



# Clinical research in LGMD2A: where are we?

LA DISTROFIA DEI CINGOLI DA DEFICIT DI CALPAINA 3:  
DAL GENE AL PAZIENTE

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- Despite improvement of the diagnostics and pathomechanism of LGMD2A, no curative therapies are currently available
- Current medical care consists of symptomatic treatment of the disease and its complications
  - Prevent development of joint contractures
  - Supportive interventions to maintain mobility and independency
  - Respiratory care
- Aim: prolong survival and improve quality of life.

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*ClinicalTrials.gov*

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## Evaluation of Limb-Girdle Muscular Dystrophy

**This study has been completed.**

**Sponsor:**  
Cooperative International Neuromuscular Research Group

**Collaborator:**  
Carolinas Medical Center lead study site

**Information provided by (Responsible Party):**  
Cooperative International Neuromuscular Research Group

**ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:**  
NCT00893334  
  
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### **Purpose**

The purpose of this study is to understand the biochemistry of different types of Limb-Girdle Muscular Dystrophy International Neuromuscular Research Group (CINRG). It involves a one day clinical evaluation at a participating site by a physician, pulmonary function testing, a complete cardiac evaluation with electrocardiogram (ECG or EKG) and a participant will be asked to fill out a couple of questionnaires asking questions about quality of life and activity level.

## Clinical Trial of Coenzyme Q10 and Lisinopril in Muscular Dystrophies

**This study is ongoing, but not recruiting participants.**

**Sponsor:**  
Cooperative International Neuromuscular Research Group

**Collaborator:**  
Department of Defense

**Information provided by (Responsible Party):**  
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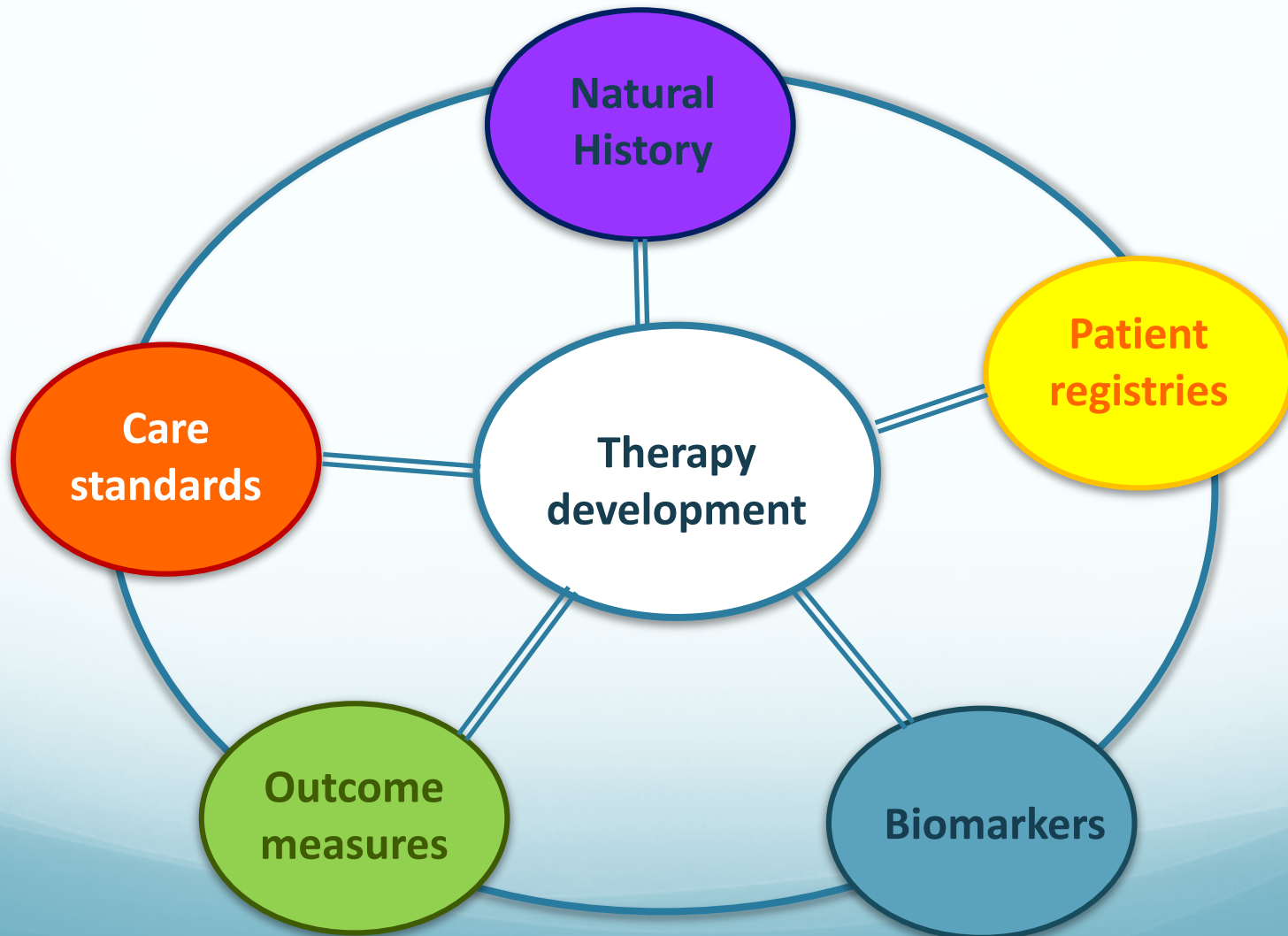
### **Purpose**

The study will include 120 participants aged 8 and up with Duchenne, Becker, or autosomal recessive limb-girdle muscular dystrophy. The study will include four arms: Arm 1 CoQ10 alone, Arm 2 Lisinopril alone, Arm 3 CoQ10 and Lisinopril or Arm 4 No study medication. Randomized standard Doppler echocardiography. The study will last 24 months with visits at Months 0.5, 1.5, 6, 12, 18 and 24.

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Clinical trials.gov ID / Ref	Trial name / Article	Purpose	Interventional drug / Natural history	State (last update on Clinicaltrials.gov)	LGMD2																						
					A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W
					CARN	DYSF	SGCG	SGCA	SGCB	SGCD	TCAP	TRIM 32	FKRP	TTN	POMY 1	ANOS	FKTN	POMY 2	ROH1	DAG1	FLEC	DES	TRA FPC1	GMP PB	ISPD	GAA	LIMS2
NCT00953334	Evaluation of Limb-Girdle Muscular Dystrophy	To understand the biochemistry of different types of LGMD - determine appropriate outcome measures	Natural history	Completed 2014 (Mar 2014)	X	X								X													
NCT01403402	Congenital Muscle Disease Patient and Proxy Reported Outcome Study (CMOPRO B)	To describe early signs and symptoms, and adverse events in CMDs	Natural history	Recruiting (Feb 2015)						X		X	X	X	X												
NCT01676077	Clinical Outcome Study for Dysferlinopathy	To determine the clinical outcome measures - characterize the disease progression - collect biological samples for the identification of biomarkers	Natural history	Ongoing - recruitment closed March 2014 (Apr 2015)	X																						
NCT02165355	Muscle MRI in Becker Muscular Dystrophy and in Limb-girdle Muscular Dystrophy Type 2l	To investigate muscle hypertrophy in the calves and tongue seen in patients affected by Becker muscular dystrophy and LGMD2l	Natural history	Recruiting (Jun 2014)								X															
NCT00313677	Clinical Trial Readiness for the Dystroglycanopathies	To describe the early signs and symptoms of the dystroglycanopathies, and to gather information that will be required for future clinical trials.	Natural history	Recruiting (May 2012)						X		X		X	X												
NCT01126697	Clinical Trial of Coenzyme Q10 and Lisinopril in Muscular Dystrophies	To compare CoQ10/ Lisinopril/ CoQ10+Lisinopril for CMP prevention	Interventional drug Phase III/III	Ongoing - recruitment closed (Oct 2014)				X	X	X	X		X														
NCT00527225	Deflazacort in Dysferlinopathies	To assess the natural history - evaluate therapeutic efficacy and side effects of Deflazacort in LGMD2B	Interventional drug Phase III/III	Completed 2008 (Jan 2009) [66]	X																						
NCT01344750	Clinical Study of AAV1-gamma-sarcoglycan Gene Therapy for LGMD2C	To evaluate of clinical safety and feasibility of gene therapy with LGMD2C	Interventional drug Phase I	Completed 2010 (Apr 2011) [67]			X																				
NCT01976051	Gene Transfer Clinical Trial for LGMD2D (Alpha-sarcoglycan Deficiency) Using scAAV874-IMCK-EGFP	To evaluate of clinical safety and efficacy of gene therapy in LGMD2D	Interventional drug Phase II/II	Recruiting (Feb 2015)				X																			
NCT02494195	Gene Transfer Therapy for Treating Children and Adults with Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy Type 2D (LGMD2D)	To evaluate the safety and effectiveness of gene therapy in treating children and adults with LGMD2D	Interventional drug Phase I	Completed (Feb 2013) [68]				X																			
NCT01020279	A phase III trial of MYO-228 in adult subjects with muscular dystrophy	To evaluate safety of MYO-228 in adult patients with muscular dystrophy.	Interventional drug Phase III	Completed (Dec 2007) [69]	X	X	X	X	X			X															
NCT0185564	Safety and Efficacy Evaluation of Repeat neoGAA Dosing in Late Onset Pompe Disease Patients	To evaluate the safety and tolerability of neoGAA in treatment naïve and aglycosidase-deficient late-onset Pompe disease patients.	Interventional drug Phase I	Completed (March 2015) (extension study NCT02032524 ongoing - Phase 2/3)																				X			
not registered	TG25(OH)2-Vitamin D5 increases dysferlin expression in vitro and in a human clinical trial.	To evaluate effects of VMD in cell line and carriers subject (15 carriers, 12 months - increase in monocyte expression)	VMD	[70]		X																					
not registered	Effects of rituximab in two patients with dysferlin-deficient muscular dystrophy.	To evaluate effects of rituximab on muscle strength in 2 patients with Myosin myopathy	rituximab	[71]		X																					
not registered	Homologous α-sarcoglycan mutation in two siblings: one asymptomatic and one steroid-responsive mid limb-girdle muscular dystrophy patient	To describe of response to treatment with Deflazacort in one patient with LGMD2D	Deflazacort	[72]				X																			
not registered	Two siblings with limb-girdle muscular dystrophy type 2E responsive to Deflazacort.	To evaluate response to treatment with Deflazacort in two patients with LGMD2E	Deflazacort	[73]					X																		
not registered	Inflammation and response to steroid treatment in limb-girdle muscular dystrophy 2l.	To evaluate response to treatment with prednisolone in 2 patients with LGMD2l	prednisolone	[74]									X														
Available outcome measures	Quantitative muscle MRI as an assessment tool for monitoring disease progression LGMD2l: a multicentre longitudinal study.	To evaluate quantitative muscle MRI as a possible longitudinal outcome measure to assess muscle pathology and monitor therapeutic efficacy		[75]								X															
	Cardiovascular magnetic resonance or cardiomyopathy in limb girdle muscular dystrophy 2B and 2l.	To evaluate cardiac function by MRI in monitoring cardiac pathology progression		[76]			X						X														
	<a href="http://www.researchchron.com/masterlist">http://www.researchchron.com/masterlist</a>	Guidance, information and assistance for choosing the right outcome measures (OMs) for neuromuscular disease trials and studies																									
GMDC - Having various registries					X	X						X		X	X	X						X					

# LGMD2A: Trial Readiness

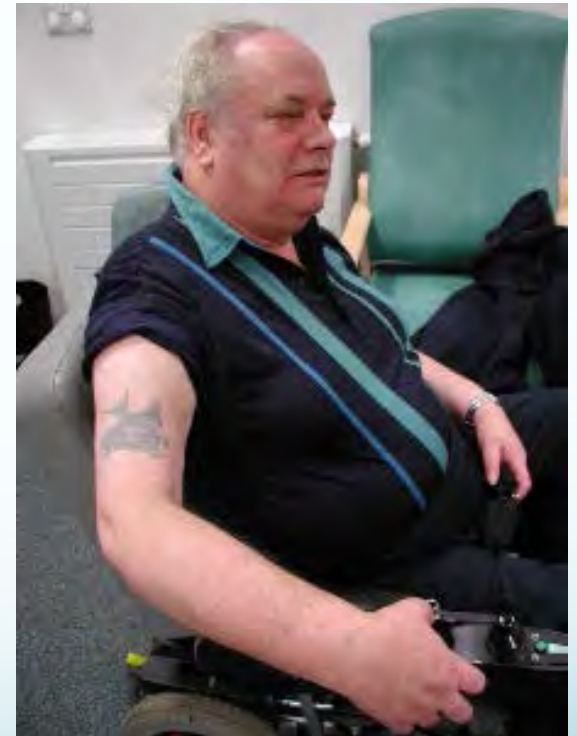


# LGMD 2A: Natural History

- Mean age of onset: 8-15 years (range 2-40 years)
- CK: 5-80X
- Progression: moderate
- Loss of ambulation: 11-28 years from onset
- Contractures: common
- Respiratory impairment: uncommon
- Cardiomyopathy: rare

# LGMD 2A: Natural History

- Inter- and intra familiar variability
- Childhood versus adult onset
- Rate of progression



# LGMD2A: Natural History

- Clinical study design
  - Duration of the study
  - Monitoring
- Outcome measures
  - Clinically meaningful
  - Sensitive to change
- Therapeutic effect
  - Against natural course of the disease



# Outcome measures

- A measure of the quality of medical care (including pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions)
  - Feasible
  - Reliable
  - Reproducible
  - Sensitive
- Measure of functional abilities according to the severity or the stage of the diseases



# LGMD2A: Outcome measures

- Manual muscle testing (MRC)
- North Star Ambulatory Assessment
  - Time to rise from the floor
  - Time to run/walk 10 meters
  - Time to climb 4 steps
- Time up and go
- 6Minute walking test (6MWT)



# Patient registry

- Database to collect information about people affected by a particular condition
- Genetic and Medical information
- LGMD is a rare condition - without a patient registry finding enough patients for a trial can take a long time
- Keep patients informed about research, clinical trials and outcomes

# Care standards

- Homogeneous population for clinical trial
- Studies in DMD with investigational drugs have underlined the impact of care standards in clinical trial

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## Diagnosis and management of Duchenne muscular dystrophy, part 1: diagnosis, and pharmacological and psychosocial management

*Katharine Bushby, Richard Finkel, David J Birnkrant, Laura E Case, Paula R Clemens, Linda Cripe, Ajay Kaul, Kathi Kinnett, Craig McDonald, Shree Pandya, James Poysky, Frederic Shapiro, Jean Tomezsko, Carolyn Constantin, for the DMD Care Considerations Working Group\**



# Patient registry

- Identification of subjects suitable for clinical trials
- Patient registries allow people to who may be eligible for certain trials to be contacted quickly and easily
- Geographically locate subjects with specific characteristic (site selection)
- Doctors and researcher can also access the medical data to learn more about the condition



## LGMD2A Patient Registry

Welcome to the LGMD2A global patient registry. The purpose of this site is to compile a list of individuals who have been diagnosed with limb-girdle muscular dystrophy (LGMD) type 2A, or calpain-3 deficiency.

[Click to Register](#)

[Home](#) >> [Click to Register](#)

### Resources

- [Coalition to Cure Calpain-3 \(C3\)](#)
- [Muscular Dystrophy Association](#)
- [OMIM Description of LGMD2A](#)
- [NIH GeneReviews - Calpainopathy](#)
- [Front Page](#)
- [LGMD2A Patient FAQ](#)

### Patient Registration

Thank you for registering.

By registering in the LGMD2A/calpainopathy screening database you will be providing us with certain individually-identifiable healthcare information. We will hold your individually identifiable information in the strictest of confidence, and will only use or disclose it to others with your specific consent.

By providing your individually identifiable health care information in the following Patient Registration, you authorize the use of such data in our aggregate patient registry, which is used to document the prevalence of this condition and may be used for research purposes to identify possible diagnostic or treatment options. We may contact you to discuss your registration, and you always have the right to either decline to discuss it further or to withdraw this authorization, in which case we will remove your individually identifiable information from the registry. Your registration will be stored in a secure electronic database.

To make sure that the data in the registry is correct and up to date, it is essential that we update it regularly. To do this, we may send you follow-up forms periodically asking you to tell us about any changes in your medical condition or other details that might occur, for example change of contact information or loss of ambulation.

**Please confirm that you have read the above privacy statement and understand that your information may be used in aggregate for research purposes, but that no personally identifiable information will be disclosed without your consent:**

Required \*

I agree \*

I am filling out this form on behalf of: \*

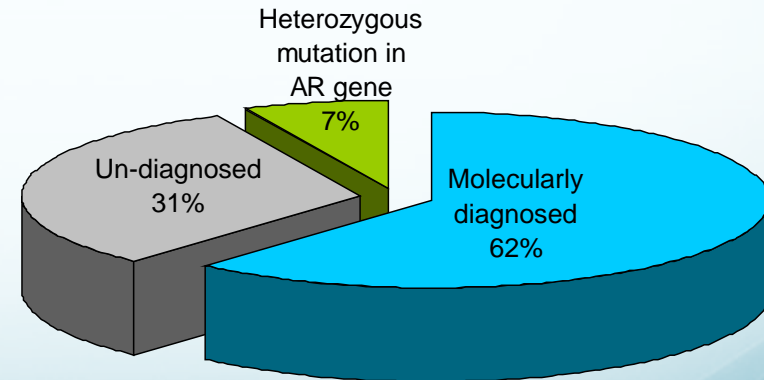
Myself  A family member

# The Italian Registry

**Clinical and laboratory network for LGMD diagnosis, in view of a national registry Telethon UILDM GUP10006**



599 LGMD patients



# Data collection

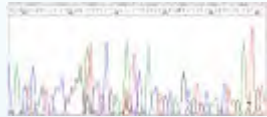
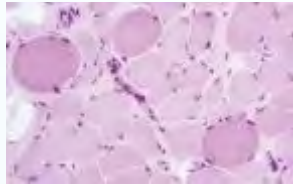


## ***ANAMNESTIC DATA***

Familiarity  
Onset  
CK values  
Muscular involvement  
(distribution)  
Tendon retraction  
Scoliosis

## ***MUSCLE BIOPSY***

*Morphology*  
*IHC analysis*  
*WB analysis*



## ***MOLECULAR ANALYSIS***

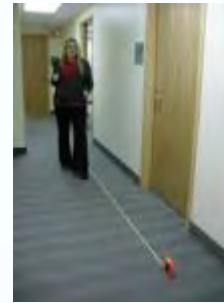
## ***CARDIAC FUNCTION***

ECG  
Holter ECG  
Echocardiogram



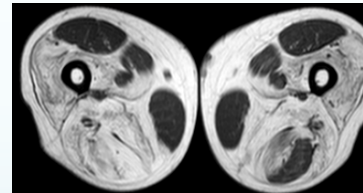
## ***RESPIRATORY FUNCTION***

Spirometry  
Nocturnal saturimetry  
NIV



## ***FUNCTIONAL EVALUATIONS***

MRC  
Walton  
MFM  
6MWT



## ***MAGNETIC RESONANCE***

Muscular MRI  
Brain MRI

**DATABASE containing retrospective and prospective data**



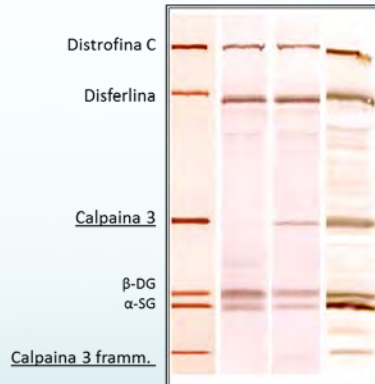
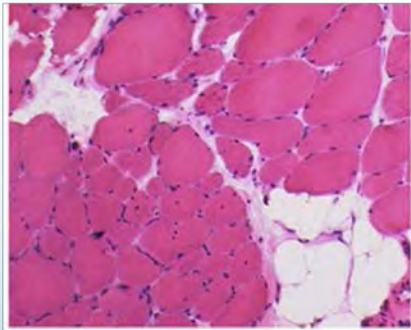
# Biomarkers

- Objective measures (blood not subject to placebo effect)
- Possibly an acute read out (changes in blood seen before clinical changes)
- Should support and extend clinical outcomes
- Should help build ‘compelling case’ for regulators: accelerated approval
- Could allow clinical trials in populations where there are no strong clinical outcomes (young boys and older, non-ambulant subjects)

# LGMD2A: Trial Readiness

**Disease**

*Pre-clinical*



Pathogenesis

Pre-clinical models

Diagnosis

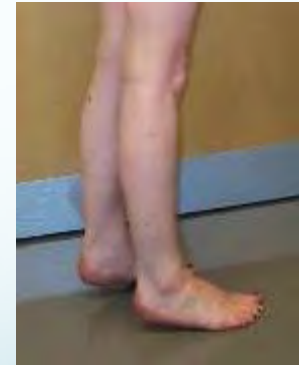
Natural history

Care standards

Outcome measure

Registry

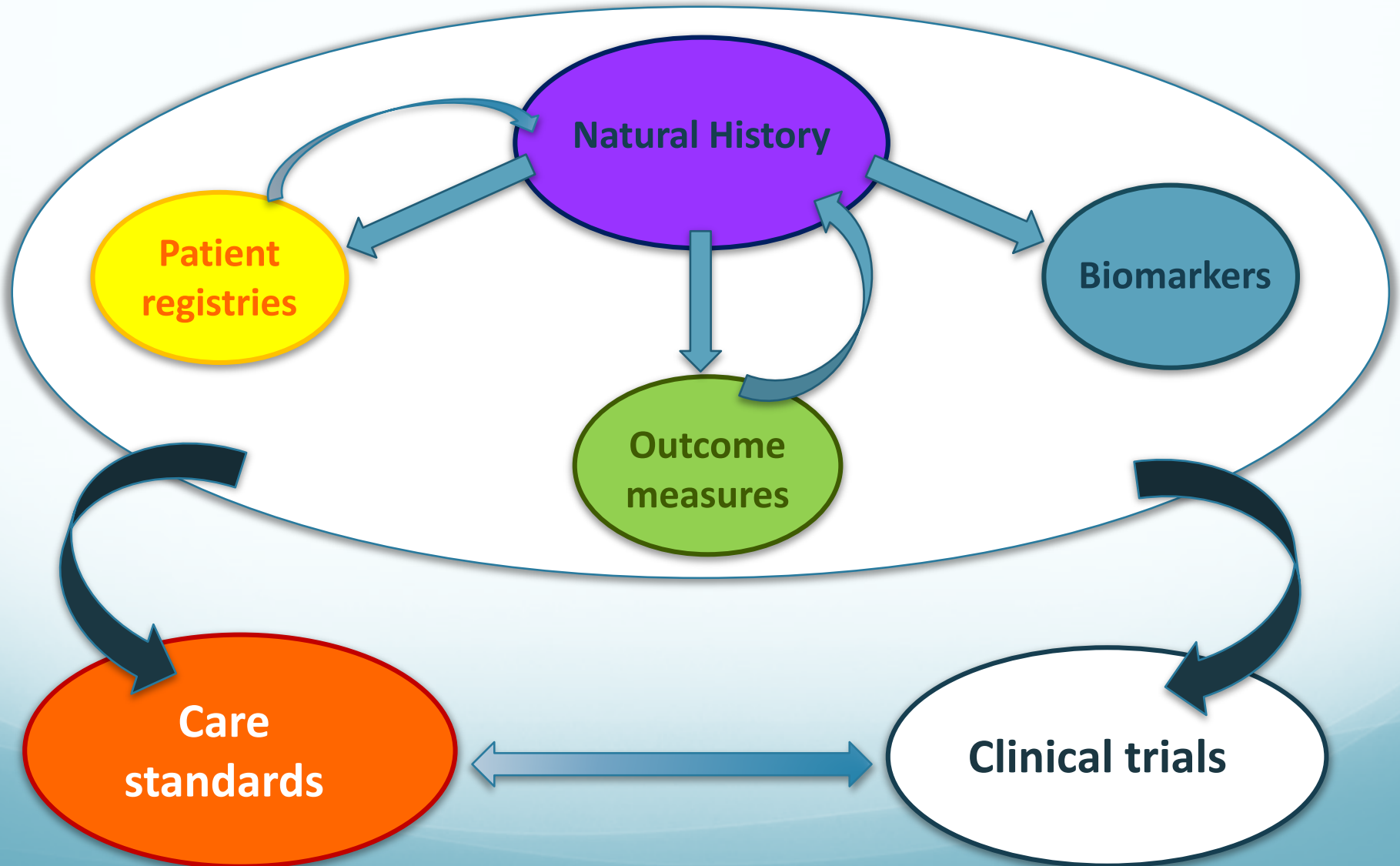
Biomarkers



**Therapies**

*Clinical*

# LGMD2A: Therapy delivery





Thank You

