

Foundations for an Antidepressant efficacy Trial in Huntington's Disease (FAT-HD): Research Time Award

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Initial project plan

- What is Huntington's disease?
- Aren't the psychiatric symptoms a psychosocial phenomenon?
- Are the psychiatric symptoms important?
- Do standard antidepressants work in HD?
- Why not just do a randomised controlled trial?
- What building blocks are needed to run an efficacy trial?
 - Safety (suicidality)
 - Mood outcome measures – established and novel
 - Health economic outcomes
- Why is this important: HD is rare?

Progress so far

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- Started <1 month ago!
- Applied for access to PDS 6 ENROLL-HD dataset
- Data analysis plan
- PPI meeting date
- Self study of health economics

Useful reflections

- Collaboration and external opinions are invaluable
- Rich environment to conduct clinical research