



WELCOME!

2021 Iowa Wellstone Dystroglycanopathy Patient and Family Conference



July 16-17 Iowa City, IA (and on Whova)



Thank you to this community

- Your thoughtfulness was overwhelming and so appreciated
- I am grateful to know you





For those not able to join in person, lowa in July







Acknowledgements to key people

- Organizers
 - Jaeda Harmon
 - Carrie Stephan
 - Shelley Mockler
 - Katie Laubscher
 - Chyan Decker
- Research team:
 - Chandra Miller
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 - Bryn Miller
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Thank you to our advisory council members!

- Dystroglycanopathy patient and family advisory council
 - Akemi Rogers
 - Tara Boone
 - Karen Cole
 - Vanessa Thorpe
 - Kelly Brazzo
 - Julie Savage
- Please let us know if you would be willing to serve on this board

Whole Wellstone Center Advisory Boards. Thank you!

- Internal (U of Iowa)
 - Ted Abel
 - Christopher Ahern
 - Christopher Cooper
 - Peggy Nopoulos
 - George Richerson
 - Michael Shy

- External
 - Barry Byrne (Florida)
 - Anne Connolly (Ohio)
 - Jim Ervasti (Minnesota)
 - Trisha Tully (parent/patient representative)

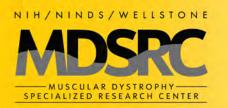
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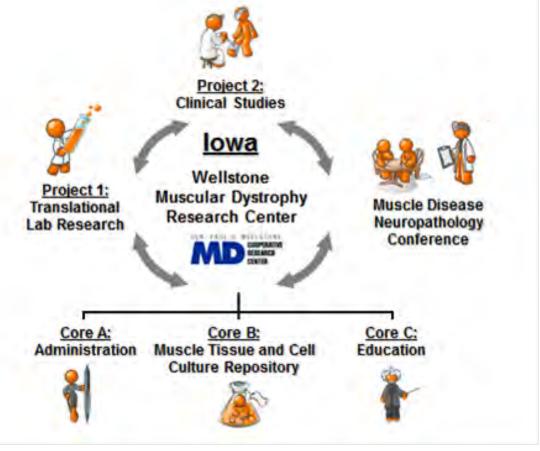
Senator Paul D. Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Specialized Research Center at the University of Iowa



Kevin P. Campbell, Steven A. Moore, Katherine D. Mathews

Iowa Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Center





Overall goal: Improve treatment for patients now and in the future

Wellstone Medical Student Fellows



Jamie Eskuri (2010-2011)
Pediatric Neuromuscular
Physician
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Steve McGaughey (2011-2012) Assistant professor, Emergency medicine University of Oregon



Katie Lutz (2012-2013) Assistant professor, Child neurology University of Iowa



Cameron Crockett (2013-2014) Neuromuscular fellow Washington University, St. Louis



Braden Jensen (2014-2015) General surgery Resident University of Iowa



Brianna Brun (2015-2016) Child Neurology Resident Ohio State University



Courtney Carlson (2016-2017)
Orthopedic surgery Resident Mayo Clinic, Rochester



Angela Lee ((2017-2018)
Pediatrics/Genetics Resident
Washington University, St. Louis



Natalie Manhica (2019-2020) Anesthesia resident University of Iowa



Eric Libell (2019-2020) Neurology resident University of Cincinnati

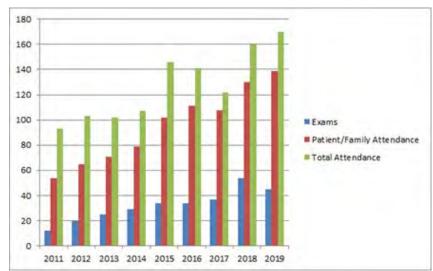


Lauren Coffey (2020-2021) M4, University of Iowa

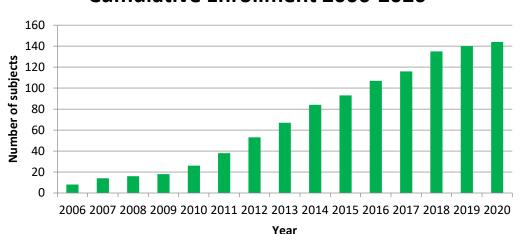
Enrollment was impacted by pandemic

- Covid19 had a major impact on clinical research
- 2020 conference via Zoom had 118 unique viewers from around the world
- New enrollment often associated with conference

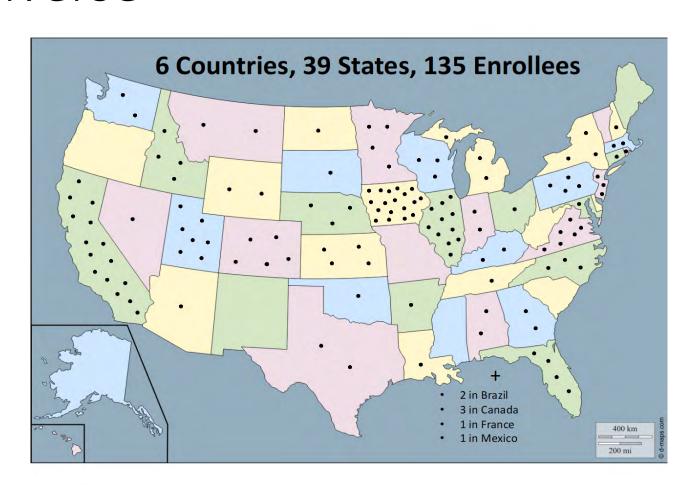
Conference attendance through 2019



Cumulative Enrollment 2006-2020



Enrollment is geographically diverse



Previous conferences



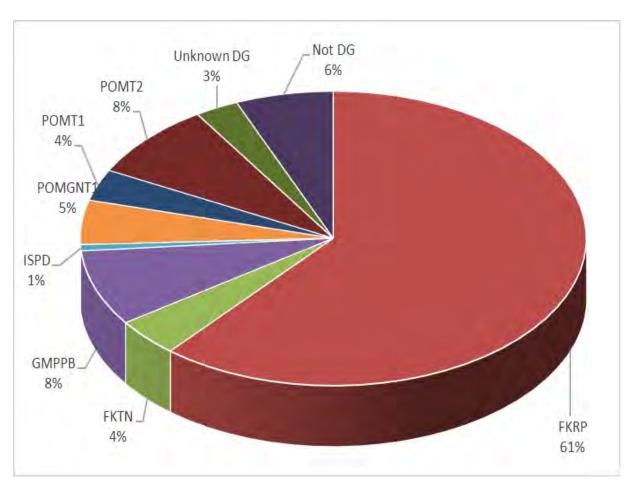
Community is an important part of the conferences

Virtual attendees--you can participate if you are able to travel

 We can schedule research visits throughout the year Monday-Friday

- Weekend exam date: October 23, 2021
- Email Carrie Stephan if interested in arranging a research visit
 - Carrie-Stephan@uiowa.edu

Distribution of Wellstone enrollees consented by genotype



Gene	
FKRP	88
FKTN	6
GMPPB	12
ISPD	1
POMGNT1	7
POMT1	5
POMT2	12
Unknown DG	4
Not DG	9

Publications this year from your information

Motor outcome measures in patients with *FKRP* mutations

Cumulative % who are not able to do the test by age

AGE IN YEARS	10 M WALK	4 STAIR CLIMB	STAND FROM LYING	6 MINUTE WALK
20	23	25	58	24
30	23	34	78	24
40	33	45	78	33
50	40	54	87	56

Adapted from Gedlinski, A. et al. Neurology October 13, 2020

Change in motor outcome measures after 6 years in patients with homozygous c.826C>A *FKRP* mutations compared to European cohort

Summary: they are remarkably similar

Table 6 Disease progression over 6 years in the present cohort compared with published results: adults homozygous for c.826C>A mutation

	Published cohort ²⁹ (n = 23)			Current cohort (n = 32)	
	Baseline median	Year 6 median	Difference	Mean annual change (95% CI)	Estimated 6-year change (95% CI)
FVC, sitting, %	77	64	-13	-1.97 (-2.4 to -1.6)	-11.8 (-14.1 to -9.5)
6MWT, m	391	286	-105	-15.23 (-22.6 to -7.8)	-91.4 (-135.7 to -47.0)
10MW/R, m/s	1.2	0.8	-0.4	-0.06 (-0.1 to -0.04)	-0.39 (-0.5 to -0.3)
4SC, stairs/s	0.7	0.4	-0.3	-0.05 (-0.1 to -0.03)	-0.3 (-0.5 to -0.2)
Knee extension, pounds	24.5	26.5	+2.0	-0.15 (-0.9 to 0.6)	-0.9 (-5.6 to 3.7)
Knee flexion, pounds	18,5	10.6	-7,9	-0.60 (-1.0 to -0.2)	-3.6 (-6.2 to 1.1)

Abbreviations: 4SC = time to climb 4 steps; 6MWT = 6-minute walk test; 10MW/R = 10-meter walk/run; CI = confidence interval; FVC = forced vital capacity. Values for knee extension and knee flexion were converted from kilograms to pounds.

- Gedlinski, A. et al. Neurology 2020
- Murphy AP, et al. Ann Clin Transl Neurol 2019

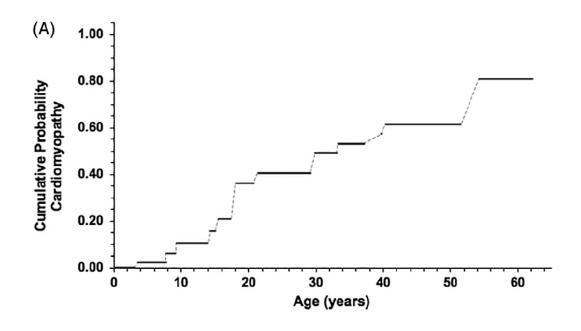
Pregnancy outcomes in LGMDR9

- More assisted deliveries (ex. vacuum extraction) but fewer c-sections than national average
- Babies were healthy
- About half of pregnancies resulted in progression of weakness that did not return to baseline
 - No clear predictors identified

• Libell, E, et al. Muscle and Nerve 2020

Cardiomyopathy in limb girdle muscular dystrophy R9, FKRP related

Libell, E. et al. Muscle and Nerve, 2021



Genotype	Number of participants	Number of echocardiograms reviewed	With abnormal echocardiogram count (%)	Age at first abnormal echocardiogram, y Median (95% CI)
c.826C>A, c.826C>A	29	86	9 (31)	54.2 (39.7-54.2)*
Other FKRP genotypes	27	71	16 (59)	18.1 (14.3-18.1)*
Total	56	157	25 (45)	33.3 (18.0-54.2)

This year's Wellstone fellow projects

- Diagnostic odyssey for patients with LGMD 2I/R9
 - See Lauren Coffey's video presentation
 - Spoiler: diagnosis is often delayed, delay differs by presenting symptom, but the delay is getting shorter
- Predicting time to loss of ambulation for patients with LGMD2I/R9
 - Lauren Coffey presentation at Ask the Doctor, FKRP related

Questions? (email, use Whova or ask any time during the weekend!)

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- Please complete conference evaluations through the Whova app
 - Paper copies available for Iowa City attendees if preferred