

A data-driven decision making framework for the selection, application, and development of advanced in-vitro models for preclinical drug development.

**Our Data is our greatest asset and opportunity**

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# How do we climb this ladder?

Where are we now and where do we want to go?



Status Quo



Innovative idea



Data Collection



Data Integration and modelling



Better predictions  
New Status Quo



Planetary Motion: The History of an Idea That Launched the Scientific Revolution.  
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# Translation Rate from pre-clinical models to Clinical Trials

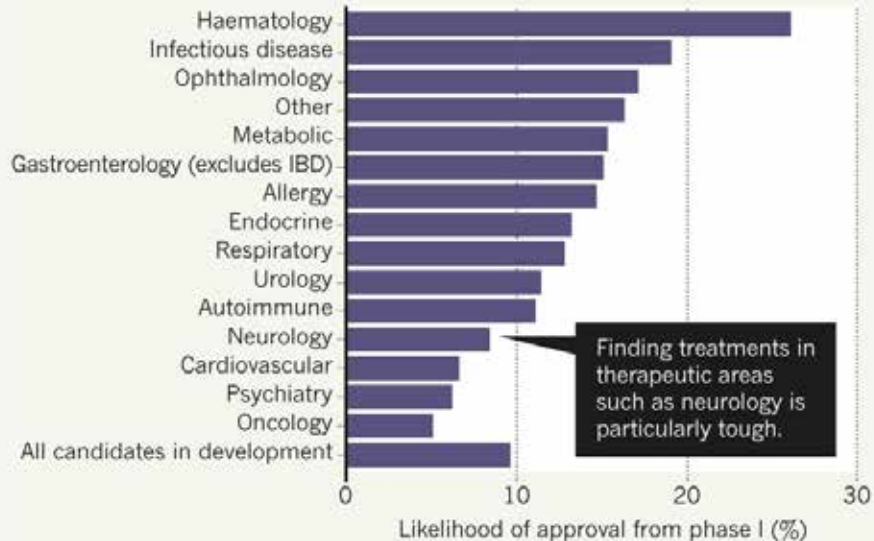
We need to make better predictions



Alteri, E & Guizzaro, L. Be open about drug failures to speed up research. *Nature* 563, 317–319 (2018).

## HIGH FAILURE RATE

In 7,455 drug-development programmes from 2006 to 2015, fewer than 10% of experimental drugs were found to be safe and effective, and then approved for market.



IBD, inflammatory bowel disease.

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# What makes it challenging to make good predictions?

**Humans are not animals** - Diverse palette of advanced in-vitro models rapidly evolving and expanding

COMMENT

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## REVIEWS

Ingber, D.E. *Nat Rev Genet* 1–25 (2022)



Human organs-on-chips for disease modelling, drug development and personalized medicine

Donald E. Ingber<sup>1,2,3</sup>



3R  
Reduce  
Refine  
Replace

## Opportunities and challenges with microphysiological systems: a pharma end-user perspective

Lorna Ewart<sup>1</sup> and Adrian Roth<sup>2</sup>

Using human-relevant, translational in vitro models is widely considered to reduce attrition during drug discovery and development. Despite this, the adoption of models based on microphysiological systems — organs-on-chips or organoids — by pharma companies is moderate at best, and realizing the full potential of these models will need greater collaboration between stakeholders.

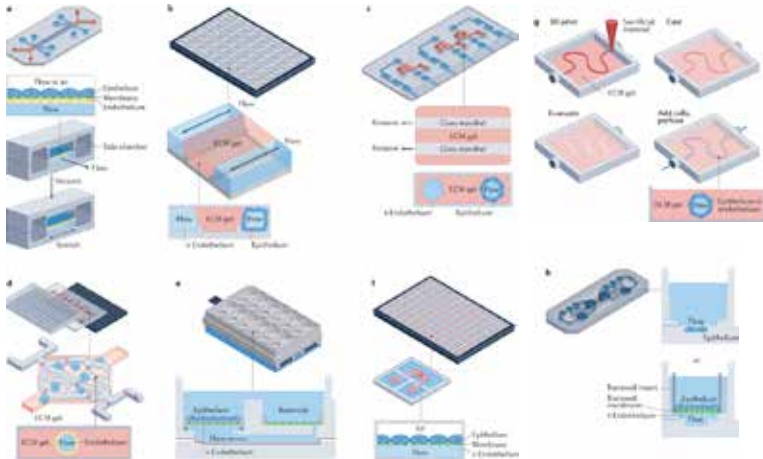
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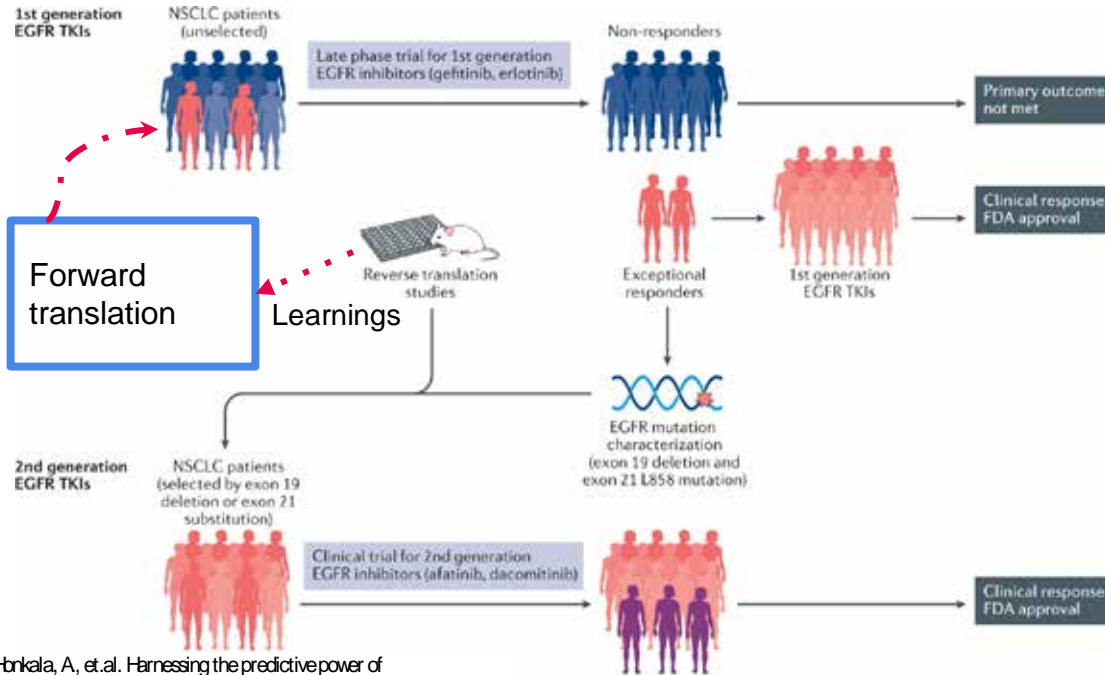
## Transforming preclinical assessment to meet clinical relevance with advanced models

Ekaterina Breous-Nystrom, Sven Kronenberg, Estelle Marrer-Berger, Adrian Roth, Thierry Lave and Thomas Singer

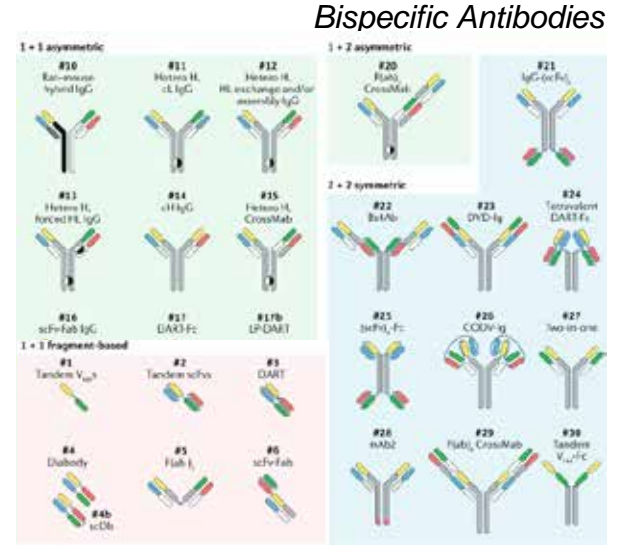


# What makes it challenging to make good predictions?

**Biological Diversity** - Why do we respond different to a treatment? - Patient Stratification



**Growing arsenal of therapeutic modalities** - Complex mode of action



Labrijn, A.F., Janmaat, M.L., Reichert, J. M&Parren, P. W.H.I. Bispecific antibodies: a mechanistic review of the pipeline. *Nature reviews Drug Discovery* 18, 585–608 (2019).

Hrnkala, A, et.al. Harnessing the predictive power of preclinical models for oncology drug development. *Nat Rev Drug Discov* 21, 99–114 (2022).

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**Reproducibility** is a real challenge - Especially for long term learning cycles

BIOMEDICINE

## Key cancer results failed to be reproduced

Project to replicate high-impact preclinical cancer studies delivers sobering verdict

SCIENCE FORUM

### An open investigation of the reproducibility of cancer biology research

Abstract It is widely believed that research that builds upon previously published findings has reproduced the original work. However, it is rare for researchers to perform or publish direct

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Kaiser J. Science. 2021 Dec 10;374(6573):1311.

### REPRODUCIBILITY PROJECT CANCER BIOLOGY

#### Investigating the replicability of preclinical cancer biology

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Errington, T.M. *et al.* *Elife* 10, e71601 (2021).

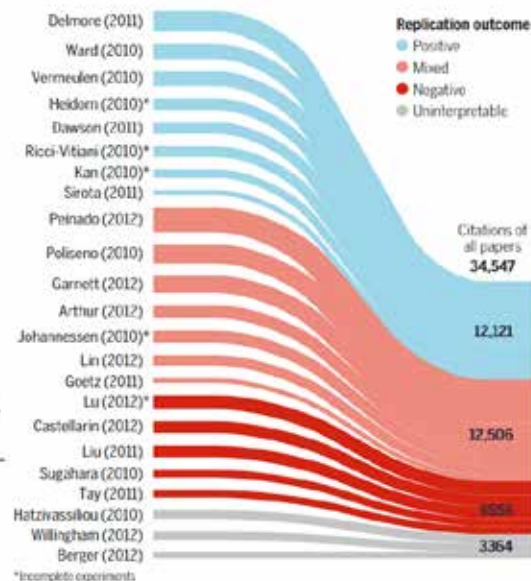
### HALF OF CANCER STUDIES FAIL HIGH-PROFILE REPLICATION TEST

Barriers to reproducing preclinical results included unhelpful author communication.

Millard, A Half of top cancer studies fail high-profile reproducibility effort. *Nature* 600, 368–369 (2021).

### Disappointing numbers

Out of 53 prominent preclinical cancer papers, only 23 could be put to the test, and many did not have clearly reproducible results.

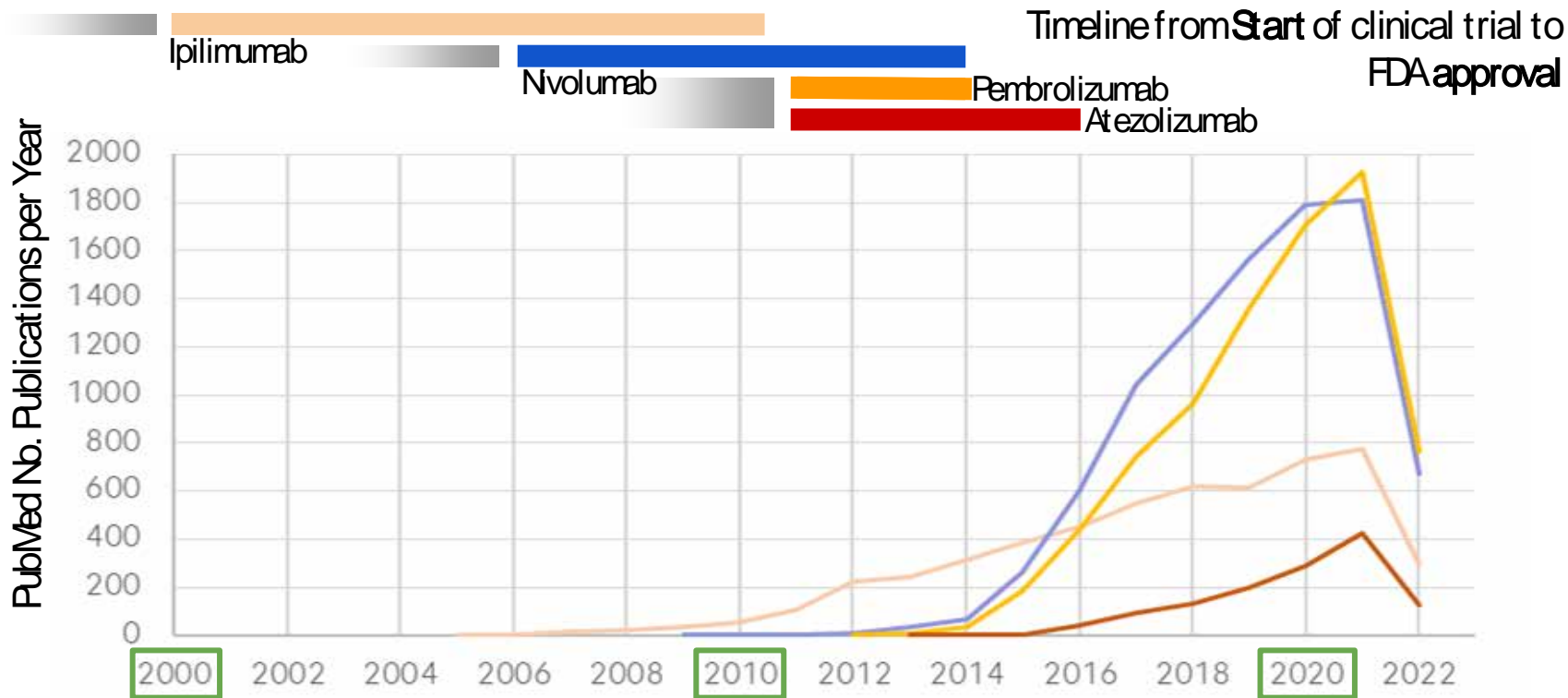


### Key Learnings

- Reporting Standards
- Documentation: Experiment, Materials, Data, Code, Analysis
- Registration
- Transparency
- Incentives for Replication

# Learnings on translational power arrive YEARS after clinical trial start

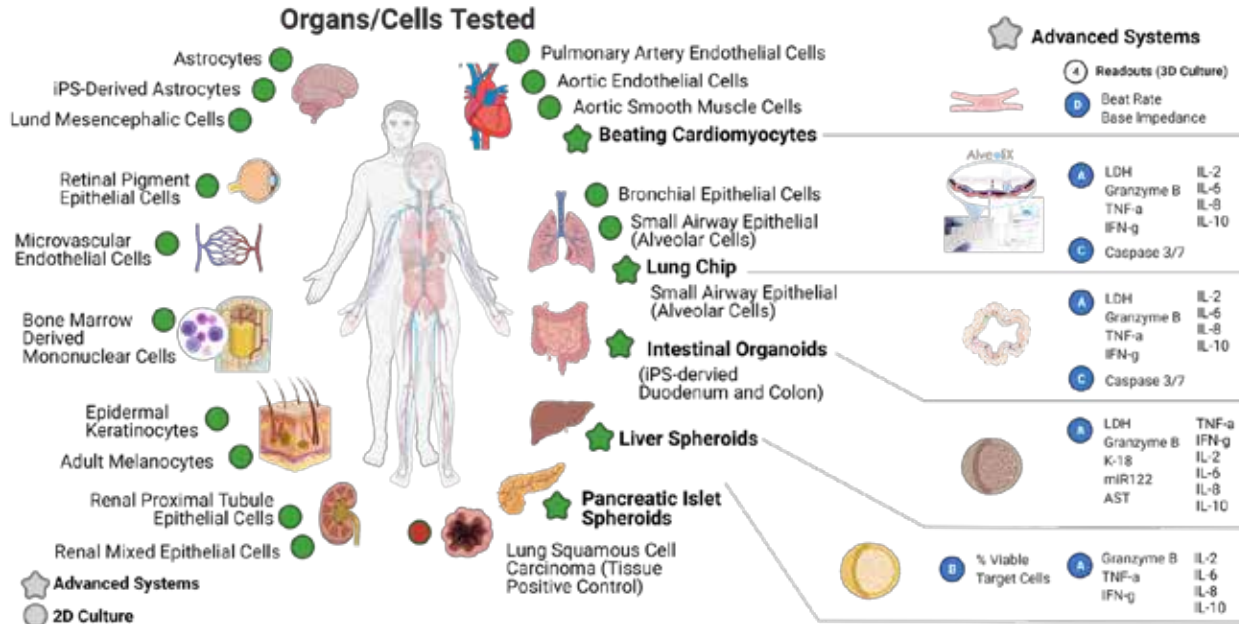
AND we still need to **make decisions TODAY** before clinical trials get started...



# How do we put a molecule in the clinic? Without animal studies

## Enabling Entry into Human (EiH) In-vitro ONLY Safety Regulatory Package

*TCR-like TCB that binds to a peptide (vs a protein) in the context of the MHC complex- Animal safety testing not possible due to the human-animal MHC mismatches and peptidome differences*



### Advanced Systems

- A** Readouts (3D Culture)
- B** Beat Rate
- D** Base Impedance



- A** LDH, Granzyme B, TNF- $\alpha$ , IFN- $\gamma$ , IL-2, IL-6, IL-8, IL-10
- C** Caspase 3/7



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- A** LDH, Granzyme B, TNF- $\alpha$ , IFN- $\gamma$ , K-18, IL-2, IL-6, IL-8, IL-10
- B** % Viable Target Cells
- A** Granzyme B, TNF- $\alpha$ , IFN- $\gamma$ , IL-2, IL-6, IL-8, IL-10

### Many Sources

Internal, Collaborators

External (CRO)

### Variable Complexity

2D, Organoids, Spheroids

Microphysiological Systems

### Variable Readouts

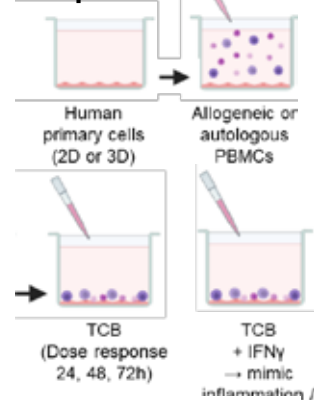
Cytokines, PCR, Functional Low Dimensional, Microscopy, Flow Cytometry, OMCS



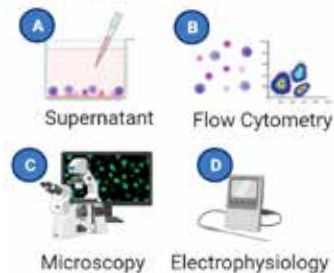
# Data integration and interpretation at different levels

For each model, replicate, timepoint, readout...

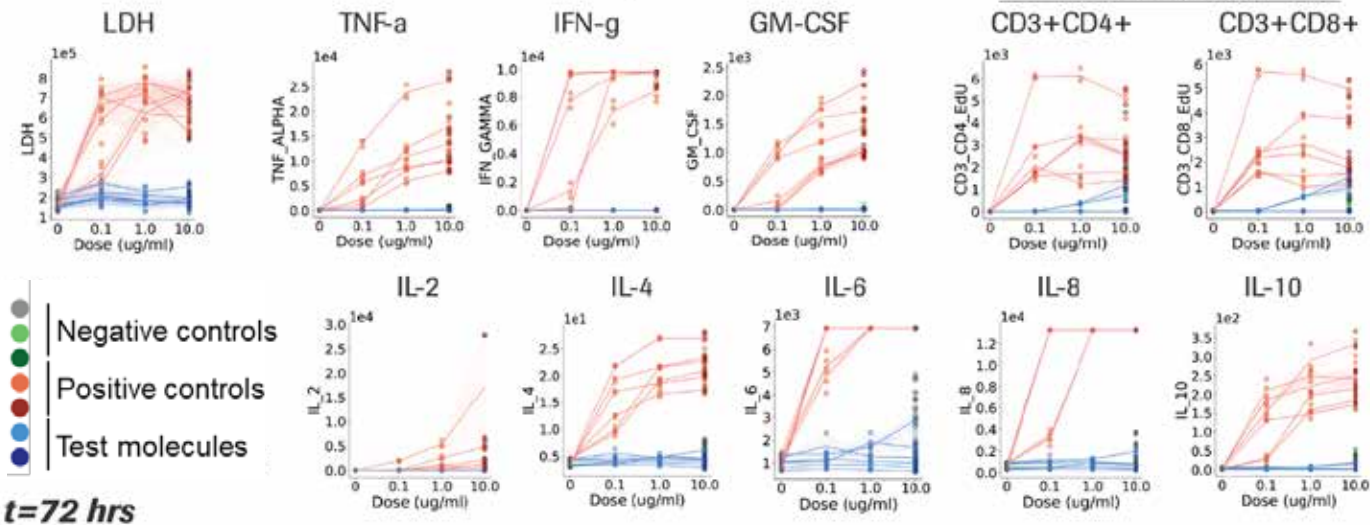
## Experimental Setup



## Readouts



## Kidney - Renal Proximal Tubule Epithelial Cells



Pharmaceutical Sciences Crossfunctional effort including iSafe (Investigative and Immuno-Safety)

# Today's Challenges - Data driven decision-making

How do we deal with ~3+ Million Conditions?!

## Challenges:

- Multi-Model
- Multi-Readout
- Complex integration
- Complex interpretation
- Difficult to proof translatability
- Portfolio with large, complex, evolving molecules
- Physiological Relevance
- Technical complexity
- Evolving models

## In Numbers:

- 21 Organ Tissues Tested
- 4 Levels of complexity
- 5+ different sites/labs (including CROs and collaborators)
- 4+ Biological Replicates
- 3+ Technical Replicates on biological samples
- 3+ Technical Replicates on readouts
- 4+ Treatments
- 2 (+/-) Inflammation conditions
- 4+ Doses
- 4+ Time-points
- ~30+ Different Readout Types

**= 2,903,040+ Conditions**

*(and more...)*

## Plus Metadata on:

- Individual
- Tissue
- Biospecimen (Cells/organoids)
- Experiment
- Platform
- Samples
- Readouts
- Analysis

“

*Think about trying to find  
and understand these  
data in 10 years time*

***... could you do it?***

”

# We can only do it with good scientific data management

Prospective FAIR Data is a framework to get there

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## SCIENTIFIC DATA

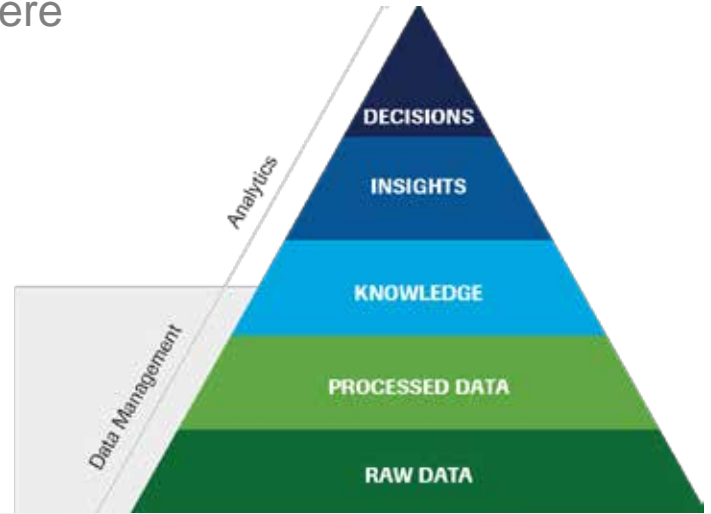
Amended: Addendum

**OPEN** Comment: The FAIR Guiding Principles for scientific data management and stewardship

SUBJECT CATEGORIES

- Research data
- Publication characteristics

Mark D. Wilkinson et al.\* *Wilkinson, M.D. et al. . Sci Data 3, 160018 (2016).*



**Findability**  
Where are our data?



**Accessibility**  
How can I get the data?



**Interoperability**  
How can I connect or integrate the data?



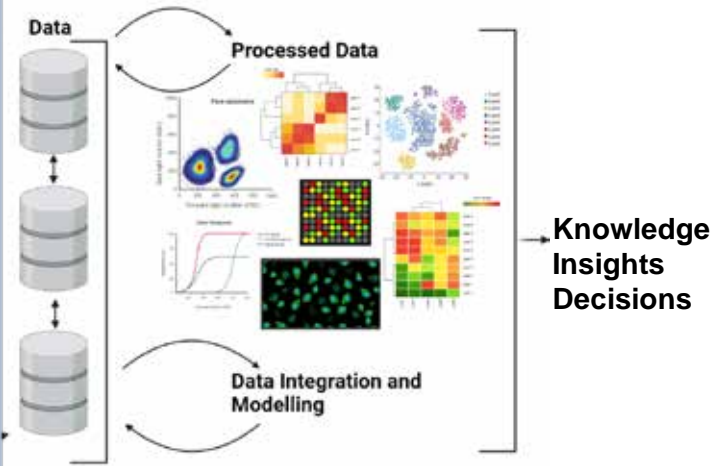
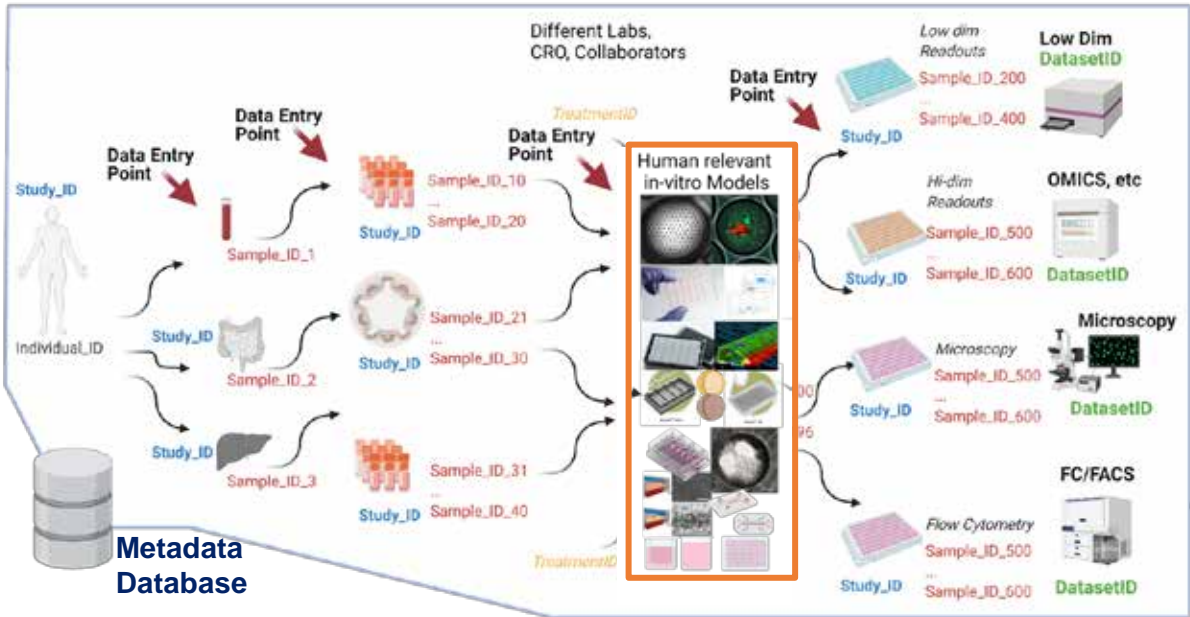
**Reusability**  
Can our data be easily shared and used again?

# End-to-End FAIR Data Management

Human Biology-centric. Privacy/Confidentiality Compliance  
 Planning, Sourcing, Implementing, Generating Data...

Specimen Lineage, Metadata collection and storage

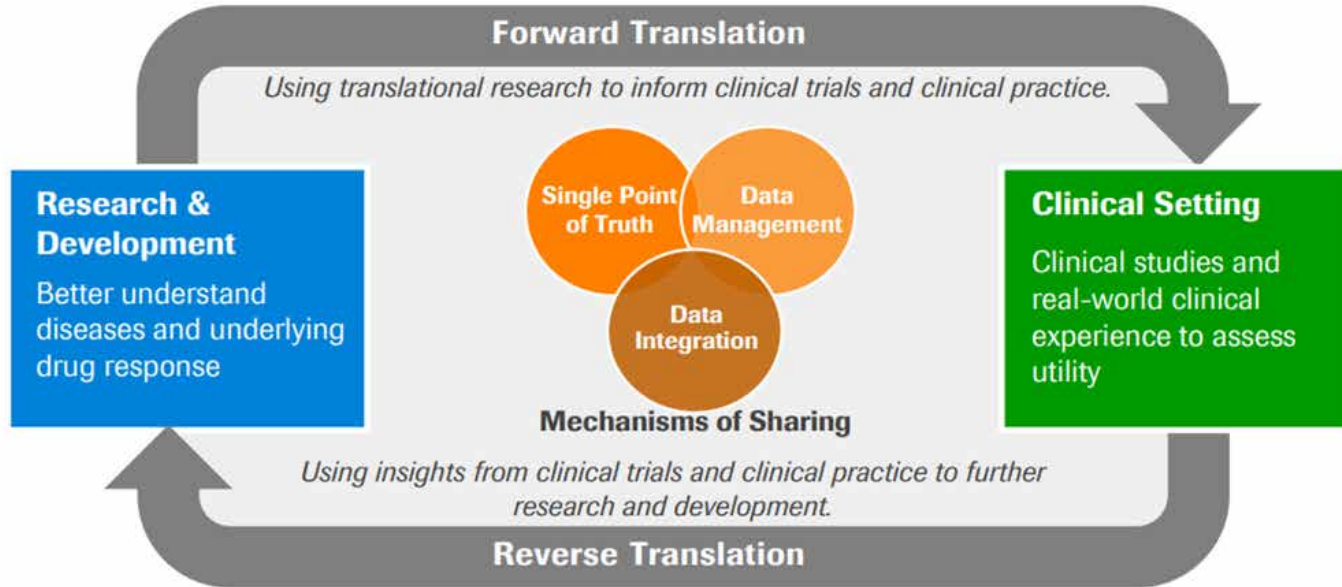
- Decision Making-GO/NO-GO?
- De-risking Strategy
- Regulatory Filing
- Connectivity to Clinical Data Repositories
- Increase Confidence on Translation Power

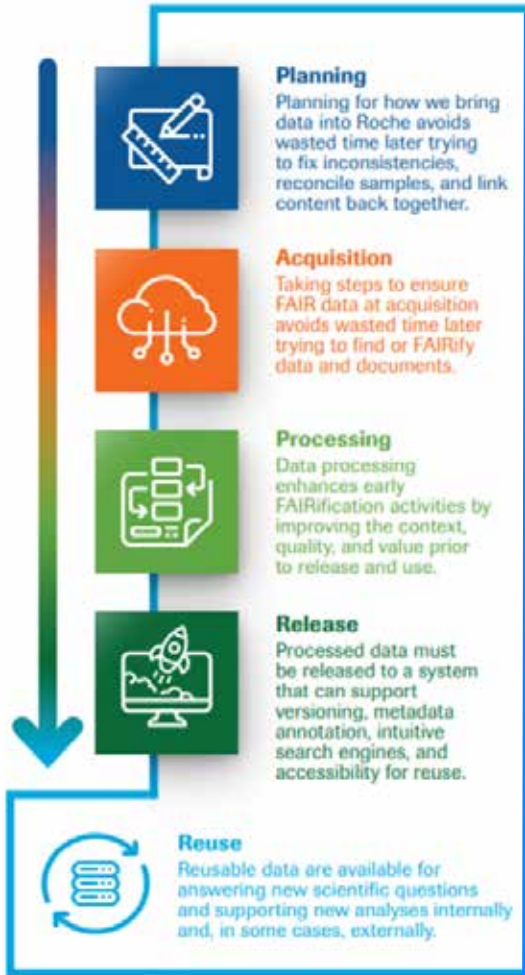


# Reverse and Forward Translation rely on long term data

Make our data FAIR and SHARED to accelerate generating meaningful insights

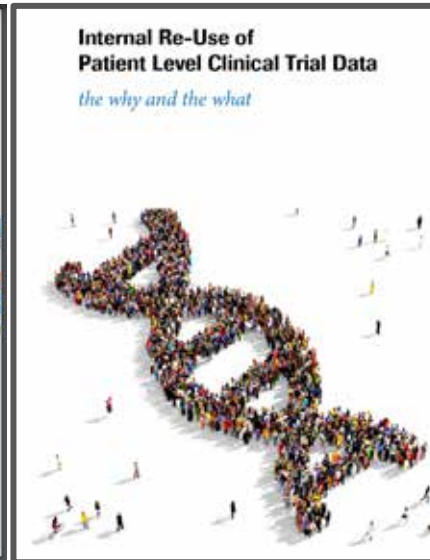
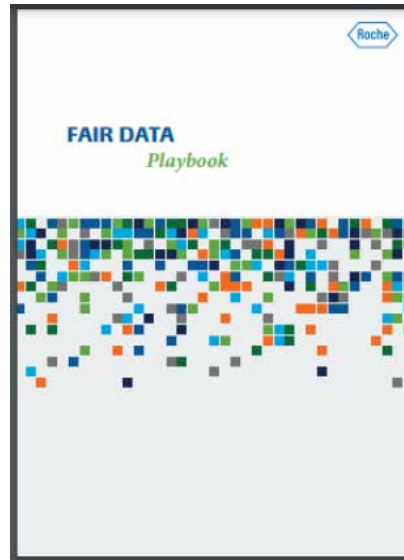
## Enhanced Data & Insights Sharing (EDIS) Program





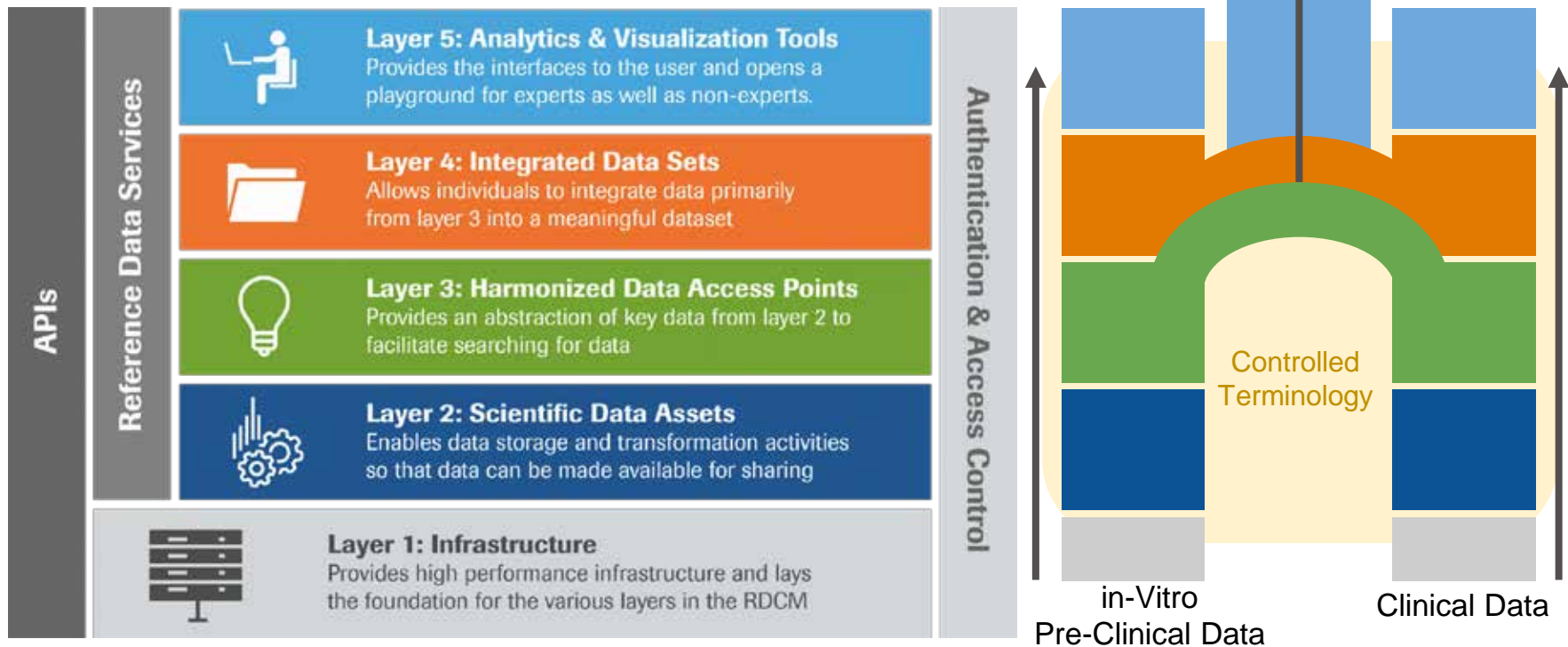
# Extend FAIR Clinical Data Practices to in-vitro work

Move toward Prospective FAIRification Internally and with our Partners, Collaborators and Vendors



# Linking Clinical with in-vitro pre-clinical data

We need to climb the FAIR data ladder to connect and translate







# We get there by standing on the shoulders... of a GIANT community of incredible colleagues

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