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## **HEALEY ALS Platform Trial**

Weekly Q&A – April 27, 2023

















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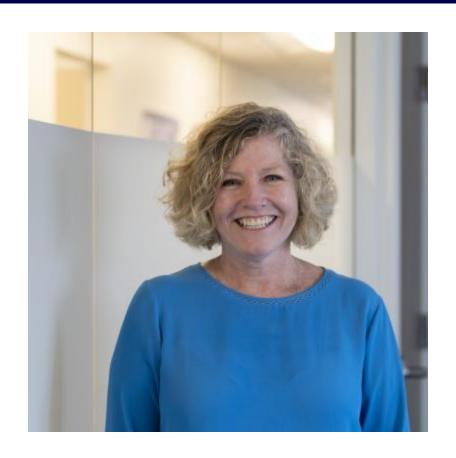








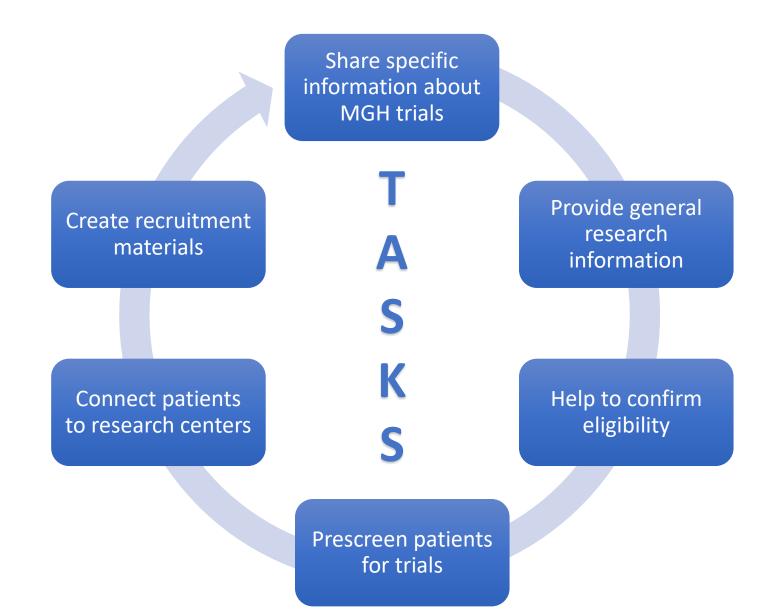
## Guest Speaker Judi Carey, RN



Research Access Nurse
Sean M. Healey & AMG Center for ALS
Mass General Hospital

# What does a Research Access Nurse do?

- ☐ Share Reliable Information
- Advocate for Access
- ☐ Provide Hope



## Research Access Then & Now & In the Future

- Availability of more research options PCT, OLE, ATE, EAP
- Incorporation of ZOOM calls
- Increase in access to research locally
- Partnerships with the ALS community
- Formation of the Patient Engagement Team
- Creation of Health Literacy/Definition of DEI



## Clinical Trials Enrollment and Coordination

Not sure which trial might be right for you? The Healey Center for ALS offers coordination services to help you understand your options and make the best choice for your individual situation.

Enrolling ALS Trials & Studies >

ALS News and Publications >

Sign Up for ALS Link >

#### Introduction to Clinical Trials

For information or assistance enrolling in clinical trials, please contact:

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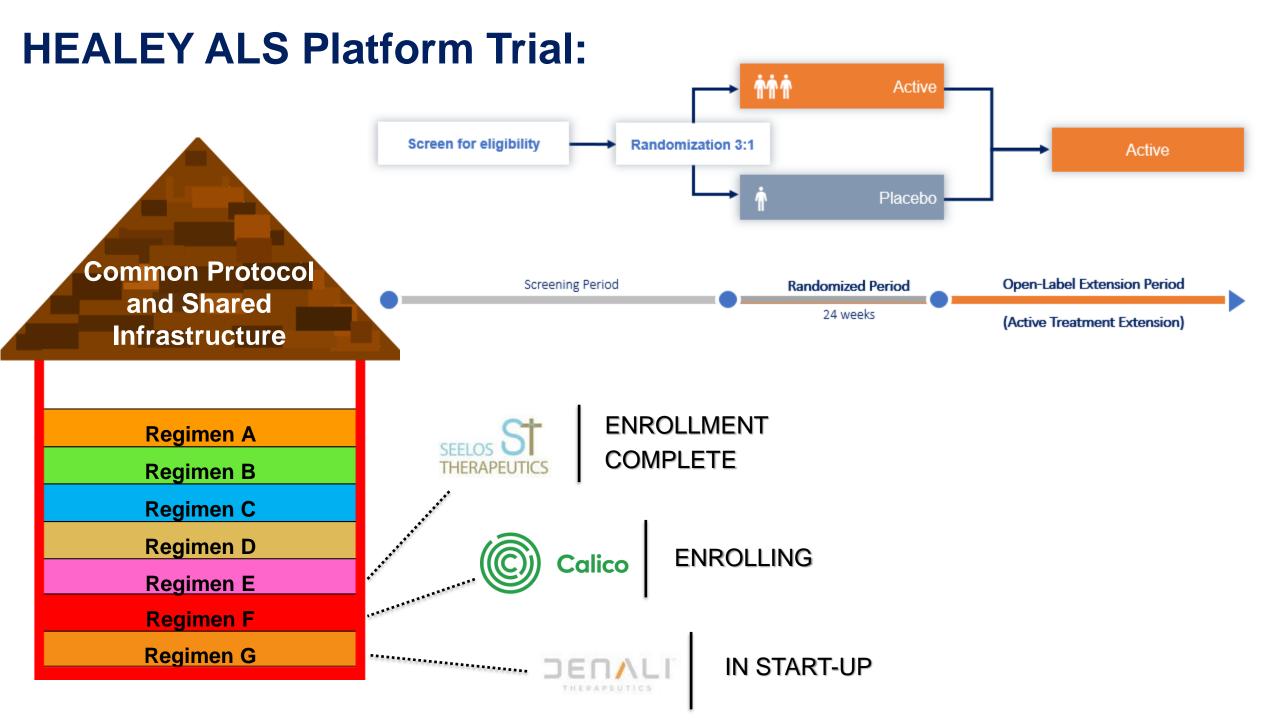
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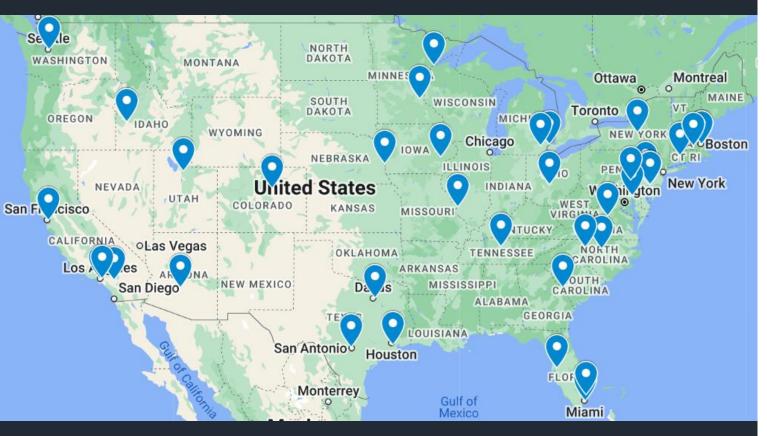
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#### ALS Trials at Mass General

View our <u>currently enrolling ALS research trials at Mass General</u>.



## 40 Sites Currently Active for Regimen F



(as of 4/27/23)

- Nova Southeastern University
- 🗹 Essentia Health
- Texas Neurology
- Mass General Hospital
- University of Nebraska
- Mospital for Special Care
- Henry Ford Hospital
- Augusta University
- ☑ Beth Israel Deaconess
- University of Texas HSC
- University of Colorado
- Loma Linda University
- M Ohio State University
- 🗹 Cedars Sinai Medical Center
- ☑ Duke University
- 🗹 Wake Forest University
- Saint Alphonsus
- UMass Worcester
- Lehigh Valley
- Thomas Jefferson
- University of South Florida
- University of Pennsylvania
- SUNY Upstate
- University of Iowa
- 🗹 California Pacific Med Center
- Mouston Methodist
- ✓ Vanderbilt University
- University of Minnesota

- Washington University
- Barrow Neurological Institute
- University of Miami
- Temple University
- University of Virginia
- Johns Hopkins University
- University of Southern CA
- Moly Cross Hospital
- University of Washington
- ✓ University of Utah
- Penn State Hershey
- University of Michigan

#### Site Map & Contacts:



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## **Checking Site Status Online**

### List of Participating Sites

Many sites are expected to start enrolling for Regimen F soon. Sites marked "Recruiting" are currently enrolling participants.

Sites marked "Active, Not recruiting" are active in the Platform Trial (for example, they are following participants in ongoing regimens that have already completed enrollment) but are not enrolling new participants at this time.

Site

State

State

Enrollment
Status

Trial Contact
Information

Mayo Clinic Florida

FL

Active,
Not recruiting

Nova Southeastern University

FL

Recruiting

Donovan Mott

Contact a study team near you to discuss enrollment opportunities



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## Regimen F Resources on MGH Website

#### Regimen F: ABBV-CLS-7262, by Calico and AbbVie- Now Recruiting

ABBV-CLS-7262 is an investigational drug developed by Calico Life Sciences LLC in collaboration with AbbVie Inc. ABBV-CLS-7262 aims to restore function in cells affected by ALS by normalizing protein synthesis and preventing further sequestration and aggregation of TDP-43, thereby protecting neurons, and possibly slowing ALS progression.

The integrated stress response (ISR) is a fundamental transient process that regulates cell function during various stressful conditions. Tissue studies suggest that the ISR is chronically induced in people with ALS. It is proposed that TDP-43 aggregates, a hallmark feature in the motor neurons of people with ALS, could be formed by a chronically induced ISR. ABBV-CLS-7262 activates the protein complex eIF2B, which is a key regulator of the ISR. Binding of ABBV-CLS-7262 desensitizes eIF2B to stress and decreases the ISR. Reduction of the ISR restores normal protein synthesis, reduces TDP-43 sequestration in stress granules, and may decrease TDP-43 aggregation.

A prior first-in-human study of ABBV-CLS-7262 showed that this drug was well-tolerated by participants, demonstrated target engagement by increasing eIF2B enzymatic activity, and suppressed the ISR in blood cells. ABBV-CLS-7262 crossed the blood brain barrier at concentrations predicted to be efficacious in ALS. ABBV-CLS-7262 is currently being investigated in a Phase 1b study in people with ALS (NCT04948645), and will be studied further as part of the HEALEY ALS Platform Trial.

Watch this video for more information on the mechanism of action behind ABBV-CLS-7262.

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#### HEALEY ALS Platform Trial

## Regimen F

Developed by Calico Life Sciences LLC in collaboration with AbbVie Inc.

Investigational products included in the HEALEY ALS Platform Trial are selected by a team of experts after careful review of the study drug and the science supporting its treatment potential in Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS). Regimen F is testing an experimental medication called ABBV-CLS-7262, and the trial will involve in-person study visits every 4 to 8 weeks (about 6 visits total over the course of 24 weeks).

Please discuss the possible benefits and risks of this investigational product with your study team.

Visit our website to learn more about what to expect in the trial process: https://bit.ly/3ExRal8



#### About Regimen F:

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Regimen F is a Phase 2/3 trial enrolling approximately 240 participants to evaluate the safety and efficacy of ABBV-CLS-7262 as a potential treatment for ALS. This regimen involves biomarker analysis and cerebrospinal fluid collection via lumbar punctures to assess the effects of ABBV-CLS-7262.

3:1 Active Drug to Placebo Ratio:
Participants who enroll in this trial have a 3 in 4 (75%) chance of being assigned to active study drug and a 1 in 4 (25%) chance of being assigned to placebo during the initial 24-week randomized controlled trial (RCT) period.

Active Treatment Extension (ATE):
Participants have the option to enroll in
the ATE for ABBV-CLS-7262 upon
completion of the 24-week RCT. During
ATE, all participants will receive the
active study drug.

To see if you may qualify, please review the list of eligibility criteria:

For general questions about the HEALEY ALS Platform Trial,
Contact the Patient Navigator:

healeyalsplatform@mgh.harvard.edu 833-425-8257 (HALT ALS)



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#### **Printable Brochures!**



Regimen F Brochure
Lumbar Puncture Brochure
General Platform Trial Brochure

Understanding HEALEY ALS Platform Trial Study Procedures

#### LUMBAR PUNCTURE

A Lumbar Puncture (IP), or Spinal Tap, is a procedure to remove a small sample (I0-15mL or -1 tablespoon) of cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) from the lower spine. CSF is the fluid that surrounds the brain and spinal cord, and it contains proteins, cells, and other substances that may be important biomarkers in ALS research. During the procedure, a needle is inserted between two lumbar vertebrae (backbones) in the lower back and into the space in the spinal canal that contains CSF.

Sometimes, people feel worried that a lumbar puncture could be risky or painful. In reality, this is a safe and common procedure to collect CSFI

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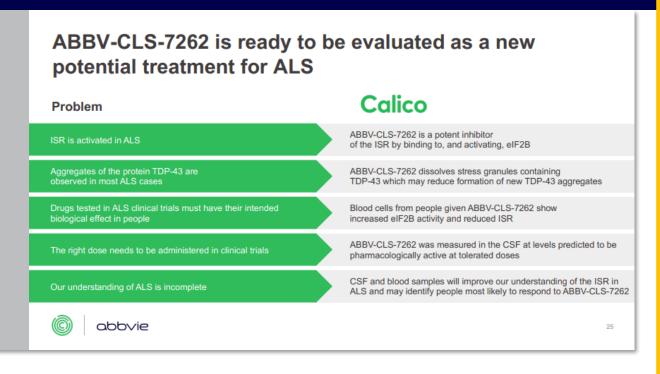
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Spaces between the bones of the lower spine

- The doctor will cleanse the skin on your lower back to reduce risk of infection, then use a small needle to inject a local anesthetic (such as lidocaine) to numb the site.
- 3.) The LP needle is inserted into the space containing CSF. A special atraumatic spinal needle (Sprotte) is typically used to reduce the chance of a post-puncture headache. The doctor may need to readjust the needle if CSF cannot be drawn with the first insertion.
- 4.) Spinal fluid is collected into specimen tubes for lab testing. The LP needle is removed, your back is cleaned, and a band-aid is placed over the LP site.
- For your comfort and safety, it is recommended that someone drive you to and from the LP study visit.

QUESTIONS? Prior to enrolling in a clinical trial, your study team will discuss the LP procedure with you. Please ask your study team for clarification if you have any questions while reviewing the informed consent form.

## Regimen F Drug Science Q&A Webinar





**Topic:** Regimen F Drug Science and Mechanism of Action

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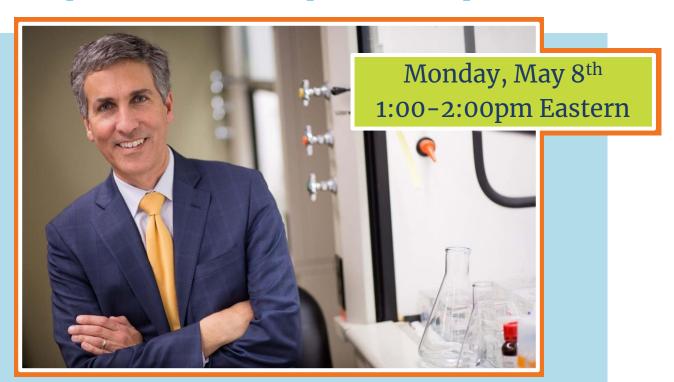






The ALS Association/Northeast ALS Consortium Educational Webinar

Why lumbar puncture and CSF biomarkers are important to ALS therapeutic development



Presenter: Nicholas J. Maragakis, M.D., Johns Hopkins University

## **Register Here:**



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

# Patient Navigation Central resource for people living with ALS



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ALS Link sign-up:



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## **Upcoming Webinars:**

May 4th- Weekly Q&A May 11th- Weekly Q&A