Design & scope of ongoing & Future Collaborations:

The Framingham Heart Study



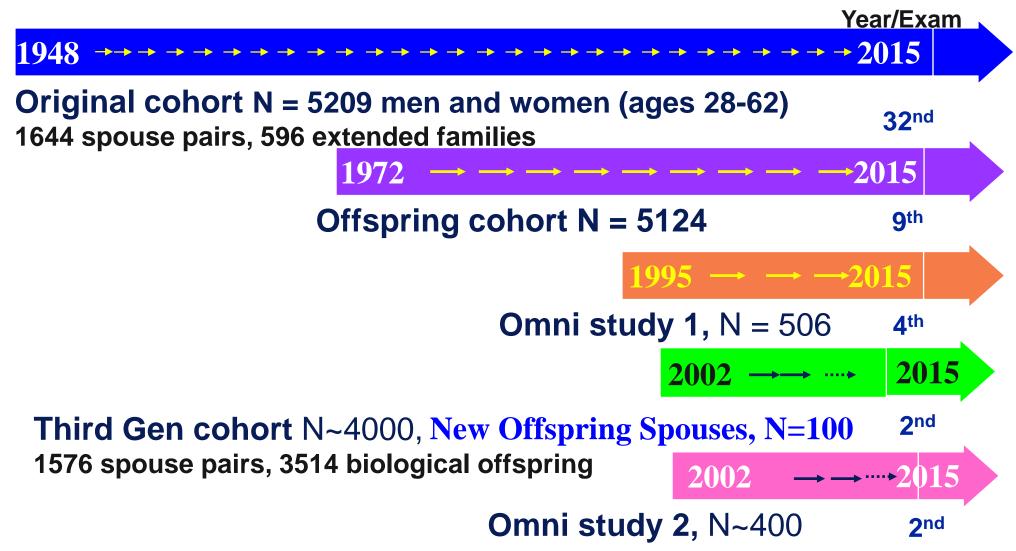
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Framingham Heart Study Longitudinal Community-Based Family Study

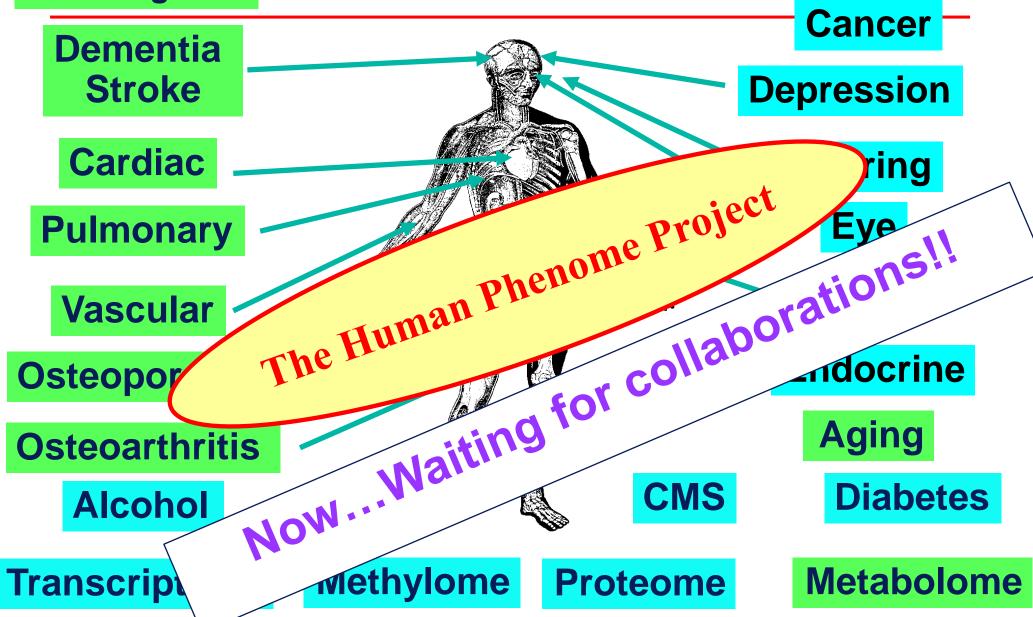


Framingham Heart Study

- Longitudinal
 - Lifetime measures & Lifestyle measures
 - Lifetime risk
 - Trajectories, cumulative exposure, temporal trends
- Deeply Phenotyped
 - FHS is ~ The Human Phenome Project
- Extensive Genetic/Genomic Resources
 - Unique tissue resources
- Family-based study

FHS: Dense Phenotypic Characterization

Funded grants



Genomic Resources

- Marshfield genome scan (~400 markers/every 10cM)
- GWAS: 100K, 550K imputed to 1000K, 5M Omni
- Exome Chip Illumina v1.0
- Whole Exome Sequences
- Whole Genome Sequences
- MediSeq
- Candidate genes/SNPs
- iPS cell lines soon

Access locally if working at BU Or through dbGaP http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gap

SABRe CVD Initiative: Resources

- High-throughput technology to measure
 - Project 1: Discovery proteomics, metabolomics & lipomics
 - Project 2: Targeted immunoassays
 - Project 3: Gene expression profiling
 - Project 4: microRNA profiling

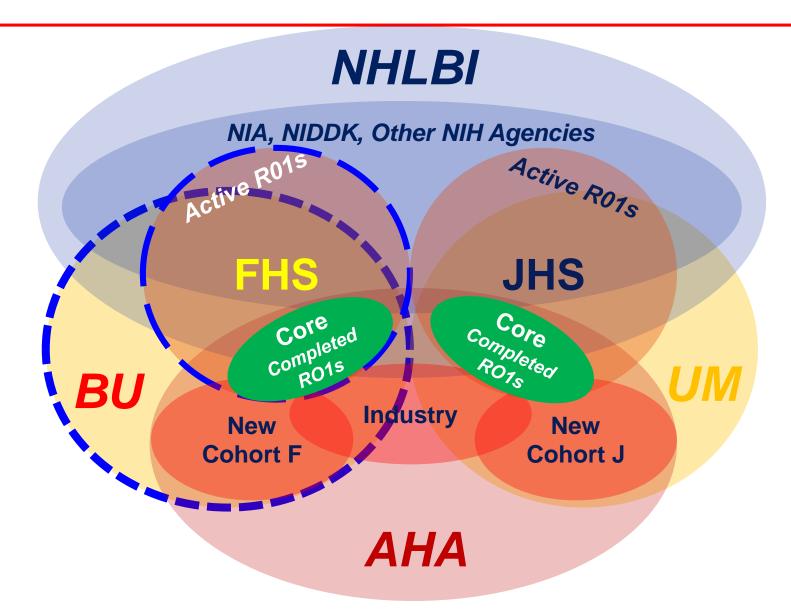
Gene Expression	Methylome	Metabolome	miRNA	Protein Biomarkers*
5,622	2,726	2,650	5,718	7,315
*170 immunoassay proteins.				

Framingham Heart Study Biorepository

FHS: roads less travelled!

- Environmental epidemiology
- Social epidemiology
- Infectious disease epidemiology
- Epidemiology Methods development

AHA CVGPS





More details at: bu.edu/cme

Positioning FHS for the future

- Beyond etiological research: translation, implementation, dissemination
- Greater data access
- Extend cohorts across lifecourse & for multiple outcomes
- Novel technologies
- Integrate big data

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- Knowledge integration into practice & policy
- Training the workforce for this millennium
- Optimize use of resources for best return on investments Transforming Epidemiology for 21st Century Medicine and Epidemiology Public Health

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FHS changes in a Brave New World

- Culture
 - Collaborative
 - Transparent
- Science
 - Futuristic
 - Transdisciplinary
- Processes
 - Streamlined
 - User-friendly
- Organizational
 - National resource
 - Self-sustaining in resource constrained environment



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Collaborations: Challenges & Opportunities

- Standardization of traits
 - 'analysis-ready; distributed datasets
- Joint leadership
 - Framework and collaborations (lessons from genetics)
- Funds to jump-start projects
- Protecting ESI across studies

Collaborations: Some Questions?

- Foster collaboration while maintaining uniqueness?
- Foster innovation while working towards harmonization?
- Synergies with precision medicine initiative?
- How to bridge gap between genetic & non-genetic collaborations?