ECD Studies and Trials Panel 2016 Patient & Family Gathering

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Treating and Research of Histiocytic Diseases

Children 40 years Adults 27 years

Houston, Texas USA





Current Research Projects/Clinical Trials

- Whole exome sequencing of biopsy specimens
- Proteomic signature of plasma/Spinal Fluid
- Assay of Spinal Fluid for mutated cells
- Clinical Trial of second generation BRAF inhibitor
- Clinical Trial of combination inhibitor





Why be involved & Why are these studies important?

- Advance knowledge of ECD biology
- Determine efficacy of new treatments





What do patients do, who is eligible?

- Come to Houston for a consult or enroll remotely send blood or CSF specimen
- Eligibility: Basic research studies- all ECD patients
 Clinical: active ECD and no therapy for a month





What is Expected of Patients

- Travel to Houston: Once for Research studies
 Clinical trials: to be determined
- Patients are responsible for travel, office visit. Research tests are not charged. Drugs may be provided by company
- Patients outside the USA may participate in research studies
- Clinical trial: need to have a companion
- Length of stay dependent on clinical condition and ease of collaboration with local provider





Planned Clinical Trials

- New BRAF inhibitor
- Combination inhibitor

Discussions with Pharmaceutical companies ongoing.



