



# CLINICAL TRIALS OF THE FUTURE ~ 2030

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# BACK FUTURE II PART II

FUTURE, YOU  
SAY?





STRATEGIC  
FORESIGHT



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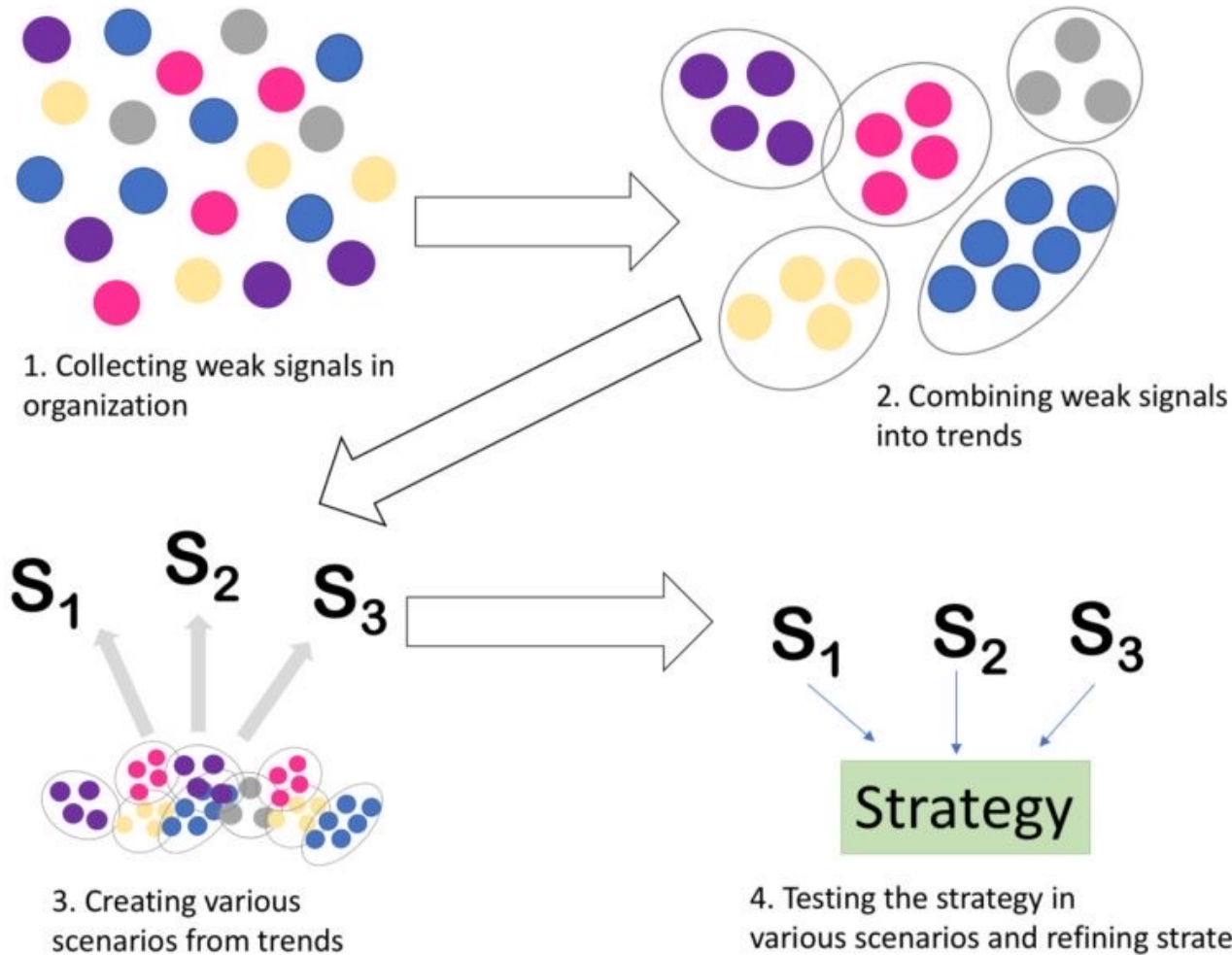


**British Heart  
Foundation**

# Weak signals, trends and scenarios

## Weak signals

innovations  
Start-ups / funding  
Patient insights  
Data  
Legislative framework  
New words



## Trend

A narrative to make sense of the signals  
One trend = many signals  
One signal = one or several trends



# Quick words on 'trends'

- 1 Reflecting a change of attitudes, behaviors or beliefs from people (e.g patients/doctors)
- 2 With an upward trajectory – more and more early signals, stronger & stronger
- 3 With clear and actionable implications in terms of business opportunities
- 4 Developing & maturing in 5-10 years timeframe
- 5 Different speed of change in different countries and demographics – from fringe to mainstream
- 6 Consistent with broader changes and with other trends

# How to use trends...

**Not all trends are relevant for everyone!**

**Thought provocation for...**

- 👉 your product development
- 👉 your user adoption
- 👉 your PR or communication strategy
- 👉 your value proposition or business model



# Agenda: 5 emerging themes



**PEOPLE, NOT  
PATIENTS**



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# EMPATHY PATIENT-HCP INTERACTIONS

**42%**  
of patients  
sometimes  
feel like the  
doctor lacks  
empathy

**50%**  
of patients with  
CT experience say  
'more sensitivity,  
empathy or  
appreciation by  
staff' would make  
them more likely  
to take part  
again

**EMPATHY:  
FROM 'NICE-  
TO-HAVE'  
TO 'MUST-HAVE'**

Co-creation &  
co-design at  
the forefront

**TED**



# MEET PATIENTS WHERE THEY ARE: AT HOME

**35% of patients**  
struggle to  
attend in-person  
appointments  
with their doctor

Not  
urban/rural  
divide  
but lifecycle  
and  
generational

**64%** of patients said  
that digital tech  
(televisits or  
wearables), would  
make their trial  
participation much  
easier, **to share  
medical information  
from the comfort of  
their own home**

# UNDERSTANDING WHAT MATTERS IN PEOPLE'S LIVES: A HOLISTIC VIEW

**31%**  
of patients with a  
chronic condition  
say that it has  
had a large  
impact on their  
sex life

> [Int J Dermatol](#). 2022 May;61(5):607-610. doi: 10.1111/ijd.15938. Epub 2021 Oct 11.

## Sexual dysfunction in a cohort of patients with moderate-to-severe atopic dermatitis. Influence of dupilumab treatment

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PMID: 34633064 DOI: [10.1111/ijd.15938](#)

[Medicina \(Kaunas\)](#). 2022 Dec; 58(12): 1708.

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Published online 2022 Nov 23. doi: [10.3390/medicina58121708](#)

PMID: [36556910](#)

## Effect of Dupilumab on Sexual Desire in Adult Patients with Moderate to Severe Atopic Dermatitis

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# VOTING & BRAINSTORM

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35 responses

Different impact on each patient	Impact of eating well and not eating well	How much frustration the person has.	Impact on family life	Mental Health
Do you get paid enough to participate?	Number of missed or incomplete visits	How many times they had to re read and sign on to the clinical trial T&Cs	Number of selfies taken	alternatives that consider, for example, other types of therapy
Financial impact	Sex Health. Joint family activities. But this really depends on a clinical trial and investigated drug.	Feeling of being in a progressive healing	Ease and speed of onboarding	Measuring their interactions on social media could be an indicator of mental well being
Indirect stress factors like an argument with family members.	Basic nps of the trial	Whether people is afraid to death, or not anymore	Did they understand the study materials	
Nutritional aspects	3rd party reations (family, friends)	Caregiver feedback	Effect on work	
Frequency and nature of physical activity measured by a watch or wearable	How happy they are with the remuneration or benefits that is provided as a consequence of the trail.		Impact on work / career	
Patient satisfaction	Patient's expectations and unmet needs	Level of happiness...		
Emotional support	Mental health, work, vitality	Happiness		
Impact on sleep	Amount of time required per week to participate	Experience at the site		

# THOUGHT STARTERS

...what can you do to make your solution more 'human-friendly'?

...what have you done to co-create and co-design your solution with patients?

...how might we support people participating in clinical trials to 'regain control'?

...how might we contribute to the collection of exploratory endpoints that put quality of life at the forefront?



# THOUGHTS & IDEAS

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# RISING THE BAR ON DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

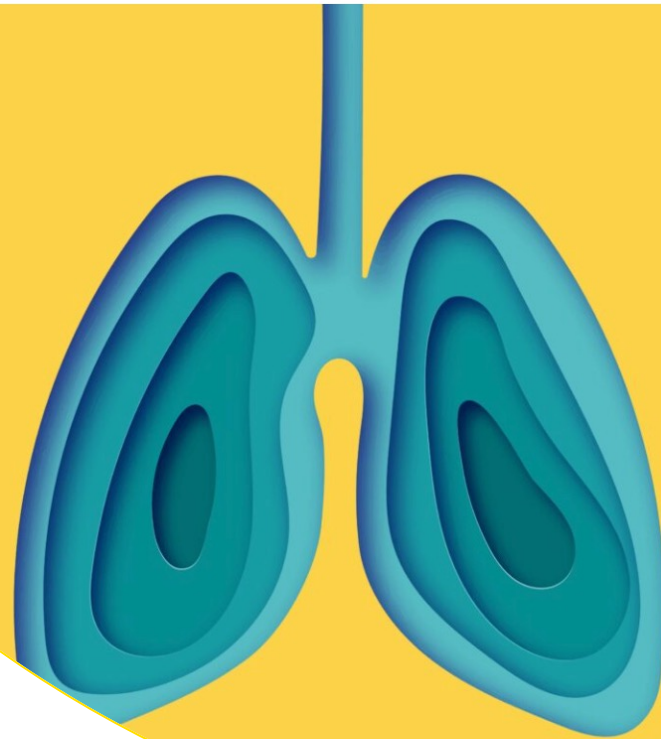
## Take a deep breath: Asthma drug study failed to include Black and Puerto Rican children who could benefit most



By [Ed Silverman](#)  Dec. 8, 2021

[Reprints](#)

90% of kids enrolled were white on Sanofi/Regeneron trial





# POWER, PATIENT- FRIENDLY RECRUITMENT WITH DIVERSITY

44%  
of their 300,000  
platform users  
are non-white  
(2022)

## Where patients find promising new treatments

Browse clinical trials by condition, location, and drug type.

Condition

Type Condition

Location

Nearest City

Distance

Any

Age

Type Age

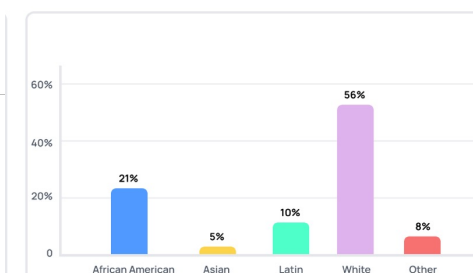


31k+ Clinical Trials

100k Researchers

10k+ Medical Conditions

50k+ Cities



### Diverse patient profiles

Over 40% of our patients are non-white.

Power is democratizing access to clinical trials and connecting with patients who have historically been left out of research.

**ACCESSIBLE  
WEBSITE FOR  
PEOPLE WITH  
VISUAL-  
IMPAIRMENT OR  
COGNITIVE  
DISORDERS**



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# BRAINSTORMING

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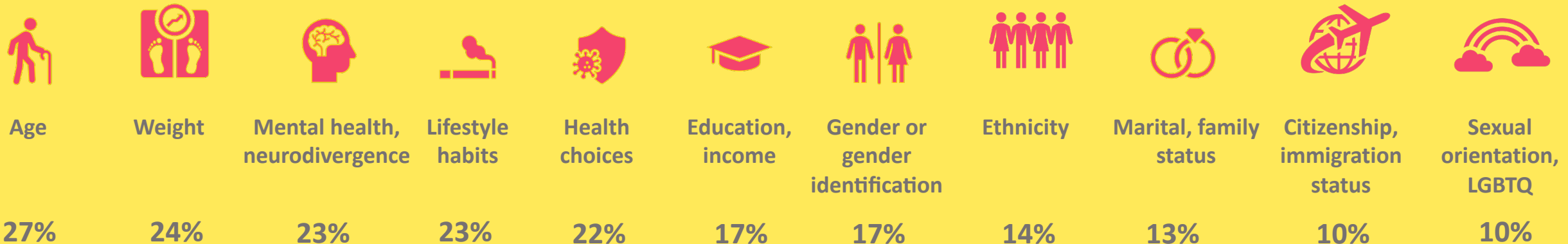
Health literacy	Identify of caregiver or researchers, their bias	Location of providers	History of complaints	Rare disease
Disease understanding	Not a big market	Geographic area	Selection of sites for trials (geography/population/wealth)	Time
Lack of representation in hospitals	Low income RegionRural areas	Gender sensitive scales	Fear	
Site selection	Easier data analysis	Race		
Site facility	Recycling components of old protocols or recruitment processes	Country selection		
Clinical trials are run at hospitals and agreement is signed with a hospital. There are things covered by trials and some are not. It is a risk to CRO to sign with small hospital with diversity.	Access to sites / pharmacy	political ideology		
All the above	Insurance premiums	Age		
Location where trial is running	Insurance coverage	Community stigma		
Country	Lack of awareness	Impact of pre-existing published literature and medical education materials		



# THE PATIENT VIEW

27% of patients have already felt dismissed or discriminated by a healthcare professional

## ASSUMED REASONS FOR DISCRIMINATION OR DISMISSAL



# THOUGHT STARTERS

...how can you gain awareness of the limitations of your solution in terms of D&I?

...how might you design solution(s) as inclusive as possible, considering *all kinds* of users (e.g. neurodiversity, vision-impairment, etc...)

...how might you support the agenda for more diverse and inclusive tools in all the different aspects of a clinical trial?

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# QUIZ

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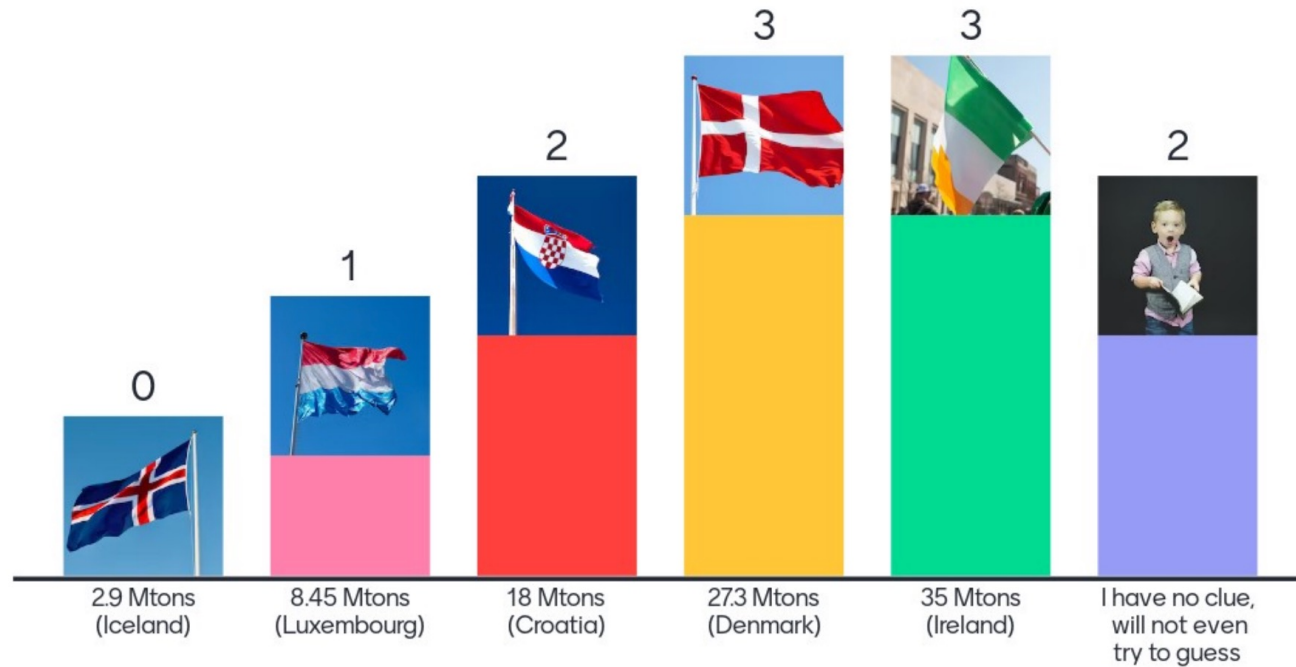


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# QUIZ – AUDIENCE VOTES

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# THE CARBON FOOTPRINT OF CLINICAL TRIALS: SAME AS DENMARK

27.5 Millions  
tons of CO<sup>2</sup>e





# CARBON TARGETS IN CLINICAL TRIALS

## AstraZeneca hopes to make clinical trial operations carbon- negative by 2030

AstraZeneca is working with its collaborators to ensure the changes are not just internal but across the entire chain footprint.



**>90%**

of the carbon  
footprint from a  
big pharma  
comes from its  
suppliers

AZ Sustainability Initiatives  
*Supplier Guidebook – August 2023*

“

*There is a need to develop  
standardised, validated methods  
and tools for healthcare  
environments to assist stakeholders  
to make informed decisions about  
reduction of carbon emissions from  
digital health interventions.*

”

“Assessing the carbon  
footprint in digital health  
interventions: a scoping  
review”

J Am Med Inform Assoc,  
Dec 2022

# THOUGHT STARTERS

... how might we assess and measure the sustainability impact of your solution?

... how might you prepare for ESG/sustainability assessment requests from big pharma partners?

... how might you turn sustainability into one of your 'selling points'?



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# EMBLEEMA EDEN PROJECT

## EDEN

(Epilepsy Digital Experience Navigator)

A first of its kind digital ecosystem fully built on Embleema technology connecting patients, caregivers, providers & researchers to advance care & research in epilepsy



“For me to get insights and predictive analysis about my health, risk factors etc”

#2 reason to share PGHD

For The First Time, There Is A Patient-First Network That Is Changing The Way People View, Control, Use And Benefit From Their Data.



patients & caregivers are in **full control of the data** they contribute towards clinical research



patients & caregivers receive **customized insights, data and other digital services** to help better manage their epilepsy



EDEN's data is available to every stakeholder, provided the patient has consented **effectively breaking data silos**



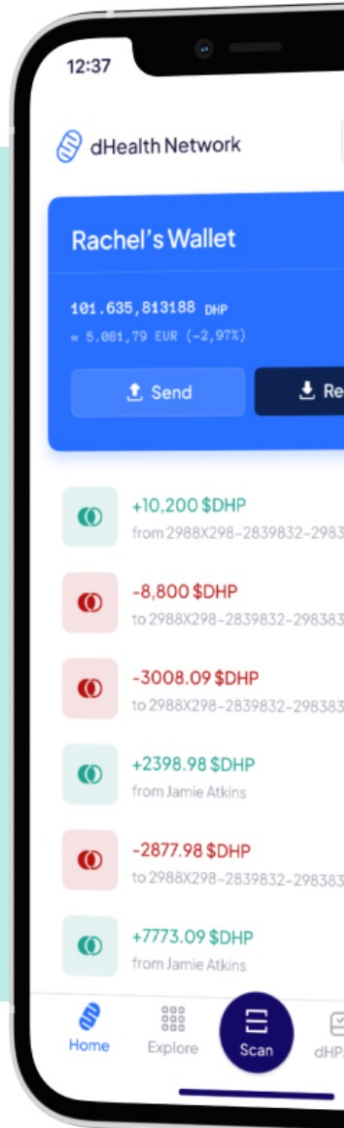
we are opening a new era of clinical research **driven by patients & democratizing the collection of data** & its benefits

# DHEALTH FOUNDATION: TOKENISATION TO INCENTIVIZE DATA-SHARING

## The dHealth Wallet

The dHealth wallet is a non custodial client (wallet) that allows users to interact with dApps in the dHealth Ecosystem and view and maintain your DHP balance. The dHealth Wallet additionally supports signing of all dHealth transactions.

Download the Wallet ↓





# DATA PHILANTHROPY (WEF, Davos, 2011)

**61%**  
of patients agree  
that if their  
health data were  
anonymized, they  
would be ready to  
share them to be  
integrated in a larger  
dataset for  
scientific  
research

**Why You Should Donate Your  
Medical Data When You Die**

**EU unveils new data rules,  
including 'data-altruism' clause**

We like to call it  
pill-anthropy.

# THOUGHT STARTERS

... how might we foster trust in data-sharing from our partners *and* users?

... how can you give back to your users (e.g. with insights or knowledge being generated by their data contribution) to make it a worthwhile data trade for them?

... how might we create, integrate or tap into larger data ecosystems for better pattern recognition?

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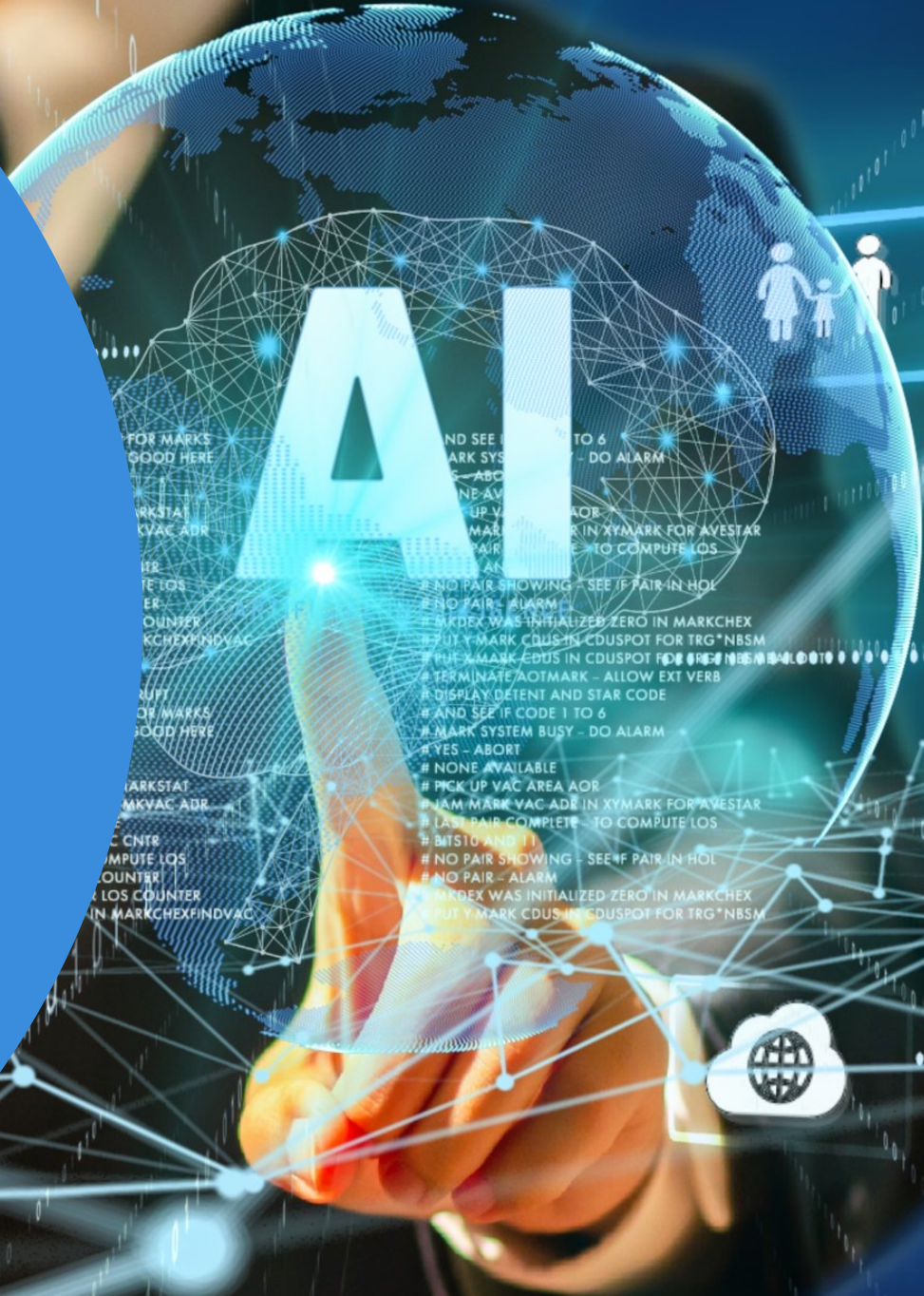
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# PARTICIPATORY FORESIGHT





# POST-IT TIME!

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## FEASIBILITY

- AI analyses EMR content and gives site-specific feasibility score
- AI match making protocol x site
- AI will tell you the new trend diseases
- Simulate multiple scenario
- Execute a trial only after a simulated one
- AI generated feasibility insights

## PRE-CLINICAL & DESIGN

- AI molecule combinatory assessments
- Dose finding
- Patient twin
- Test toxicology with as many models/simulations as possible
- Toxicity foresight
- AI assisted site selection
- Use AI for better & faster site selection
- Live real world control arms
- AI augmented designing
- AI protocol development
- medical writing

## RECRUITMENT & CONDUCT

- Adaptive protocol
- Early stoppage and adaptation
- Patient finding / cohorts builders from raw data (imaging etc)
- Patient onboarding
- AI real time feedback
- Patient/Participant risk triaging
- Creating study materials
- Ai cohort management e.g consent / admin automation
- AI guidance for consent forms and consenting
- AI support for mental health during trials
- Conduct the trial in parallel with an *in silico* one
- There will be no Phase 2 & 3 trials. RWD reported will allow developing efficacy & safety monitoring
- Monitor patients wellbeing /mental health with a chip in their brain to predict drop-out
- Statistical analysis and patient population

## ANALYSIS

- Automated data processing pipelines
- Augment evidence with AI and modeling and simulation
- Predicted AEs would replace actual AEs
- Early stoppage (mostly for futility)
- AI for faster analysis of imaging (instead of manual work)
- AI comparison to historical studies
- AI suggestion for expansion from groups
- AI suggestion for correcting touchpoints

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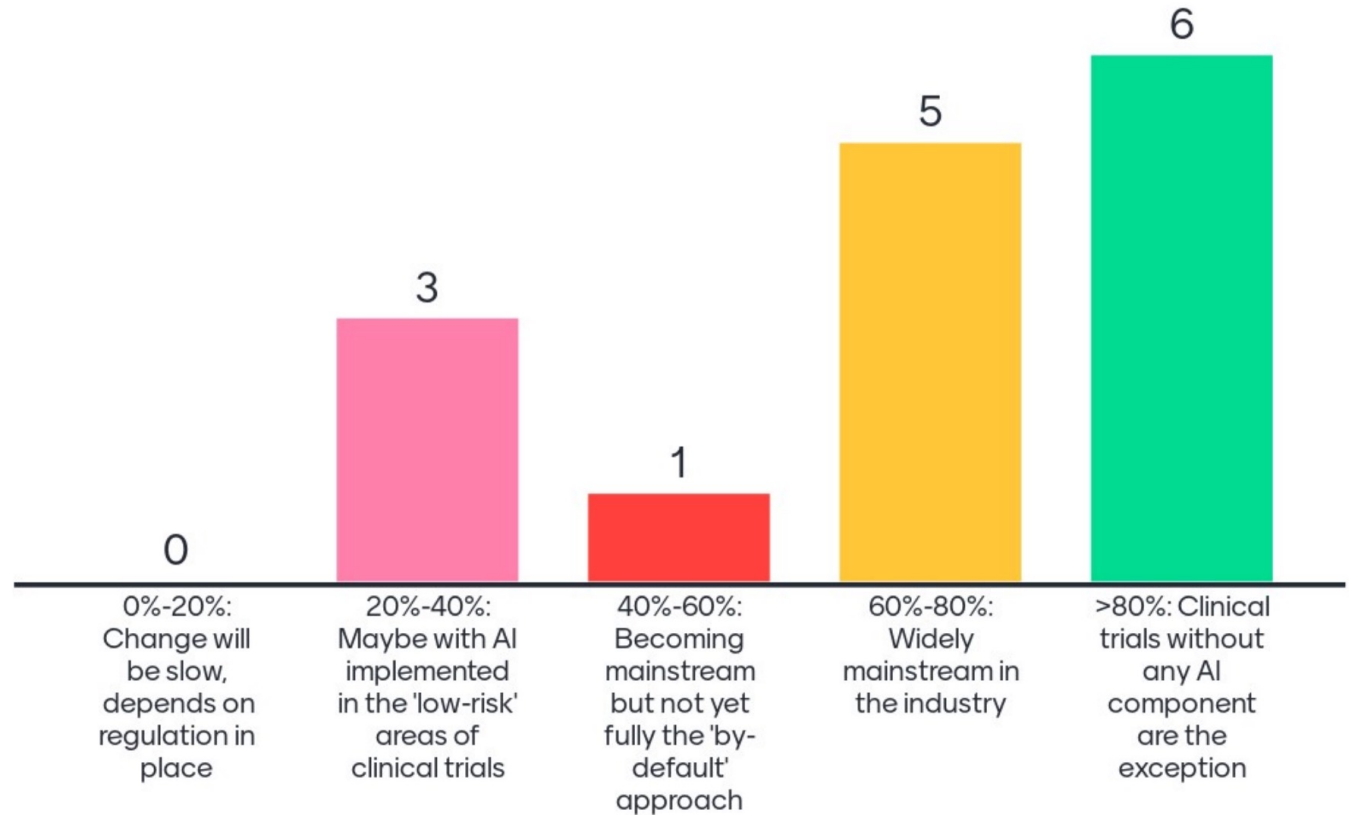




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... how can you manage the rising expectation on 'explainable AI'?

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**WRAP UP**





**TREND  
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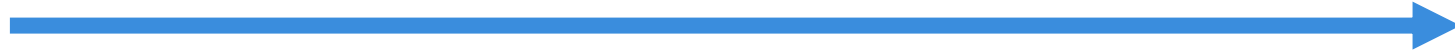
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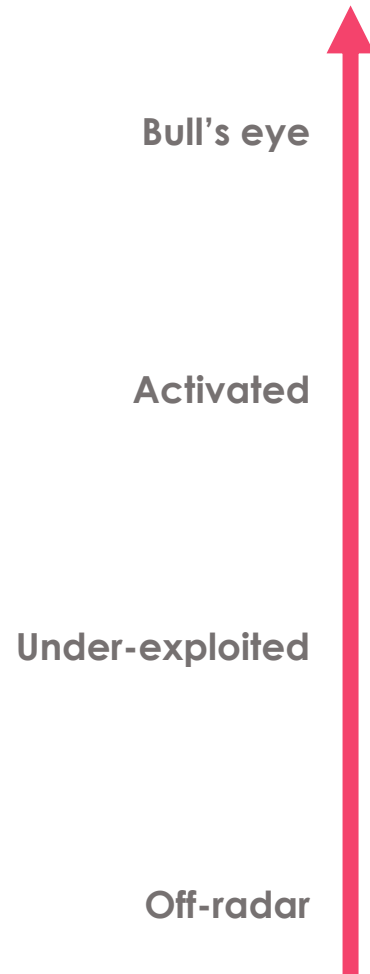


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# TREND MAPPING: ACTIVATION



How well am  
I leveraging  
or activating  
this trend?

# TREND MAPPING & GAP ANALYSIS

Start-up	People, Not Patients	All inclusive	Sustainability	Diginome	AI in Clinical trials
Start up 1	x	x	x	x	✓ ✓
Start up 2	✓	x	✓	x	✓ ✓
Start up 3	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓	x	✓	✓ ✓ ✓
Start up 4	✓	✓	x	✓	✓ ✓
Start up 5	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓	x	✓	x
Start up 6	x	✓ ✓	✓	✓	✓ ✓
Start up 7	✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓	x	✓	✓
Start up 8	x	✓ ✓	✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
Start up 9	✓	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓	✓	✓ ✓ ✓
Start up 10	✓ ✓ ✓	✓ ✓	x	x	x
Start up 11	x	x	✓ ✓	x	✓ ✓ ✓
Start up 12	✓ ✓	✓	x	x	✓ ✓ ✓
Start up 13	x	✓	x	x	✓ ✓ ✓

## SELF-ASSESSMENT

- Bull's eye ✓ ✓ ✓
- Activated ✓ ✓
- Under-exploited ✓
- Off-radar x