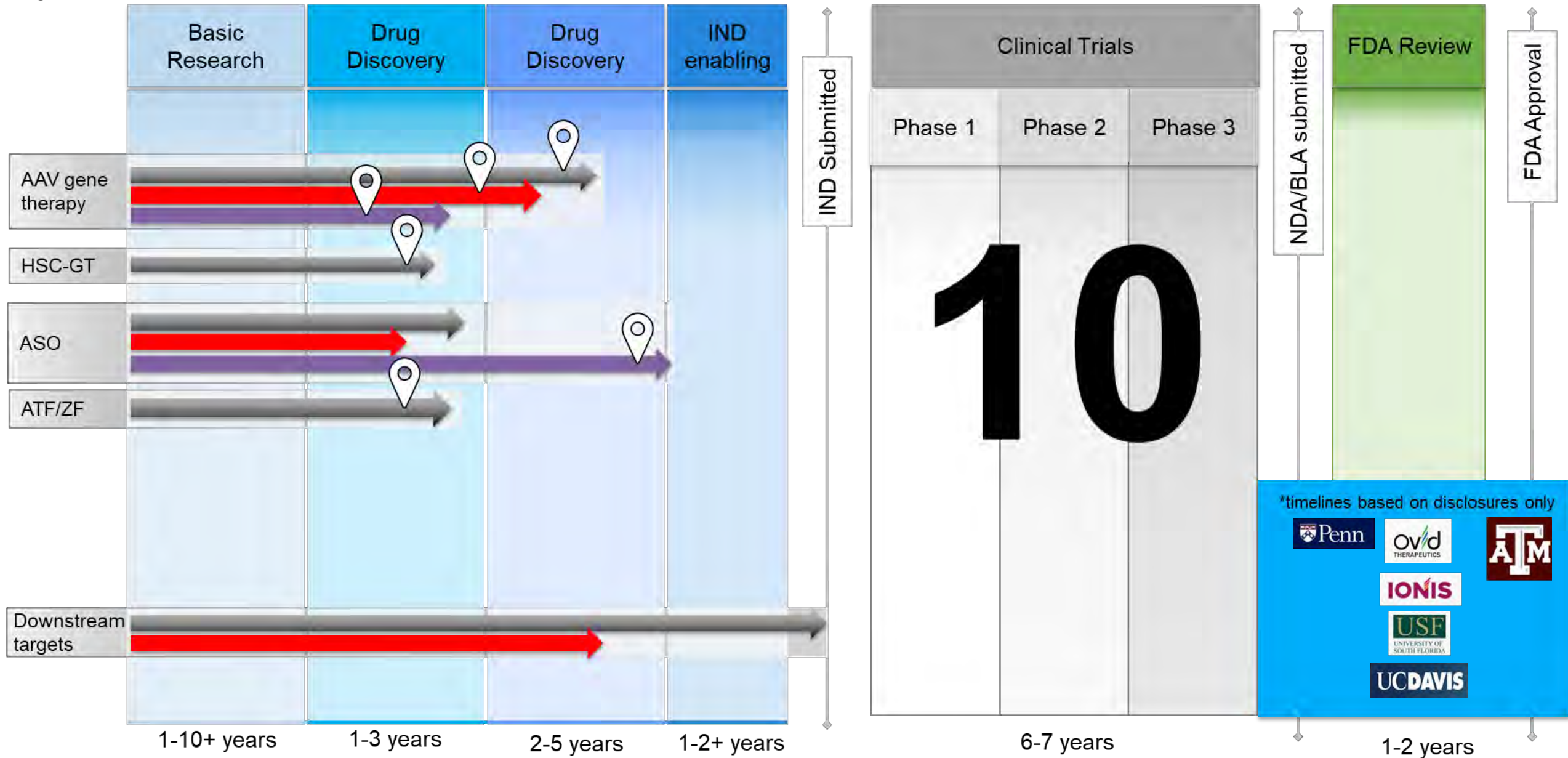
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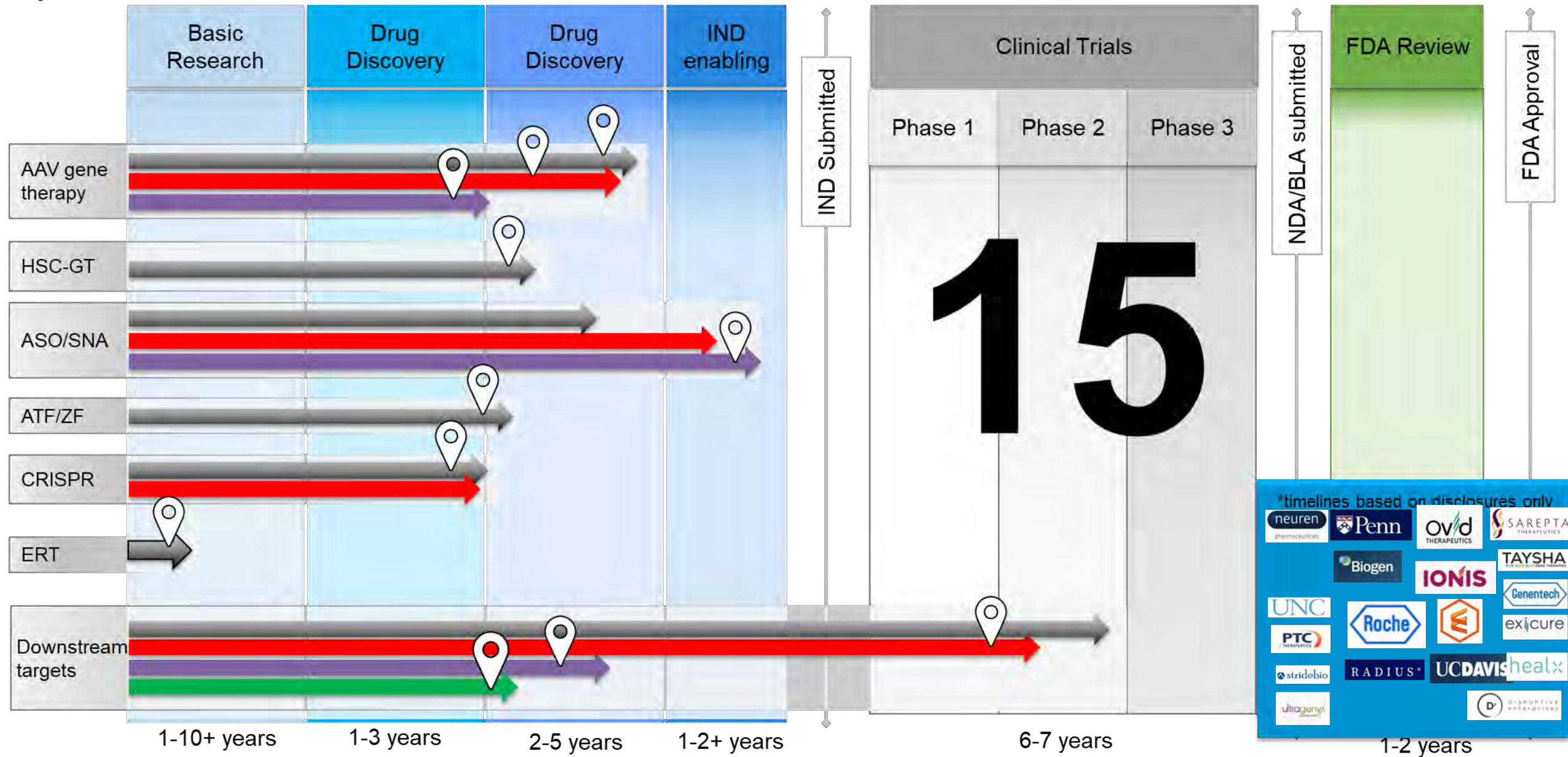
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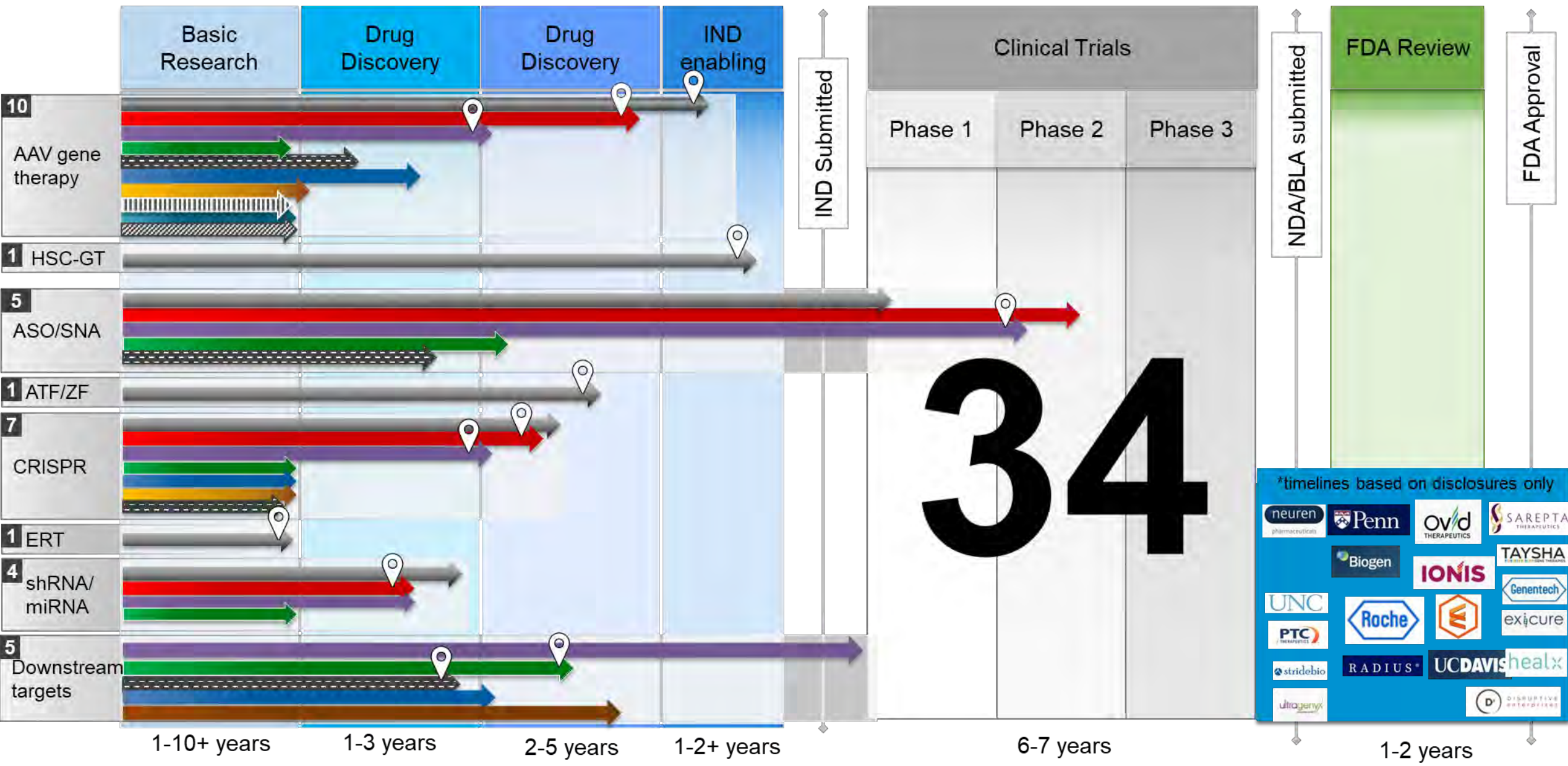
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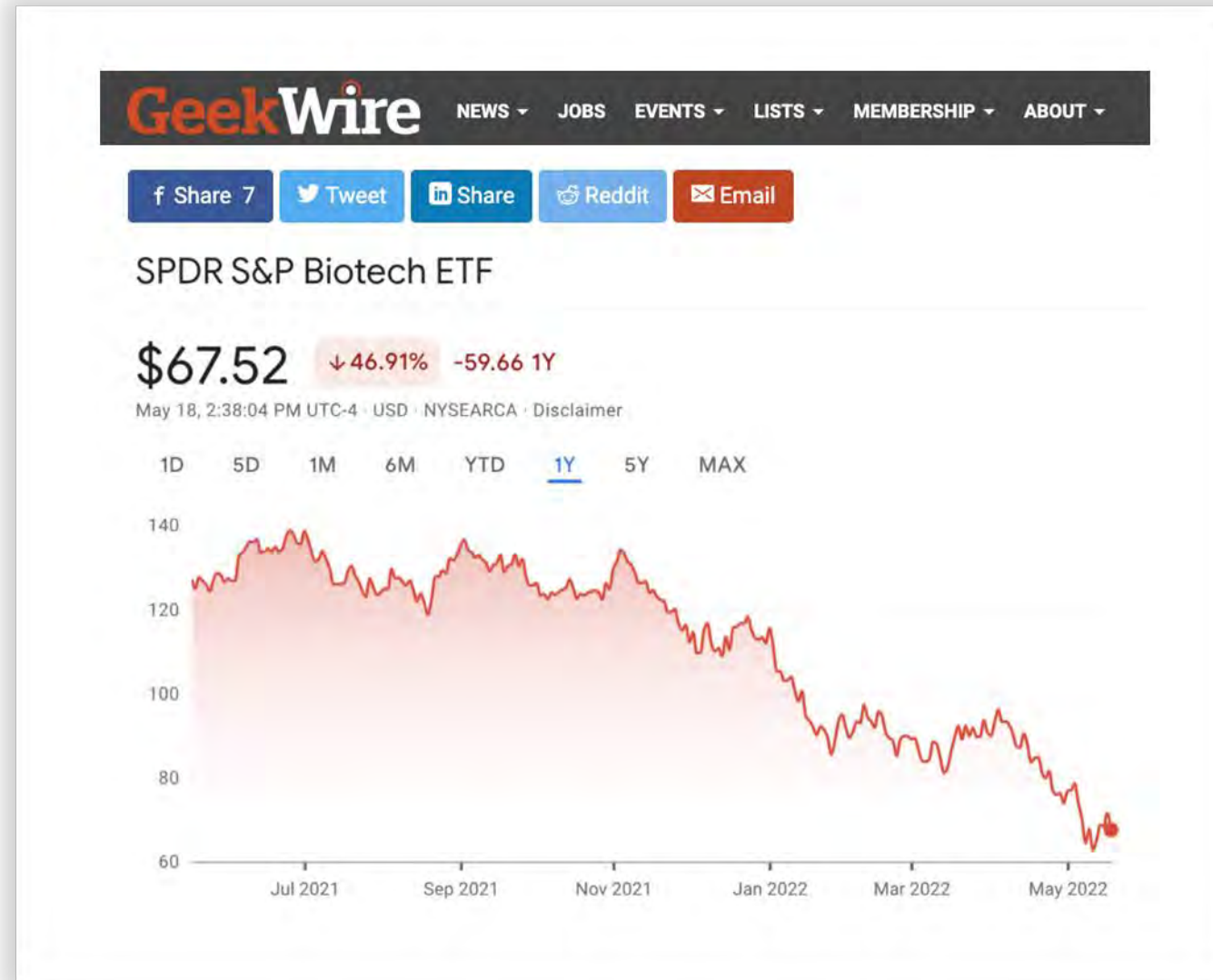


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# Biotech Stocks are getting crushed

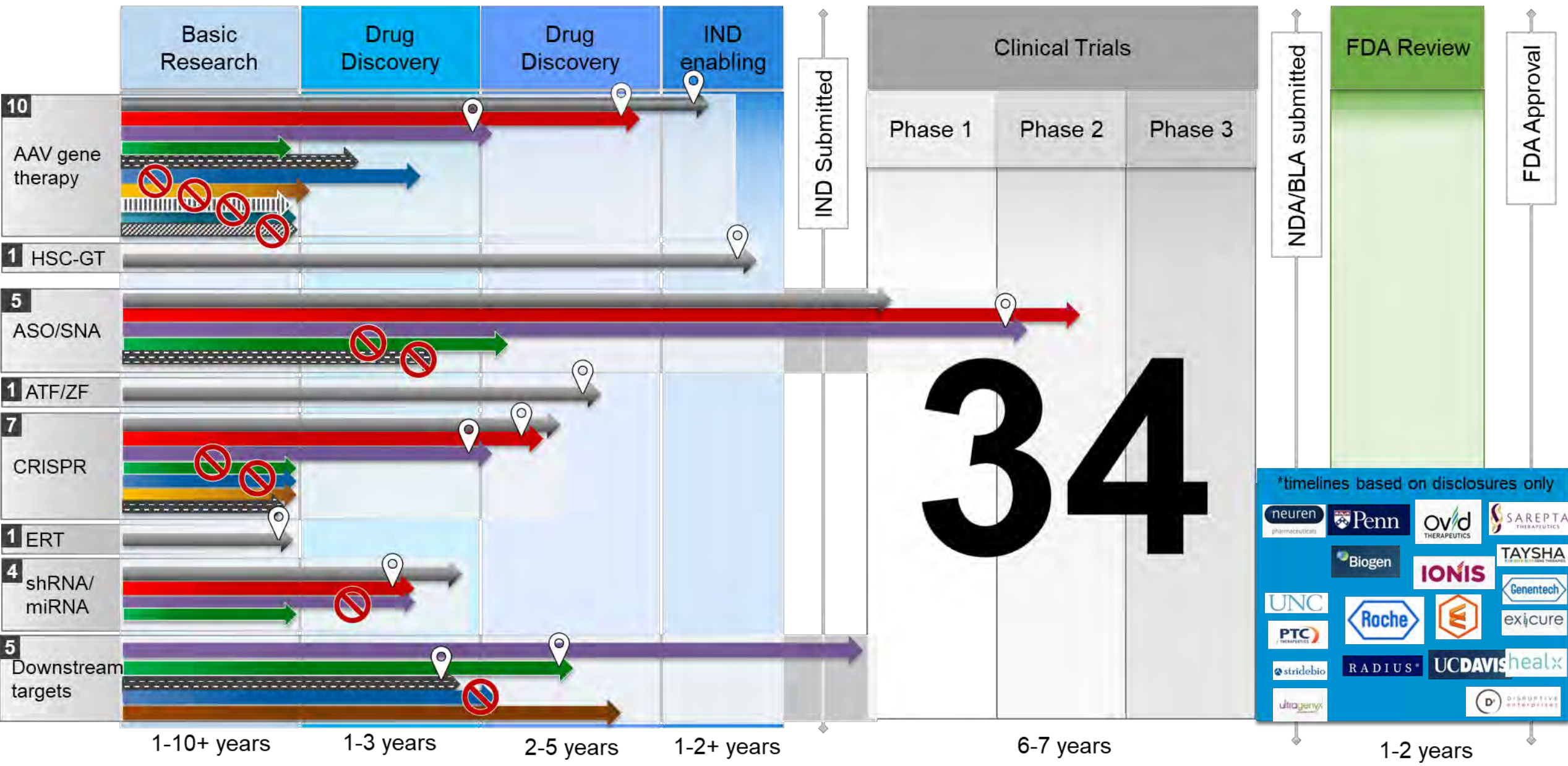






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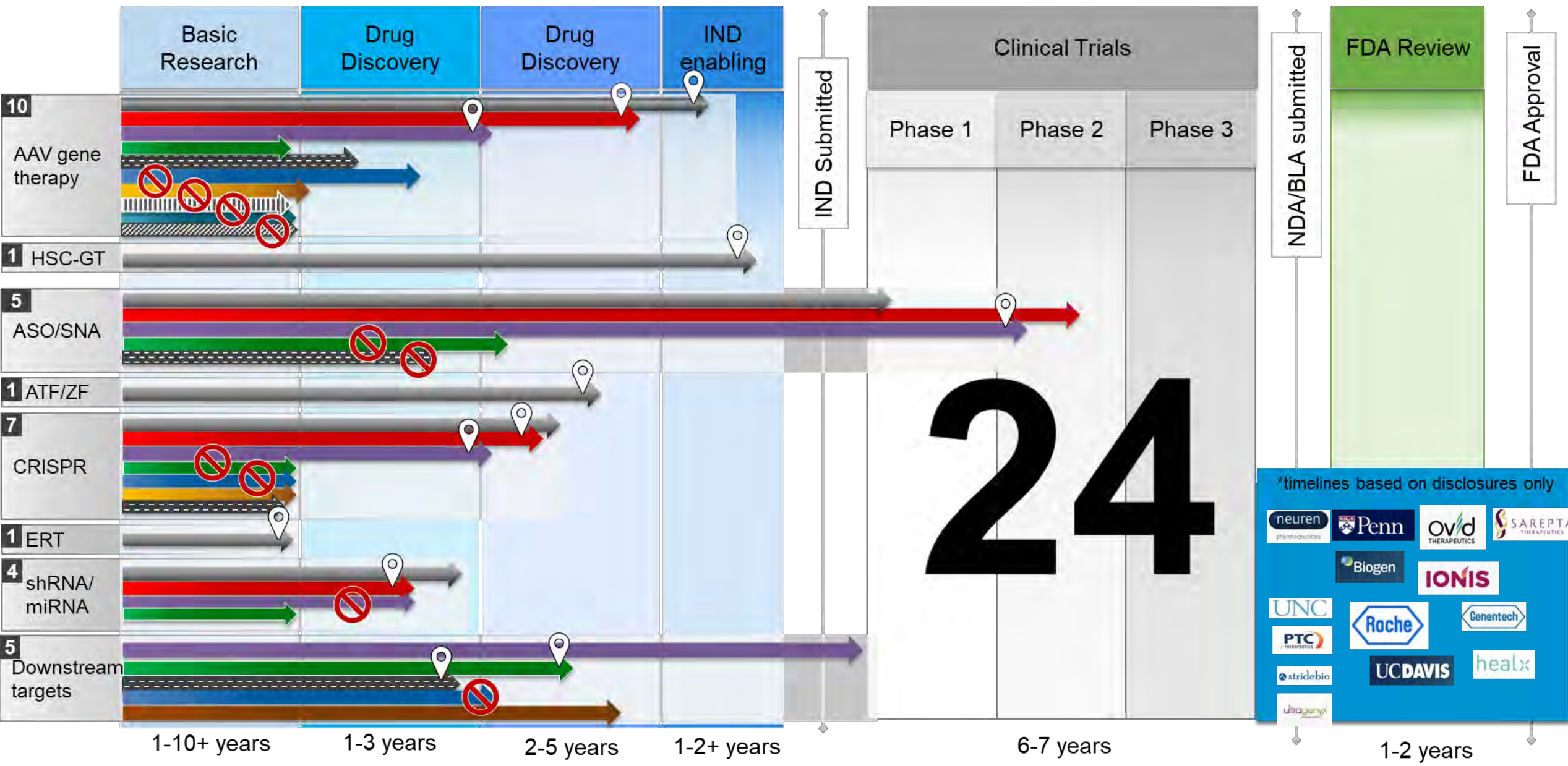


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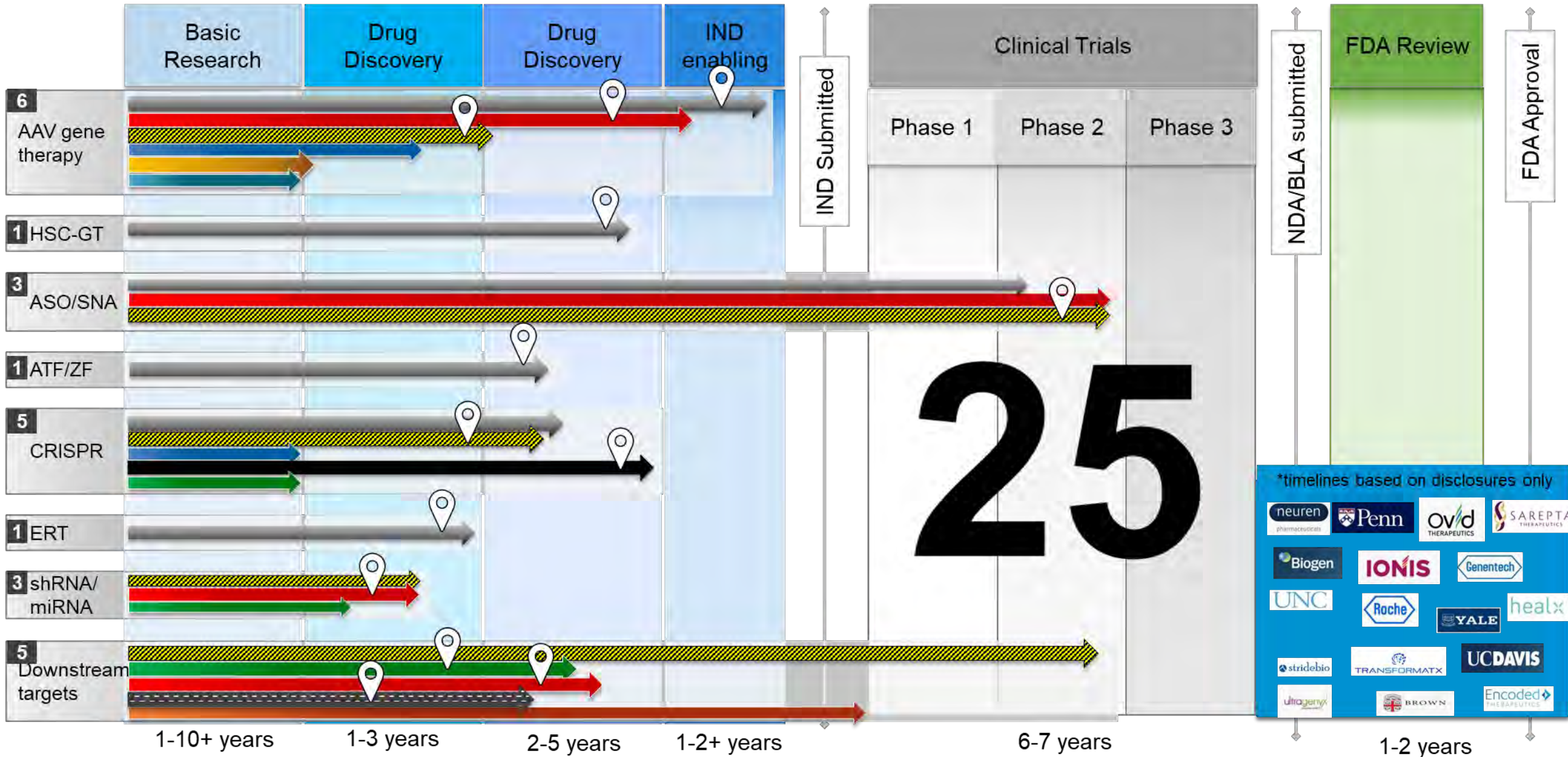
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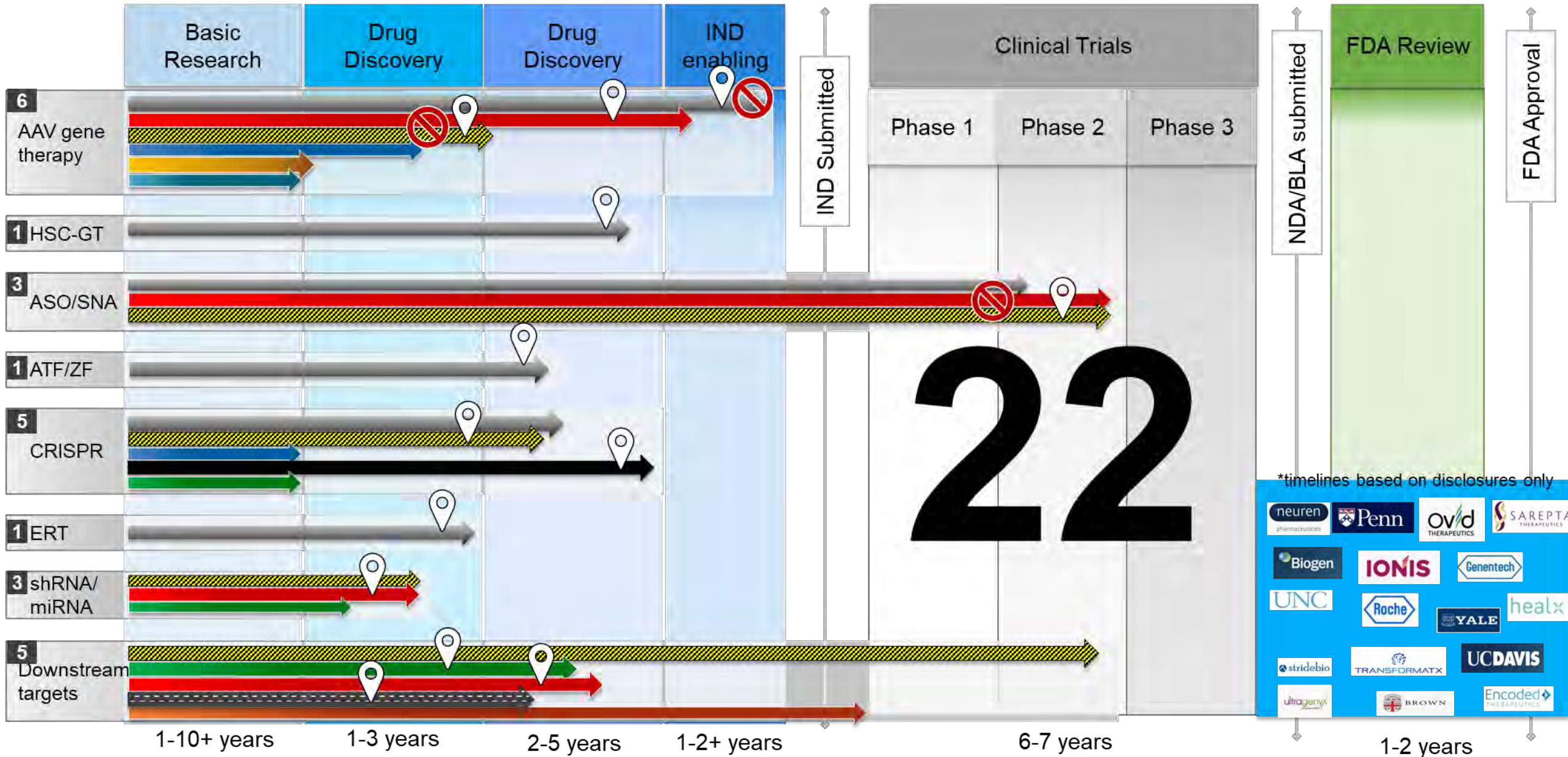
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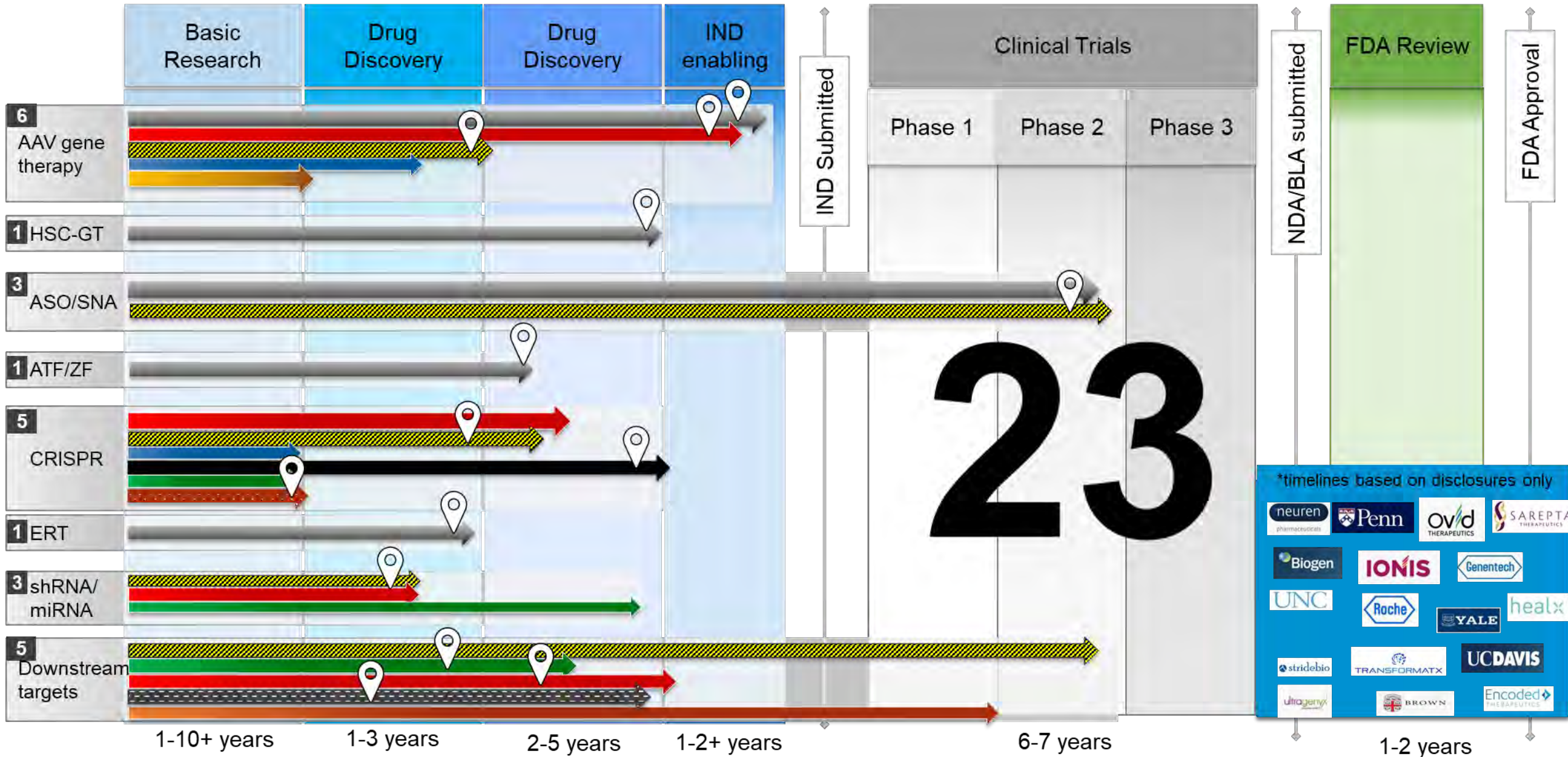
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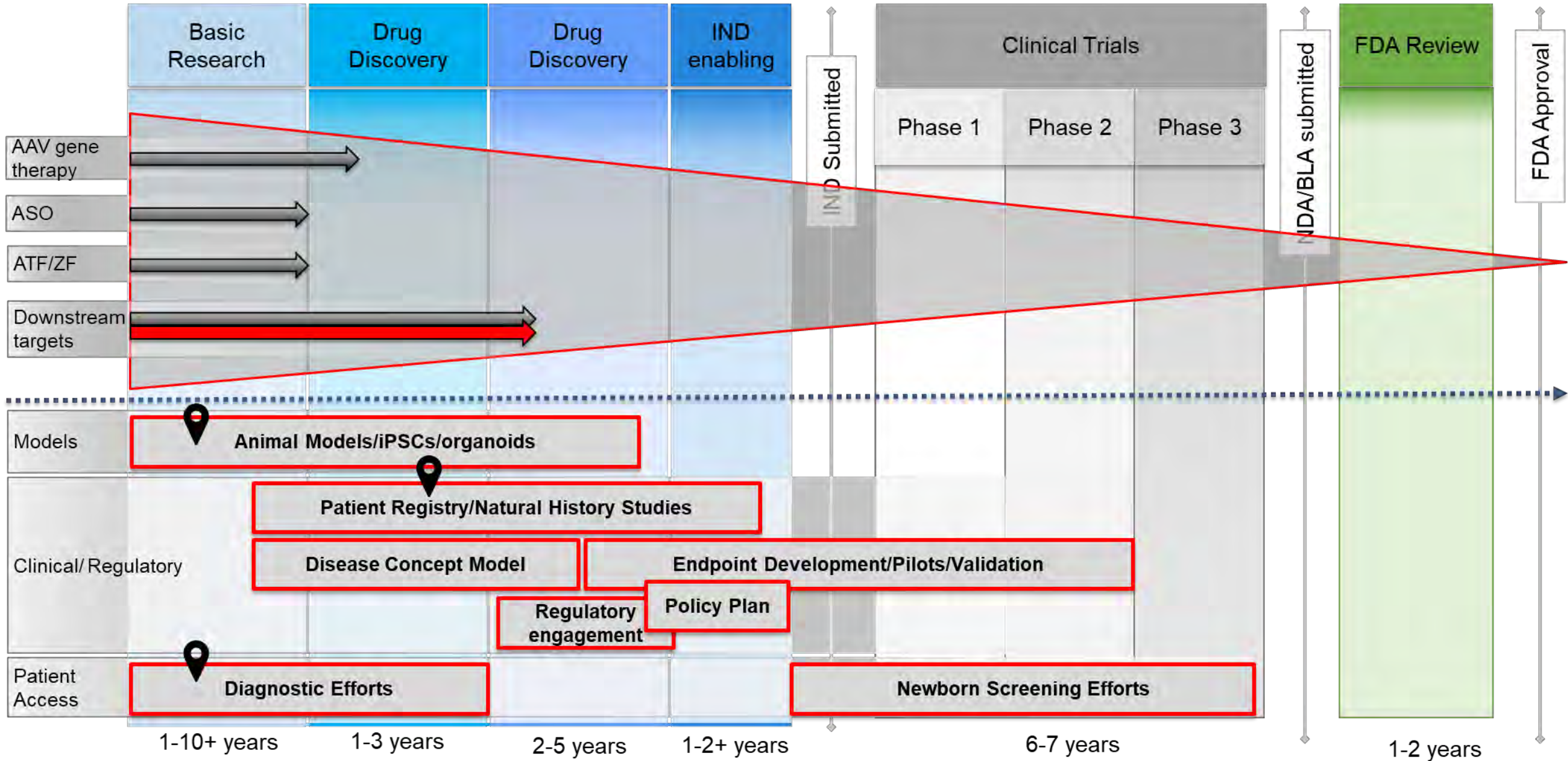


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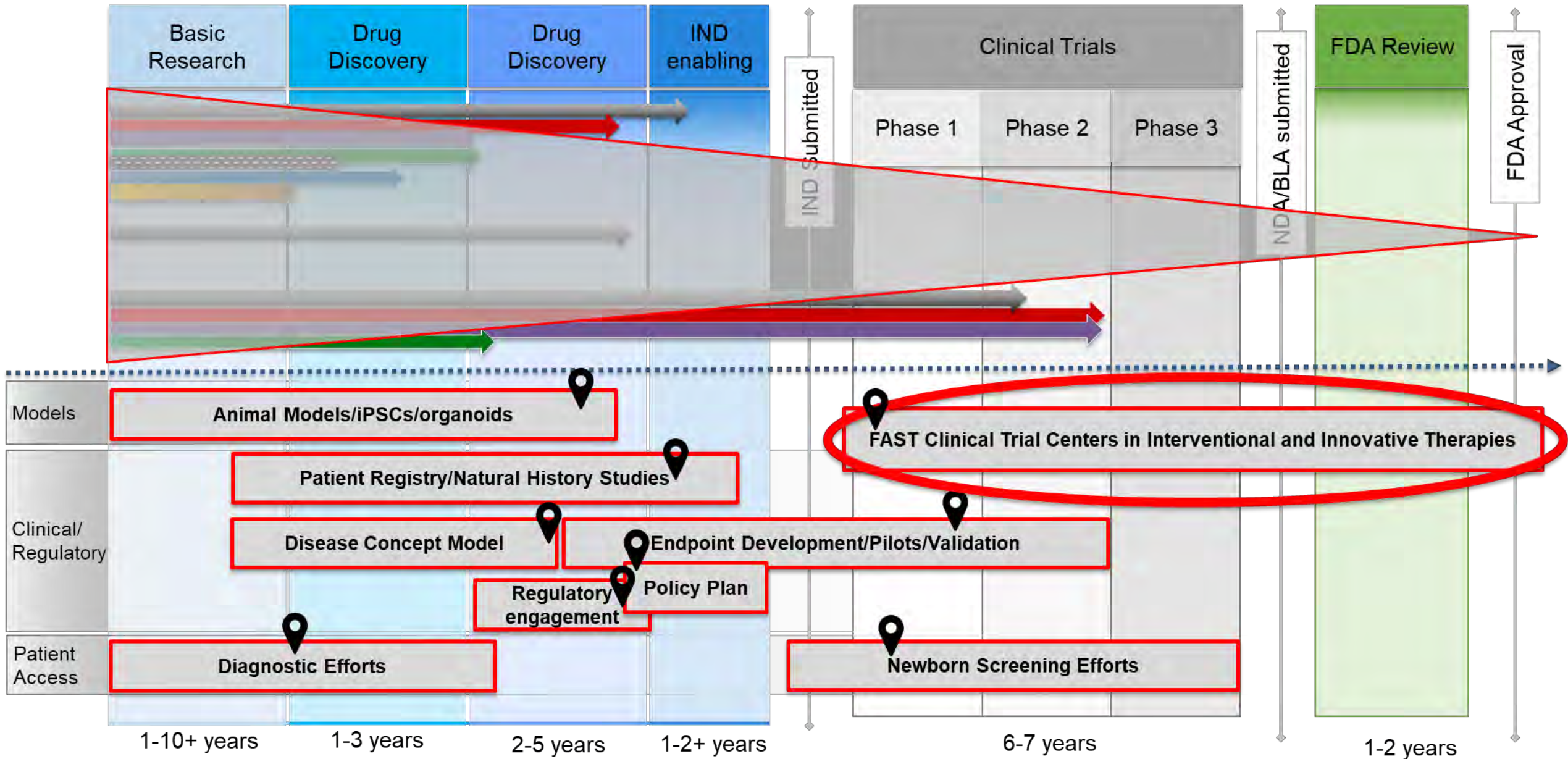
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# FAST's Research & Development Process: **Today**





# FOUNDATION FOR ANGELMAN SYNDROME THERAPEUTICS (FAST) ANNOUNCES \$5 MILLION GIFT TO ADVANCE CLINICAL TRIALS IN RARE NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISORDERS

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# Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics

Urgent mission to **BRING** transformative treatments for our **Global** community:



## Discovery



Academic collaborators

## Preclinical



Testing infrastructure

## Endpoints



Pre-competitive Consortium

## Community



Connect with patients

## Clinical trials



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# Disease Modification Strategies

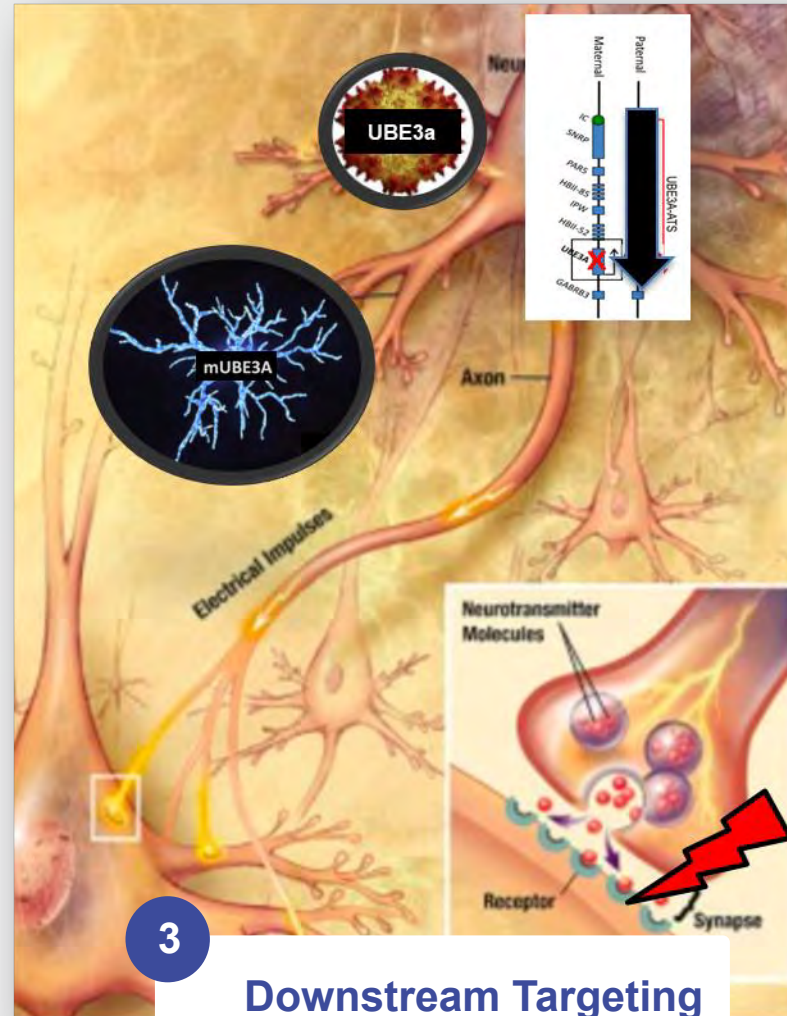
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## Gene/Protein Replacement Therapy

- **AAV**
  - Gene replacement
  - Secretory Protein replacement
- **Lentivirus with HSC**
- Enzyme replacement therapy (ERT)



\*other programs are currently under development that may not be represented/disclosed



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## Downstream Targeting

Small Molecules/  
Ligands



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## Paternal Gene Activation = "STOP THE STOP"

ASOs



ATFs



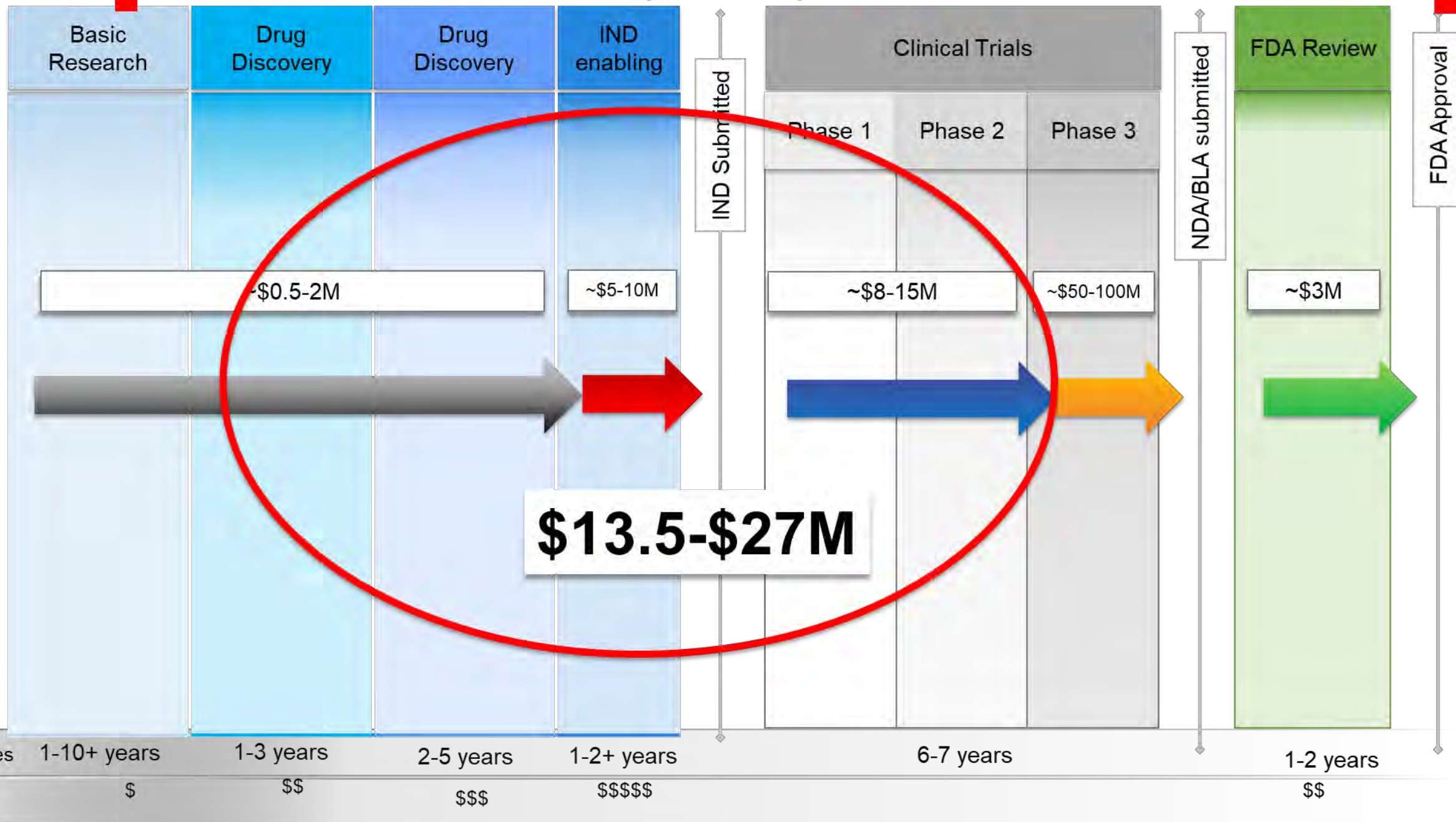
CRISPR



shRNA/  
miRNA



**\$66.5-\$130M++**



# Drug development is hard...

- Living with rare disease is far harder!
- FAST works to **accelerate** and de-risk **FOR ALL LIVING WITH AS**
- Hard to rely on other parties to make your disorder a priority when times are tough, and **priorities change** sometimes overnight
- FAST will continue to accelerate excellent science for **ALL SHOTS ON GOAL**
- The priorities for FAST and the AS community will only change when every individual globally has access to transformative therapeutics
- BUT...we are not doing this alone

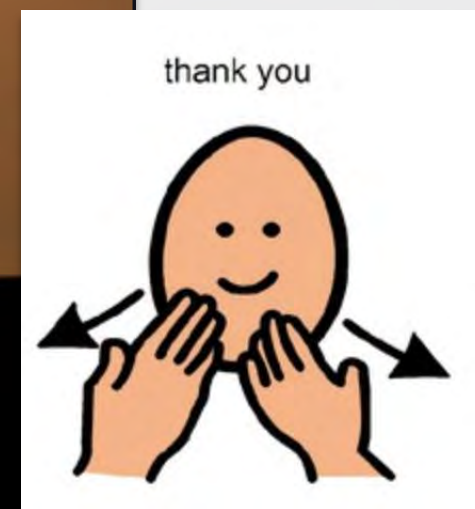


Quincy is #myreason:  
**TO FIGHT EVERY DAY...FOR A BETTER LIFE**





Thank you



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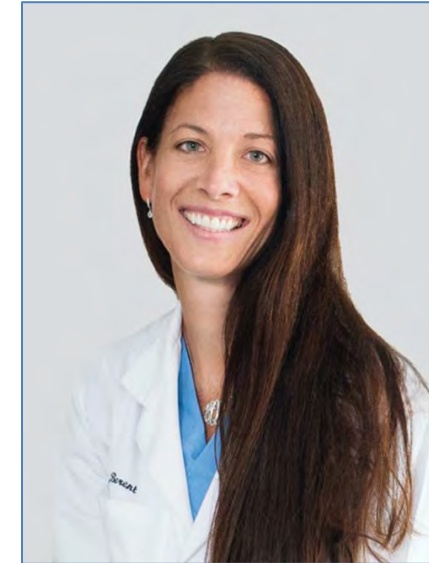
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President & Co-Founder  
MTM-CNM Family Connection



**Suzette James**  
Board of Directors, BDSRA Foundation  
CLN2 Batten disease parent and advocate



**Allyson Berent, DVM**  
Chief Science Officer, FAST

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