

**Cure HD Initiative (CHDI)  
Contracts Committed in 2003**

<b>PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR</b>	<b>INSTITUTION</b>	<b>TITLES</b>
Arkin, Isaiah	Hebrew University, Israel	"Membrane Affinity of PolyQ"
Aronin, Neil	University of Massachusetts Medical School	"Selective Destruction of mRNA in Neurons: A Novel Strategy to Treat HD and Other Autosomal Disorders"
Augood, Sarah	Massachusetts General Hospital	1. "Molecular Analysis of Neuronal Vulnerability in HD Caudate Nucleus Using Microarray Gene Profiling of Discrete Cell Populations" 2. "Mutation Length Variability in Neurochemically Distinct Cell Populations in the Striatum of HD"
Bachoud-Levi, Ann	University of Creteil, France	"Peripheral A2A Receptor as a Biomarker for Huntington's Disease"
Barco, Angel (PDF) Mentor: Eric Kandel	Columbia University	"Role of CREB-Dependent Gene Expression in HD Pathology"
Bates, Gillian	Kings College of London	"Experimental Therapeutics in HD Mouse Models"
Beal, Flint	Weill Medical College of Cornell	"Experimental Therapeutics in Transgenic Mouse Models of HD"
Boado, Ruben	University of California, Los Angeles	" <i>In Vivo</i> Silencing of the Huntingtin Gene with Targeted RNA Interference"
Borea, Piero	University of Ferrera, Italy	"Peripheral A2A Receptor as a Biomarker for Huntington's Disease"
Bradley, John (PDF) Mentor: Steve Finkbeiner	University of California, San Francisco	"Using mABs to Explore PolyQ Expansion Structure"
Breaker, Ronald	Yale University	"Ribozymes as Molecular Switches: Engineering RNA Switches Selectively to Cleave Targets with Long Triplet Repeats"
Burgess, Richard	University of Wisconsin, Madison	"Isolation of Pure, Native htt by Gentle Immunoaffinity Chromatography"
Cattaneo, Elena	University of Milano	1. "Gene Transcription Differences in Huntingtin Inducible Cells" 2. "Peripheral A2A Receptor as a Biomarker for HD"
Chesselet, Marie-Françoise	University of California, Los Angeles	"Identification of Behavioral Measures to Test Treatment Efficacy in Knock-In Models of HD"
Christie, Michael (PDF) Mentor: Steven Hersch	Massachusetts General Hospital	"Cognitive Function in Transgenic HD Mice: Development of a Testing Battery"
Colby, David (PDF) Mentor: Dane Wittrup	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	"Engineered Antibodies for HD Therapy"
D'Souza-Schorey, Crislyn	University of Notre Dame	"Arfaptin as an HD Therapeutic Target"
Davidson, Beverly	University of Iowa	"Silencing Huntingtin with siRNA"
Denovan-Wright, Eileen	Dalhousie University	"rAAV Delivery of BDNF and CNTF to an HD Model"
Detloff, Peter	University of Alabama at Birmingham	"Distribution and Analysis of Mouse Models of HD"
DiDonato, Stefano	Besta Neurological Institute, Italy	"Peripheral A2A Receptor as a Biomarker for HD"
Dragatsis, Ioannis	University of Tennessee	"Effects of Wild-Type Huntingtin Overexpression on Mouse Models of HD"
Ellerby, Lisa	Buck Institute	"Generation of Calpain-Resistant Huntingtin Transgenic Mice"

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<b>Feng, Jun (PDF)</b> Mentor: Stan Young	National Institute for Statistical Sciences	"Computational Chemistry Support for HTS Efforts"
<b>Fischer, Torsten (PDF)</b> Mentor: Ralf Langen	University of Southern California	"Structural Studies of Huntingtin"
<b>Goellner, Geoffrey (PDF)</b> Mentor: Martin Rechsteiner	University of Utah	"Proteasomal Activators (REG) Might Be Useful Therapeutic Targets in Polyglutamine Disease"
<b>Goldberg, Alfred</b>	Harvard Medical School	"Proteasome as Target"
<b>Goldman, Steven</b>	Weill Medical College of Cornell University	1. "Can Adenoviral BDNF-Mediated Induction of Striatal Neurogenesis Delay Symptom Progression in Huntington's Disease?" 2. "Exploring NT4 and IGF1"
<b>Goldowitz, Daniel</b>	University of Tennessee	1. "Cellular Targets of Preferential Destruction of Striatum" 2. "Tet Regulation With Wildtype Huntingtin on Hdh KO Background"
<b>Goldstein, Larry</b>	University of California, San Diego	"Htt and Httex Roles in Axonal Transport"
<b>Goodman, Nathan</b>	Institute for Systems Biology	"Establishing a Web-Based HD Database"
<b>Harper, Scott (PDF)</b> Mentor: Beverly Davidson	University of Iowa	"Silencing Huntingtin with siRNA"
<b>Hayden, Michael</b>	University of British Columbia	"Assessment of <i>In Vivo</i> Caspase Inhibition on the Pathogenesis of HD in YAC Transgenic Mice"
<b>Hen, René</b>	Columbia University	"Inducible Mouse Models of Disease"
<b>Her, Liu Shin (PDF)</b> Mentor: Larry Goldstein	University of California, San Diego	"Htt and Httex Roles in Axonal Transport"
<b>Hersch, Steven</b>	Massachusetts General Hospital	"Multi-Pharmaceutical Drug Trials in Transgenic Models of HD"
<b>Ingram, Vernon</b>	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	"Blocking the Aggregation of the Beta-Sheet-Containing Huntingtin Protein"
<b>Jones, Lesley</b>	University of Wales	"Behavioural Analysis of HD Transgenic Mice"
<b>Kennard, Christopher</b>	Imperial College, London	"Eye Movement Study in HD Patients"
<b>Kmiec, Eric</b>	University of Delaware	"Chimeric Oligonucleotides for HD Therapeutics"
<b>Kochanek, Stefan</b>	University of Ulm, Germany	"Gene Therapy Using siRNA for HD"
<b>Ko-Ferrigno, Paul</b>	Medical Research Council, England	"Probing Molecular Interaction of htt"
<b>Krainc, Dimitri</b>	Massachusetts General Hospital	"Development of Biomarkers for HD"
<b>Kristal, Bruce</b>	Weill Medical College of Cornell University (Burke Medical Research Institute)	"Novel Compounds for HD Therapeutics"
<b>Larson, John</b>	University of Illinois at Chicago	"Olfactory Deficits in HD Mouse Models"
<b>Leavitt, Blair</b>	University of British Columbia	"Experimental Therapeutics in Animal Models of Human Disease"
<b>Levine, Michael</b>	University of California, Los Angeles	"Study of HD Transgenic and Knock-in Mice"
<b>Li, Chenjian</b>	Rockefeller and Cornell Universities	"Establishing HD Transgenic Models with BAC Modification Methods"

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<b>Lowden, Philip</b>	University of Exeter, United Kingdom	"Bioavailability and Compound Synthesis for HD Therapeutics"
<b>Mandel, Ron</b>	University of Florida	1. "Reduction of Mutant Huntingtin by Recombinant Adeno-Associated Virus-Mediated Ribozyme Delivery" 2. "rAAC Delivery of BDNF and CNTF to an HD Mouse Model"
<b>McCabe, Edward and Linda</b>	University of California, Los Angeles	"Lymphoblastoid Cell Lines from Venezuelan HD Patients"
<b>McMurray, Cynthia</b>	Mayo Clinic, Rochester	"Large Scale Purification of Full-Length Huntingtin from Yeast"
<b>Messer, Anne</b>	Health Research Institute, New York	"Role of CAG Repeat Instability in HD Pathogenesis"
<b>Monckton, Darren</b>	University of Glasgow	"Buccal Cell Analysis in HD Patients"
<b>Morton, Jenny</b>	University of Cambridge Center for Brain Research, Cambridge	1. "Cognition and Emotional Testing in HD Mice" 2. "Therapeutic Drug Testing in HD Mice" 3. "The Cambridge Mouse Touchscreen Project"
<b>Muchowski, Paul</b>	University of Washington	"A Lens Specific HD Transgenic Mouse"
<b>Neri, Christian</b>	INSERM, France	"Genetic and Chemical Screens in <i>C. elegans</i> HD Model"
<b>Olson, James</b>	Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center	"Therapeutic Trials for HD Mice"
<b>Parker, Alex (PDF)</b> Mentor: Christian Neri	CEPH, France	"Suppressors of Expanded PolyQ Toxicity in <i>C. elegans</i> "
<b>Patterson, Paul</b>	California Institute of Technology	"Therapeutic Monoclonal Antibodies for HD"
<b>Peel, Alyson</b>	Buck Institute	"Investigating the Involvement of Proapoptotic Kinase (PKR) as a Cell Death Mechanism in HD"
<b>Pelletier, Jerry</b>	McGill University	"Targeting the Translation of Huntingtin mRNA with Small Molecules"
<b>Peters-Libeu, Clare (PDF)</b> Mentor: Steven Finkbeiner	University of California, San Francisco	"Using Monoclonal Antibodies to Explore PolyQ Expansion Structure"
<b>Poirier, Michelle</b>	Johns Hopkins University	"Structural Studies of Normal and Expanded Huntingtin Using Spin Labeling EPR Spectroscopy"
<b>Rebec, George</b>	Indiana University	"Ascorbate Studies in HD Mice"
<b>Reinhart, Peter</b>	Duke University	"Development of Brain Slice Screening Platform for HD Neurodegeneration"
<b>Reue, Karen</b>	University of California, Los Angeles	"Characterization of Adipose Tissue Abnormalities in HD Mice"
<b>Ross, Christopher</b>	Johns Hopkins University	1. "Proteolytic Cleavage of Htt in an Inducible Transgenic Mouse Model of HD" 2. "CBP and TBP Cell Studies"
<b>Saudou, Frederic</b>	Institut Curie, France	"Huntingtin Phosphorylation in HD Pathogenesis"
<b>Schweitzer, Erik</b>	University of California, Los Angeles	"Poisoned Proteasome and the Pathogenesis of HD"
<b>Scrabble, Heidi</b>	University of Virginia	"Construction of a Transgenic Mouse with a Conditional HD Mutation"
<b>Shelbourne, Peggy</b>	University of Glasgow	1. "Mutation Length Variability in Neurochemically Distinct Cell Populations in the Striatum of HD" 2. "Somatic Instability and Pathogenesis in Pure CAG and Mixed CAGCAA Repeat Knock-in Mice"

<b>PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR</b>	<b>INSTITUTION</b>	<b>TITLES</b>
Sherman, Michael	Boston University	"Mechanism and Regulation of PolyQ Aggregation in Cells"
Smith, Maurice	Johns Hopkins University	"Study of Arm Jerk Movement in Presymptomatic HD Patients"
Stockwell, Brent	Whitehead Institute	"Discovery, Evaluation and Optimization of Chemical Suppressors of Mutant Huntingtin-Mediated Toxicity"
Suhr, Steven (PDF) Mentor: David Goldman	University of Michigan	"Establishment of a Zebrafish Model of PolyQ Disease"
Thompson, Leslie	University of California, Irvine	"Transcriptional Studies and Chemical Screening in PC12 cells and <i>Drosophila</i> "
Trottier, Yvon	CMRS/INSERM Strasbourg, France	"Proteolysis of Mutant Htt"
Truant, Ray	McMaster University, Canada	"Identification of the Nuclear Import and Nuclear Export Signals in Huntingtin"
Verdine, Gregory	Harvard University	"Identifying Compounds Which Bind Huntingtin mRNA as a Therapeutic Route"
Vonsattel, Jean-Paul	Columbia University	"Developing Brain Tissue Resource Bank"
Watts, Julian	Institute for Systems Biology	"Application of Proteomics to the Identification of Potential Biomarkers for HD"
Wetzel, Ron	University of Tennessee	1. "Structure, Assembly and Cytotoxicity of Polyglutamine Aggregates" 2. "HD Therapeutics and Diagnostic in HD"
Yang, William	University of California, Los Angeles	"Generation and Analysis of the Brain Regional Specific HD Models and the Full-Length BAC Transgenic Mice"
Zhai, Weigui (PDF) Mentor: Robert Tjian	University of California, Berkeley	"Exploring the Molecular Mechanisms of Transcriptional Dyregulation by PolyQ Expanded htt"

<b>COMPANY</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>TITLES</b>
Ansata Therapeutics	La Jolla, California	"Molecular Transduction of Single Chain Antibody Therapeutic for HD"
Aton Pharma	Tarrytown, New York	"Development of Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors for the Treatment of Huntington's Disease"
Aurora Biosciences/ Vertex Pharmaceuticals	La Jolla, California	"High Throughput Assay Development and Screening"
Jackson Laboratories	Bar Harbour, Maine	"Speed Congenics HD Strain Development"
Minerva BioTechnologies Corporation	Waltham, Massachusetts	"A High Throughput Drug Screen to Identify Drugs to Treat HD"
Myriad Proteomics	Salt Lake City, Utah	"HD Drug Screening and Huntingtin Proteomic Analysis"
Neoclone	Madison, Wisconsin	"Generalization of Antibodies against htt"
Structural GenomiX	La Jolla, California	"Studies of the Crystal Structure of Normal and Pathological Huntingtin"
Trophos	Marseille, France	"High Throughput Screening in Primary Striatal Neurons"

**Grant and Postdoctoral Fellowships (SAB)  
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<b>Arancio, Ottavio</b>	Nathan Kline Institute	"Reversible Cognitive Impairment in Conditional HD Model"
<b>Bailey, Craig (PDF)</b> Mentor: Gail Johnson	University of Alabama at Birmingham	"Role of Tissue Transglutaminase in Mouse Model of HD"
<b>Bezprozvanny, Ilya</b>	University of Texas	"Inositol (1,4,5) Trisphosphate Receptor Function and Calcium Signaling in Huntington's Disease Mouse Models"
<b>Broadley, Sarah (PDF)</b> Mentor: F. Ulrich Hartl	Max-Planck-Institut, Germany	"Identification of Factors Influencing the Cellular Effects of Polyglutamine Expanded Huntingtin"
<b>Brundin, Patrik</b>	Lund University, Sweden	"Changes in Synaptic Function in the R6 Transgenic Mouse Model of Huntington's Disease"
<b>Cantrell, Angela</b>	University of Tennessee	"Voltage-Gated Calcium Channels and Huntington's Disease"
<b>Cavagnero, Silvia</b>	University of Wisconsin, Madison	"Kinetic Pathways of Polyglutamine-Induced Protein Misfolding: A Systematic Investigation"
<b>Cearley, Jamie (PDF)</b> Mentor: Peter Detloff	University of Alabama at Birmingham	"Wildtype Htt: Its Role in HD and Function in the Adult Mouse"
<b>Cooper, Jillian (PDF)</b> Mentor: Christopher Ross	Johns Hopkins University	"Huntington's Disease Cell Models"
<b>Deglon, Nicole</b>	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology	"Assessment of Lesion Specificity"
<b>Dyer, Roy (PDF)</b> Mentor: Cynthia McMurray	Mayo Clinic, Rochester	"HD: Proteolysis, Aggregation, and Disruptions in Vesicle Transport"
<b>Frost, Douglas</b>	University of Maryland	"Neurotrophin Signaling in Huntington's Disease"
<b>Gutekunst, Claire-Anne</b>	Emory University	"Topographic, Cellular and Subcellular Localization of Huntington Interactors in Control and HD Tissue"
<b>Hafiz, Farida (PDF)</b> Mentor: Aviva Tolkovsky	University of Cambridge	"Does Autophagy Contribute to Neuronal Pathology Induced by PolyQ Expansions in HD?"
<b>Harvard Brain Tissue Resource Center</b>	McLean Hospital	"Brain Tissue Resource Bank"
<b>Hou, Ya-Ming</b>	Thomas Jefferson University	"A tRNA Based Approach to Huntington's Disease"
<b>Johnson, Michael (PDF)</b> Mentor: R. Mark Wightman	University of North Carolina	"Characterizing Neurotransmitter Release on the Millisecond Timescale in HD Using Glassy Carbon Ultramicroelectrodes"
<b>Jones, Susan</b>	University of Cambridge	"Investigation of Early Changes in Corticostriatal Synaptic Transmission in Presynaptic Transgenic Mouse Models"
<b>Jung, Joonil (PDF)</b> Mentor: Nancy Bonini	University of Pennsylvania	"Molecular Genetic Study of Triplet Repeat Instability in <i>Drosophila</i> "
<b>Keller, Jeffrey</b>	University of Kentucky	"Mechanisms Responsible for, and Involvement of, Elevated Levels of p53 in HD-Associated Neurodegeneration"
<b>Li, He (PDF)</b> Mentor: Xiao-Jiang Li	Emory University	"Effect of Mutant Huntingtin on Synaptic Vesicles"

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<b>Marcora, Edoardo (PDF)</b> Mentor: Mary Kennedy	California Institute of Technology <i>Milton Wexler Fellowship</i>	"Huntingtin and PSD-95: Does Huntingtin Have Signaling Role in Dendrites and Synapses?"
<b>Marder, Karen</b>	Columbia University	"HD Center for Research for Clinical Care"
<b>Margolis, Russell</b>	Johns Hopkins School of Medicine <i>Lieberman Award</i>	"Molecular Etiology of a Novel Disorder Identical to Huntington's Disease"
<b>Mihm, Michael (PDF)</b> Mentor: Kari Hoyt	Ohio State University	"Cardiac Failure in HD"
<b>Palhan, Vikas (PDF)</b> Mentor: Robert Roeder	Rockefeller University	"Role of Ataxin-7 in Mediating Transcriptional Regulation and Development of RNAi Based SCA7 Therapy"
<b>Pankhurst, Quentin</b>	University College London	"Role of Magnetic Biomineralization in HD"
<b>Passani, Lucius (PDF)</b> Mentor: Marcy MacDonald	Massachusetts General Hospital	"Evaluation of HYPB/FBP11, HYPB and HYPB as Candidates for Involvement in HD Pathogenesis"
<b>Raymond, Lynn</b>	University of British Columbia <i>Lieberman Award</i>	"Molecular Mechanisms of Enhanced Excitotoxicity in YAC Transgenic Mouse Model of HD"
<b>Sang, Tzu-Kang (PDF)</b> Mentor: George Jackson	University of California, Los Angeles	"p47 and p97 as Potential Modifiers of HD"
<b>Sawa, Akira</b>	Johns Hopkins University	"Role of Glyceraldehydes-3-Phosphate Dehydrogenase (GAPDH) in HD Pathology"
<b>Shoulson, Ira</b>	Huntington Study Group University of Rochester	"Huntington Study Group Infrastructure Grant"
<b>Slepko, Natalie (PDF)</b> Mentor: Leslie Thompson	University of California, Irvine	"A Functional Interaction Between CREB-Binding Protein (CBP) and Mutant Huntingtin in <i>Drosophila</i> "
<b>Stern, Edward</b>	Massachusetts General Hospital	"Effects of High-Repeat Polyglutamine Accumulation on Membrane Potential"
<b>Sulzer, David</b>	Columbia University	"Effect of Expanded CAG Repeats in Exon 1 of the Huntington's Disease Gene in Postnatal Culture"
<b>Trottier, Yvon</b>	Institute of Genetic Biology (IGBMC)	"Molecular Basis of PolyQ-Induced Toxicity in Retina Models"
<b>Voisine, Cindy (PDF)</b> Mentor: Anne Hart	Massachusetts General Hospital <i>Milton Wexler Fellowship</i>	"Understanding the Mechanism of Polyglutamine Neurotoxicity in <i>C. elegans</i> "
<b>Wheeler, Vanessa</b>	Massachusetts General Hospital	"Analysis of Cellular Phenotype and Its Consequences in HDH Knock-In Mice"
<b>Yohrling, George (PDF)</b> Mentor: Jang-Ho Cha	Massachusetts General Hospital	"Alterations of the Histone Code in HD"
<b>Zhou, Hui (PDF)</b> Mentor: Xiao-Jiang Li	Emory University	"Characterization of N-Terminal Huntingtin Fragments"

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