

# NIH StrokeNet Meeting

3-June, 2014 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

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# Welcome

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- *Brief* Agenda Overview
  - Specific Ongoing Trials/Studies
    - MISTE III
    - CREST 2
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    - Existing SPOTRIAS Trials
  - Working Lunch with Q and A
  - Educational Core Update
  - StrokeNet WebDCU Orientation
  - Breakouts for Educational Core, and Working Group discussions

# National Data Management Center

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- Yuko Palesch
- Wenle Zhao
- Catherine Dillon
- Jessica Simons
- Jordan Elm
- Renee Martin
- Sharon Yeatts
- Jaemyung Kim

# FOA Updates –Dr. Janis

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- **May 14, 2014:** U01 Funding Announcement for the network published. PAR-14-220: [NIH StrokeNet Clinical Trials and Biomarker Studies for Stroke Treatment, Recovery, and Prevention \(U01\)](#)
- X01 (the company companion mechanism) - (pending)
- SBIR (Small Business) - (pending)

Specific Ongoing Trials/Studies  
Presentations and Q and A

# Ongoing SPOTRIAS Trials

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- STOP-IT
- CLEAR-FDR
- DESERVE
- ARTSS-2
- MR-WITNESS
- NeuStart Phase 2
- ICTUS 2

# STOP-IT: Study Hypotheses

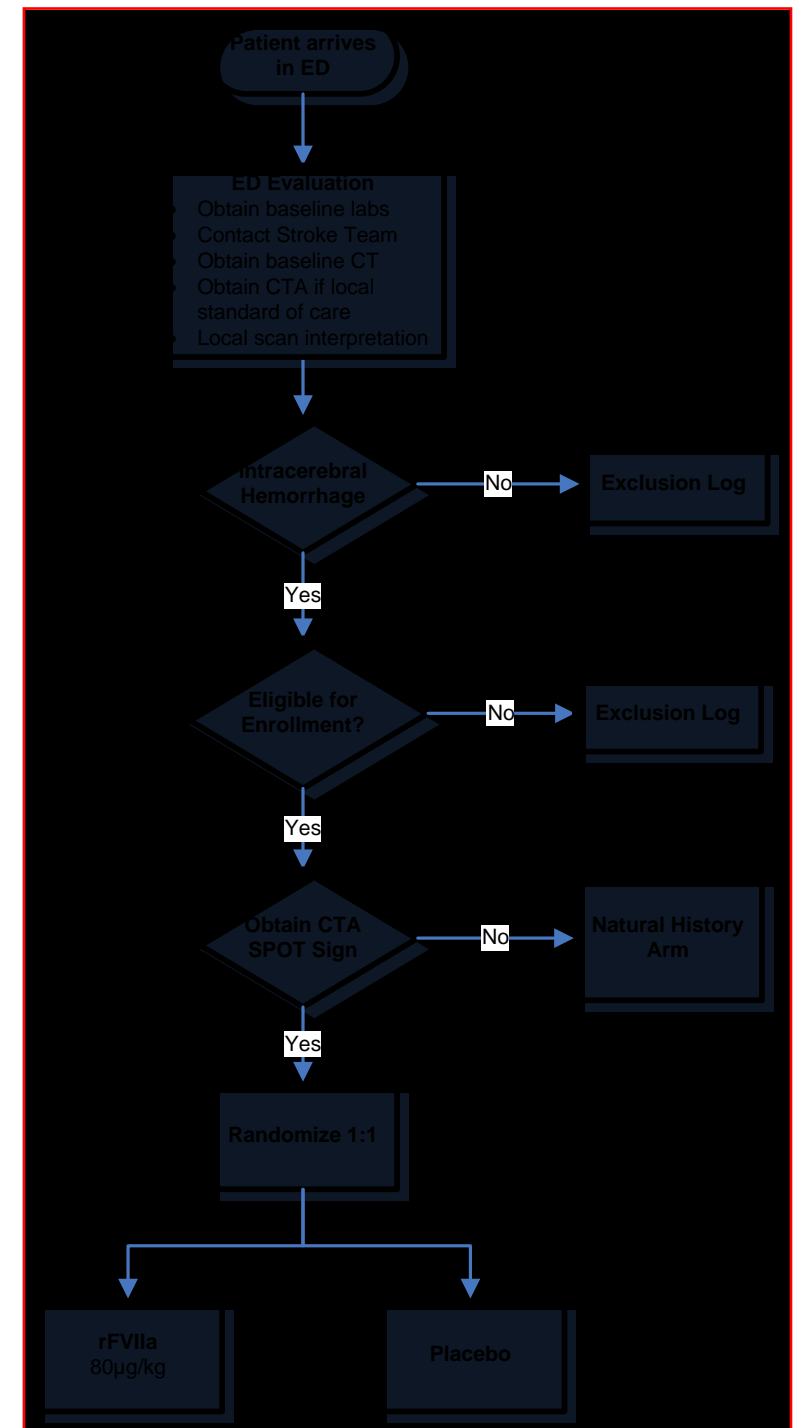
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- Confirm in a prospective study:
  - Sensitivity and specificity of CTA spot sign for hematoma growth
- Determine:
  - Feasibility of CTA to identify ICH patients at high risk of hematoma growth and select patients for randomization to treatment with rFVIIa or placebo
- Randomize ICH patients presenting within five hours of onset with a spot sign to treatment with rFVIIa, at 80 µg/kg vs placebo to:
  - Determine if rFVIIa is effective at reducing hematoma growth among patients with a spot sign
  - Provide preliminary efficacy data for treatment paradigm

# STOP-IT Study Design

- Treatment criteria\*
  - Age 18-80 years
  - Baseline CT within 5 hours from onset
  - ICH volume 0.5 - 90 cc
  - GCS > 8 at presentation
  - Pre-admission mRS score < 2
  - No prior thromboembolic history
  - Baseline troponin WNL
  - For spot positive patients, dosing of study drug within 90 minutes of enrolling CT scan
- Not looking for additional sites (limited medication supply)
- Matt Flaherty, PI

\*Partial list





# **CLEAR-FDR** : Combined Approach to Lysis Utilizing Eptifibatide and rt-PA in Acute Ischemic Stroke-Full Dose Regimen

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- Primary objective - estimate sICH rate in AIS patients treated with rt-PA (0.9mg/kg) within 3 hours of symptom onset plus eptifibatide (bolus 135 mcg/kg and 2 hour infusion at 0.75 mcg/kg/min)
- Design – single arm, prospective open label study

# CLEAR-FDR

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- Stopping Rules – Enroll up to 30 patients; stop if 3 sICH cases within the first 19 patients or 4 sICH cases within 29 patients (i.e., sICH rate  $\sim > 8\%$ )
- Inclusion – age 18-85, NIHSS  $\geq 6$
- 12 of 30 cases enrolled to date
- Not currently planning on recruiting additional sites
- Dr. Adeoye PI

# DESERVE Trial : Discharge Educational Strategies for Reduction of Vascular Events

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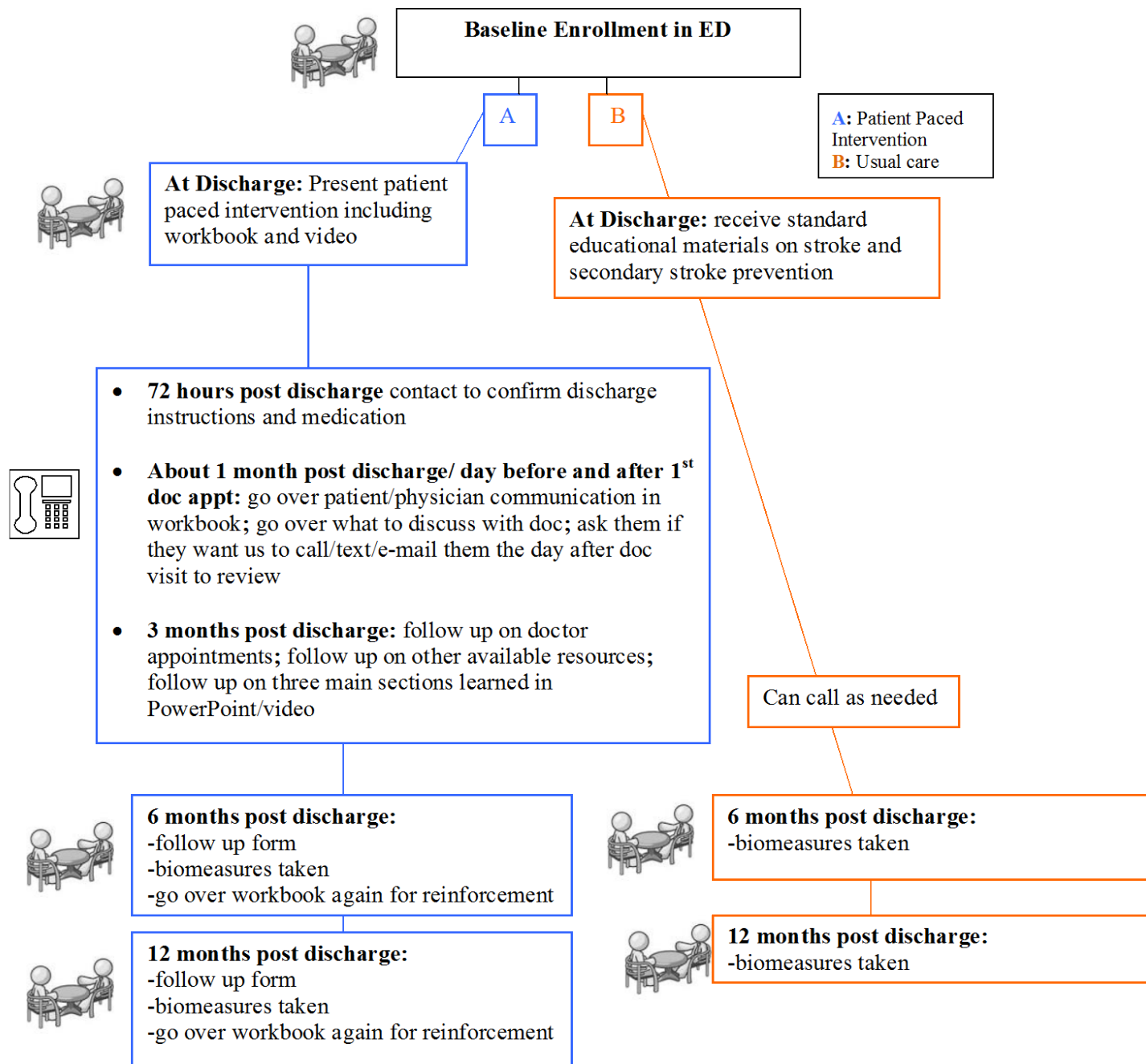
## Specific Aims

To evaluate the effectiveness of an innovative multi-level discharge intervention (skills, chronic care model, bilingual research health workers) versus standard discharge care on vascular risk reduction (BP, smoking, HbA1C, etc) among mild stroke/TIA patients at 12 months post discharge.

## Secondary Aims

1. Comparison of secondary stroke events
2. Analyze the independent contributions of Risk Perception, Adherence, Patient Physician Communication to primary outcomes.

PI Bernadette Boden-Albala  
P50 NS049060 (P2)



DESERVE is an innovative **patient-paced, multi-level** behavioral discharge intervention aimed at secondary stroke prevention through risk factor reduction in 800 mild stroke/TIA patients.

307 patients enrolled from NYU, Mount Sinai and Columbia.

### Inclusion Criteria

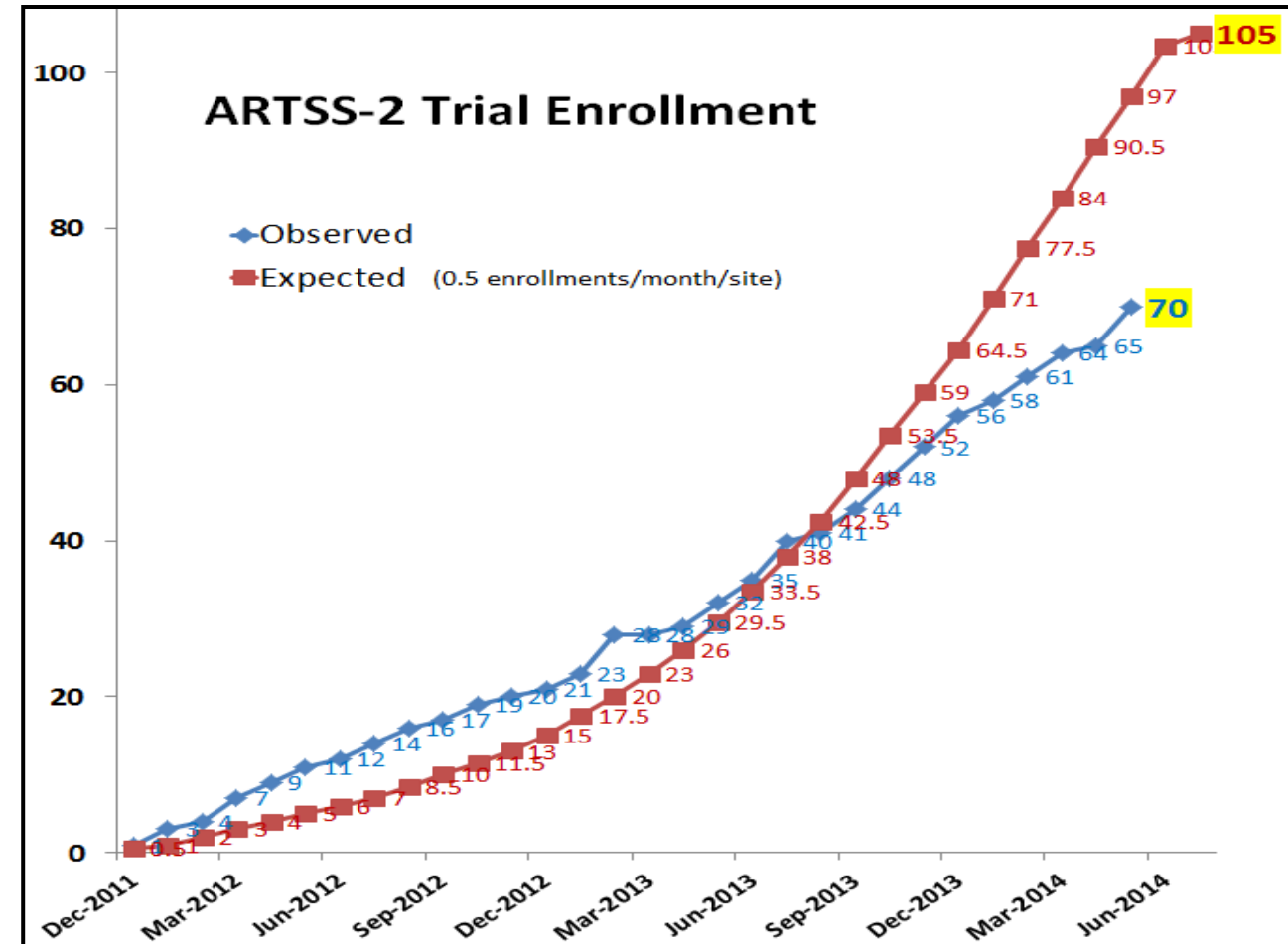
- Mild Stroke & TIA patients (consentable without waiver)
- NIHSS  $\leq 5$
- Vascular Risk Factors; including: Hypertension; Smoking ; Metabolic Syndrome

### Exclusion Criteria

- Unable to consent
- Resides or discharged to skilled nursing facility
- Poor survival odds over the study course (12 months)

# ARTSS-2: Phase IIb, randomized, multi-center trial of Argatroban in combination with recombinant tissue plasminogen activator for acute stroke

- *Andrew Barreto*, MD MS, Co-PI
- *James Grotta*, MD, Co-PI
- *Gary Ford*, MD, UK Chief Investigator
- *Mohammad H. Rahbar*, PhD, PI – Data Coordinating Center
- Argatroban – Direct Thrombin Inhibitor
- ARTSS-1 *Stroke* 2012, 43:770-775
  - 0.9mg/kg tPA + low-dose Argatroban × 48 hours
  - Three sICH (4.6%); Total study n=65
  - 40% complete recanalization of proximal intracranial occlusions at 2-hours (13% historical controls with t-PA-alone)



# ARTSS-2

- Major inclusion criteria

- **0-4.5 hour tPA-treated patients**  
(following ECASS-3 exclusions)
- **Age  $\geq 18$**  (no upper limit)
- **NIHSS  $\geq 10$** 
  - Or any NIHSS if clot demonstrated in proximal intracranial artery
- **INR  $\leq 1.5$**
- PTT within lab normal range
- **mRS  $< 2$**
- No endovascular therapy

- **Randomized to 1 of 3 treatment arms (n=35 each):**

- 1) Low-dose Argatroban will receive:

- 100  $\mu\text{g/kg}$  bolus then continuous infusion of 1.0  $\mu\text{g/kg/min}$  for 48 hrs.  
Target aPTT of **1.75 x baseline**

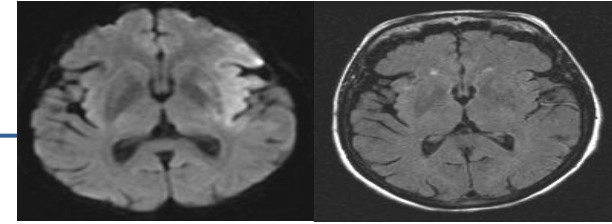
- 2) High-dose Argatroban will receive:

- 100  $\mu\text{g/kg}$  bolus then continuous infusion of 3.0  $\mu\text{g/kg/min}$  for 48 hrs.  
Target aPTT of **2.25 x baseline**

- 3) Intravenous-rt-PA alone

- Behind Recruitment

- Many sites are underperforming
- At current rate, study will complete in 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2015
- We are very open to [a small handful] of motivated centers who would like to join the study



# MR WITNESS

## Inclusion/Exclusion Summary

- 80 adult subjects age 18-85 with acute ischemic stroke
- Treatment with IV tPA between **4.5 h to 24 h since Last Known Well (LKW)**, and within 3 hr of **symptom discovery**
- Ineligible for on-label rt-PA
- Clinically disabling symptoms and an NIH Stroke Scale score of  $\leq 25$
- Otherwise eligible to receive rt-PA using usual clinical criteria (except time)
- No contraindications to MRI
- Admission MRI:
  - DWI Positive but FLAIR-negative or faintly positive (defined as a mean signal intensity ratio of 1.15 compared to FLAIR lesion less than 15% of normal tissue.
  - No evidence of CAA

## Safety Outcomes

- **Primary Outcome:** No significant increase in symptomatic intracranial hemorrhage rates c/w ECASS 3 (rate 5.3%; 95%CI: 3.3-7.9%) with predefined stopping rules
- **Secondary Outcome:** No significant increase in symptomatic brain edema with mass effect as the predominant cause of clinical deterioration c/w ECASS3 (rate 6.9%; 95%CI: 4.6–10.1%)

# MR WITNESS: Study Progress

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- 43/80 (54%) subjects enrolled at 5 sites
  - MGH, NINDS, UT Seton, WUSTL, UCLA, Cedar-Sinai
  - Seeking to add 5-10 additional sites (5 of these contracts pending)
- DSMB has met 3 times and there are no safety concerns
- Interested sites should contact Lee Schwamm ([lschwamm@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:lschwamm@mgh.harvard.edu))
- [clinicaltrials.gov/NCT01282242](https://clinicaltrials.gov/NCT01282242)



# NeuSTART - Phase 2

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- PI: Mitch Elkind, Columbia University
- NIH/NINDS P50 NS049060 (Marshall)
- Contact: mse13@columbia.edu
- **Hypothesis:** Short-term ultra-high-dose statin therapy is feasible and safe in patients with acute ischemic stroke.
- **Primary Aim:** Determine whether lovastatin 640 mg daily for 3 days beginning within 24 hours after acute stroke can be administered **safely**.
- **Secondary Aim:** Assess **efficacy** of lovastatin administered at high doses.

# NeuSTART 2: Key Points

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## Key Inclusion criteria:

- ISCHEMIC STROKE WITHIN 24 hrs
- AGE  $\geq 18$
- NIHSS  $\geq 2$
- IV/IA rt-PA allowed
- No history of significant liver or muscle disease

**Primary outcome:** Liver or muscle complications

**Secondary outcomes:** Barthel and mRS at 90 days

**Sites:** Columbia, BWH-Partners (Feske), Univ Miami (Romano), Mount Sinai (Dhamoon), UCLA (Starkman)

**Progress to date:** 80 patients enrolled; looking for 80 more

**Advantages:** 1. Includes patients who would may not be eligible for other acute trials.

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL SITES!** Contact: Mitch Elkind: mse13@columbia.edu

- **Investigational intervention:**
  - Endovascular hypothermia to 33°C, followed by rewarming over 12 hours to 36.5°C Group 1, best medical therapy with normothermia (Group 2). - randomization: 1:1
- **Study Population:**
  - Acute Ischemic Stroke, treated with IV tPA < 3hours, age 22-82, NIHSS 7-20 (left), 7-24 (right hemisphere)
- **Primary aims of the trial:**
  - To determine whether the combination of intravenous thrombolysis and hypothermia is superior to thrombolysis and normothermia for the treatment of acute ischemic stroke.
- **Status of ICTuS 2 (SPOTRIAS)**
  - On target to meet SPOTRIAS milestones (safety, feasibility of protocol, feasibility of hypothermia).
- **Role of StrokeNET:**
  - The study will be a Phase 3 pivotal efficacy study that follows a SPOTRIAS funded Phase 2 safety and feasibility trial using the identical protocol. Now that safety and feasibility are established, recruitment through StrokeNet will provide the essential boost to meet final recruitment target.

### •Enrolling sites

- Alexian Brothers, IL
- Abington Memorial, PA
- CHUV, Lausanne Switzerland
- Colorado Neurological, CO
- Columbia University, NY\*
- Cedars Sinai, CA\*
- University of Colorado, CO
- Hartford Hospital, CT
- UCSD, CA\*
- Scripps Mercy Hospital, CA\*
- Michigan State Univ, MI
- North Memorial, MN
- Sarasota Memorial, FL
- University of Florida, FL
- University of Miami, FL\*
- UT Houston, TX\*
- Yale University, CT

\*StrokeNET site

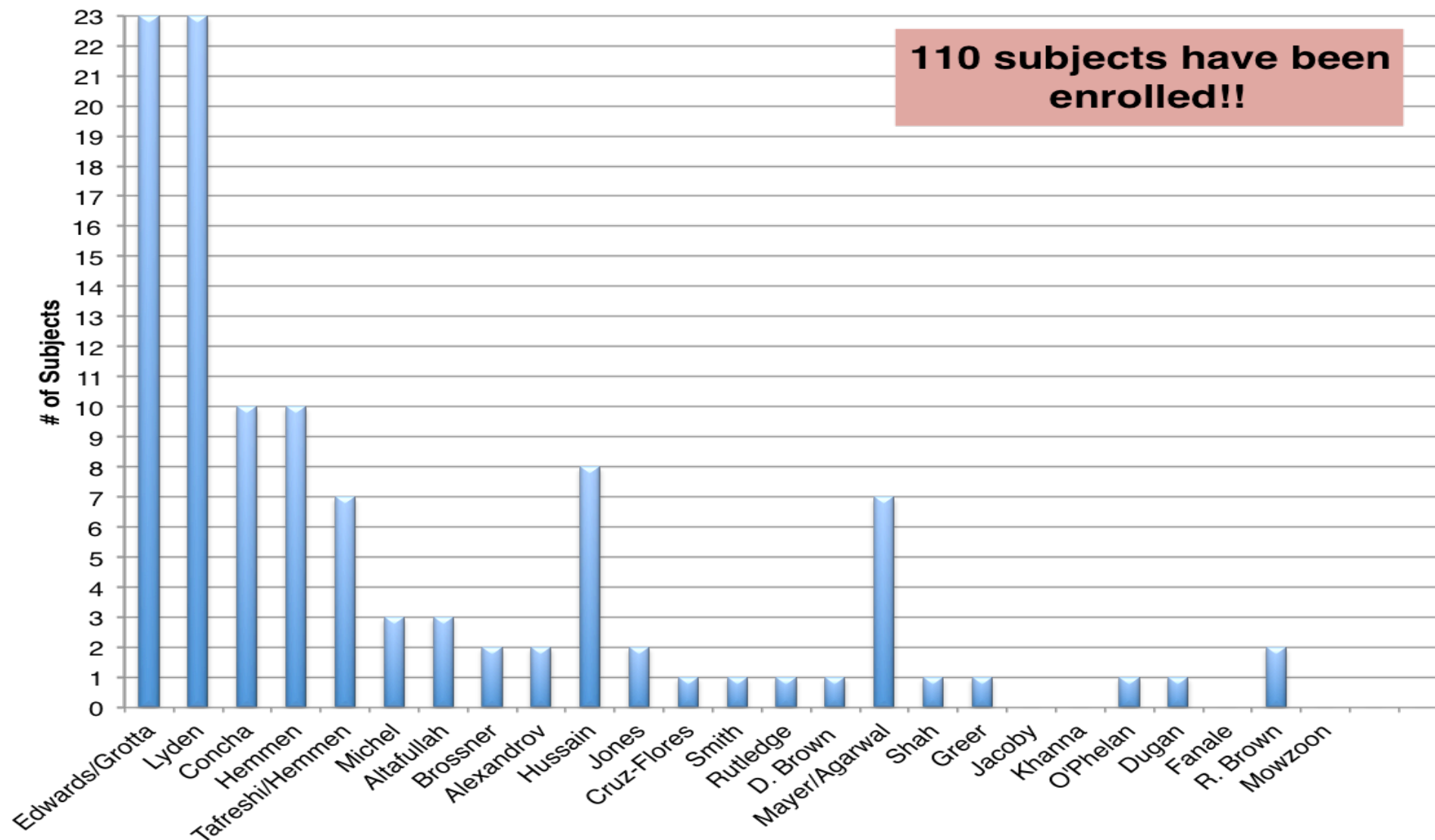
### Additional sites in start-up

- Lee Memorial-Gulf Coast, FL
- UT Southwestern, Dallas-TX
- University of Toledo, OH
- Henry Ford, MI\*
- University of Louisville, KY
- Intermountain System, UT
- Baylor University, Dallas-TX
- Lehigh Valley Hospital, PA
- Ochsner Clinic, New Orleans-LA
- Medical College of Wisconsin\*

Pat Lyden, P.I.



## Total Enrollment by Site (as of 05/27/14)





# NCC Staff Change and Opportunity

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- Laura Sauerbeck is retiring for family reasons.
- Judy Spilker will be assuming Laura's role but Judy's position is now open. Opening of position both internally and externally.
- The new posting for the pending vacancy within the NCC StrokeNet team is entitled **CLINICAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATOR/DIRECTOR**.
- If interested in applying, please visit [www.jobsatuc.com](http://www.jobsatuc.com)
  - Upper left hand side of the screen, you'll see SEARCH POSTINGS. Click there.
  - Type 214CM8310 in the field Position Number
  - Click SEARCH.
- Also can contact Rose Beckman for further information.