

Bridging the Gap: Defining and Understanding the Necessary NIH Capabilities and Infrastructure

NIH Chemical Genomics Center and Therapeutics for Rare and Neglected Diseases



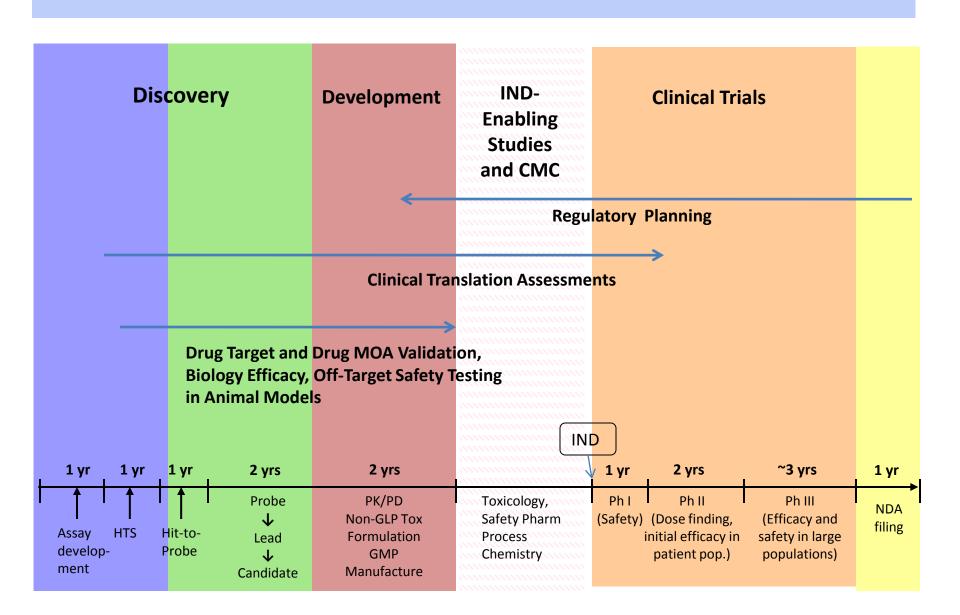
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Therapeutic Development Pipeline



NIH Chemical Genomics Center



- Founded as part of Roadmap *Molecular Libraries Program*
- 75 scientists
- > 100 collaborations with investigators worldwide
 - 75% NIH extramural
 - 15% Foundations, Research Consortia, Pharma/Biotech
 - 10% NIH intramural
- Focus on novel targets, rare/neglected diseases
- Produces
 - chemical probes/leads
 - new paradigms for assay development, screening, informatics, chemistry

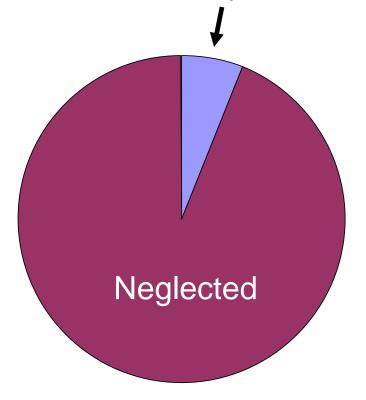




Only a small % of genome-encoded targets and diseases are being addressed for drug development

Current drug targets:

Well understood proteins

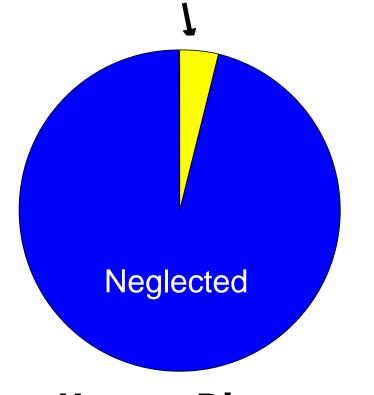


Human Genome

20,000 genes

Current targeted diseases:

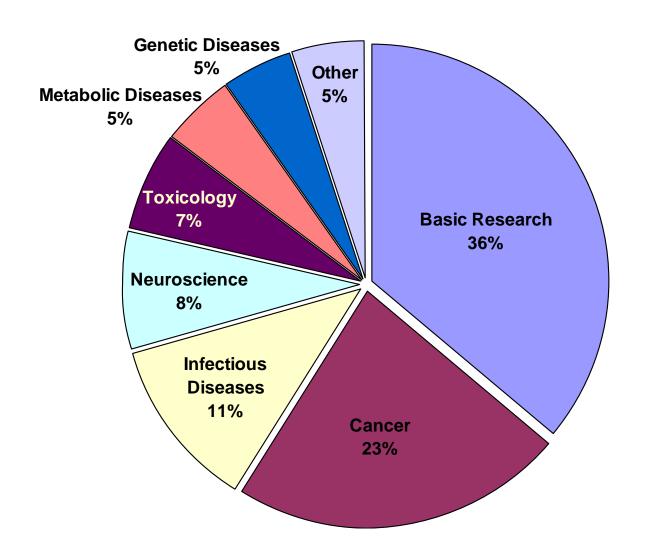
Prevalent diseases that affect developed world



Human Diseases

7000 diseases

Disease areas of NCGC assays





NCGC Staff





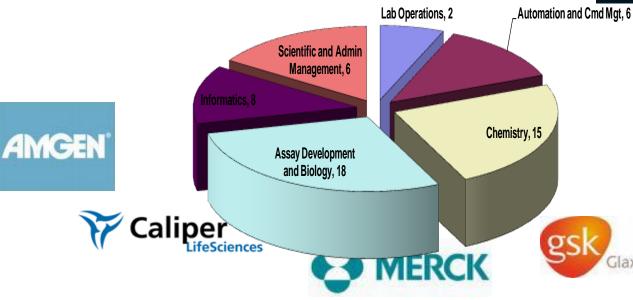
















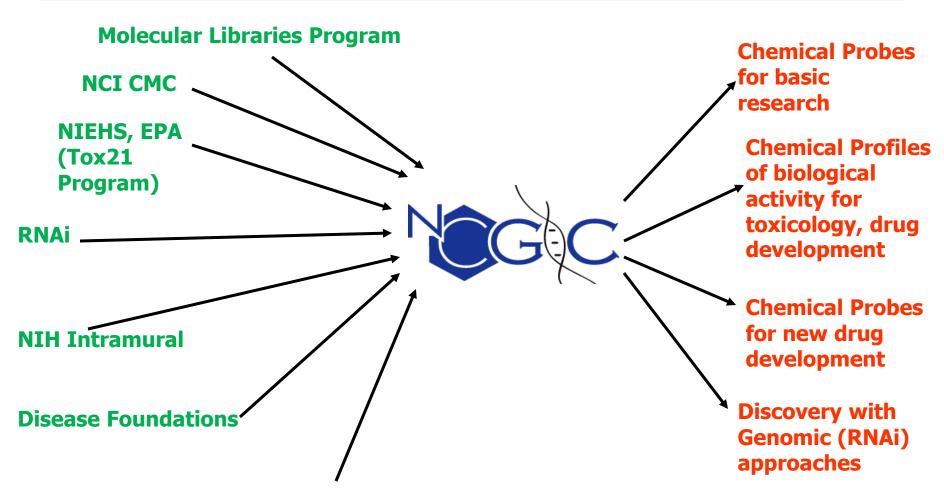






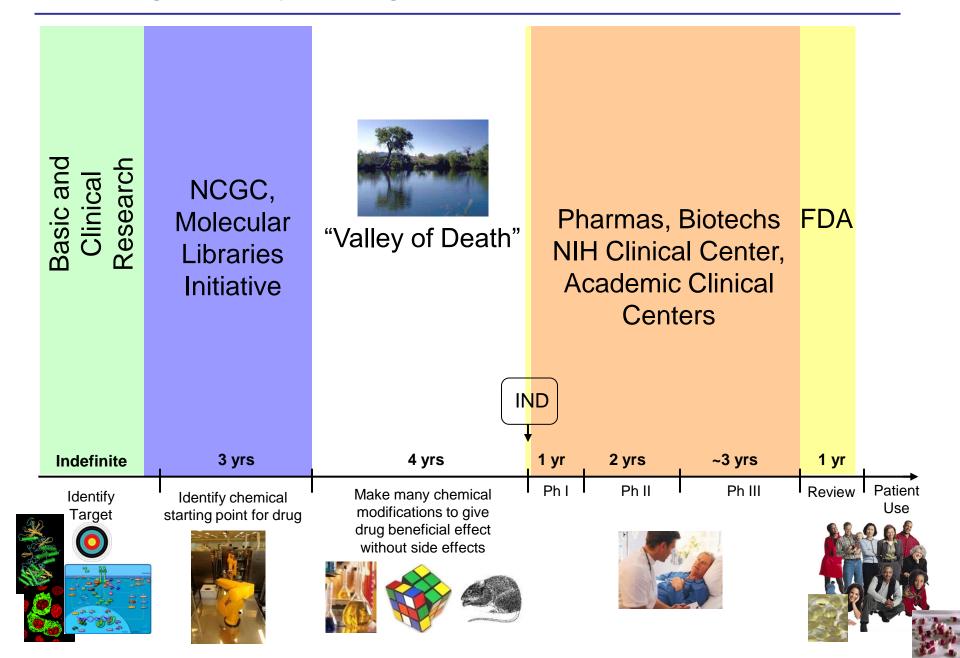


The NCGC: Facilitating Drug Discovery



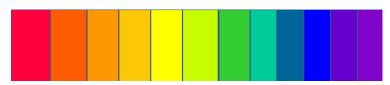
Biotechnology, Pharmaceutical Companies

The long pathway to drug development



Creating a Drug Development Pipeline at NIH

- Congressionally-mandated effort to speed development of new drugs for rare and neglected diseases
- Administration and governance at NIH
 - Governance/oversight by Office of Rare Diseases Research
 - Administered by NHGRI
- Operations: collaboration between intramural and extramural labs with appropriate expertise
- Projects will:
 - Enter TRND at a variety of stages of development
 - Be taken to phase needed for external organization to adopt for clinical development



Distinguishing features

- Collaboration / Partnerships (not service center)
 - Government, Academics, Non-Profit, For-Profit collaborations
- Building the laboratory and expertise infrastructure at NIH
- Disease agnostic, take advantage of cross-cutting mechanisms
- Science of preclinical drug development
- Technology/paradigm development (20% of effort, toward improving success rates)
- Large-scale systematic repurposing

Project-specific activities

- Medicinal chemistry, efficacy, pharmacology, absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion (ADME), toxicology, pharmacokinetics/pharmacodynamics (PK/PD)
- Chemical Manufacturing and Controls (CMC), Compound scale-up, formulation
- First in Human or Proof of Concept clinical trials as needed for project

- FY09: infrastructure (May 2009)
- FY10: infrastructure and pilot projects (June 2009)
 - Budget \$24M
 - Focus: governance, hiring, research community outreach, pilot projects
- **FY11:** infrastructure and project solicitation
 - President's budget recommends \$50M
 - Solicitation of projects in Sept 2010 to begin in April 2011; 3-5 projects
- FY12: fully operational
 - Laboratories completed Early 2012
 - Work on several new projects per year
 - Average project should take ~3 years
 - Projects will be monitored closely for progress

TRND Pilot Projects

Chosen to establish processes in advance of solicitation, with diversity of project stage, type of disease and collaborators

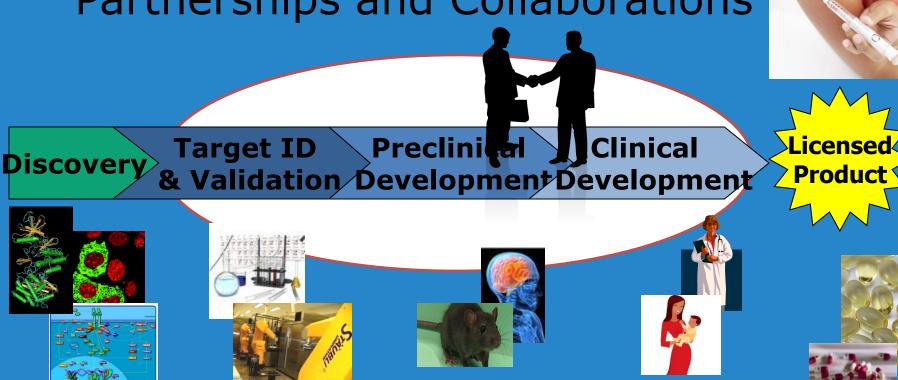
Disease	Туре	Pathology	Collaborators	Compound type	Stage
Schistosomiasis, Hookworm	Neglected	Infectious parasite	Extramural	NME	Early (lead optimization)
Niemann Pick C	Rare	CNS, liver/spleen	Disease Fnd, Extramural, Intramural	Repurposed approved drug	Mid-stage
HIBM	Rare	Muscle	Biotech, Intramural	Intermediate replacement	Pre-IND
Sickle Cell Disease	Rare	Blood	Nonprofit, Intramural, Extramural	NME	Mid-stage
Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia	Rare	Cancer	Disease Fnd, Extramural	Repurposed approved drug	Pre-IND

Pilot Program Discoveries

- Funding Collaborators
- Collaboration Agreements
- Intellectual Property
- Project Management
- Expert Advice: inside and outside
- Excitement and Anticipation

Filling the Gaps Between **Discovery and Product**

Partnerships and Collaborations



Therapeutic Development Pipeline

Molecular Libraries ← TRND → Licensing Partners

