

Developing patient centric, real-world digital clinical measures for Rett syndrome

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Rett Syndrome

Rare neurodevelopmental disorder

- Occurs in 1:10,000 female births
- Apparently normal early development followed by developmental delay & regression of acquired skills

Clinical diagnosis with genetic confirmation

- Clinical diagnostic criteria
- MECP2 mutations identified in over 95% of cases

Diverse life-long symptoms

Autonomic dysfunction, sleep disturbances, GI dysmotility, nutrition issues, scoliosis, contractures, seizures, movement disorders, limited communication, repetitive hand movements, others





Biosensors can Improve Drug Development for Rare Disease

Assessment of Efficacy on Rett symptoms

- Questionnaires are subjective and indirect
- Static snapshot in time or summary based on memory
- How therapeutics are currently developed

- Biosensors are objective and direct
- Continuous data collection, even at home
- Ability to expedite development

Autonomic Dysfunction is Prevalent in Rett Syndrome

Can we quantify Rett syndrome physiology?

Advantages

- Should self-correct with curative therapeutics
- Limits variables such as learning and skill implementation
- Precedent in animal models

Autonomic dysfunctions amenable to biosensor collection

- Breathing irregularities
- Heart rate variability
- Sleep disturbances

Expand to more complex symptoms?

- Mobility and gait
- Movement disorder characteristics
- Repetitive hand stereotypies
- Others

Patient Centric – Digital Measures that Matter

Meaningful Aspects of Health

Aspect of a disease that a person a) doesn't want to become worse, b) wants to improve, or c) wants to prevent

Concept of Interest

Simplified or narrowed element that can be practically measured

Outcome to be measured

Specific measurable characteristic

Endpoint

Precisely defined, statistically analyzed variable

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Patient Centric – Digital Measures that Matter

Breathing Irregularities

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Patient Centric - Meaningfulness

VOICE OF THE PATIENT REPORT Rett Syndrome Externally-Led Patient-Focused Drug Development Meeting

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https://www.fda.gov/industry/prescription-drug-user-fee-amendments/condition-specific-meeting-reports-and-other-information-related-patients-experience

Breathing Irregularities are Meaningful to Parents

Explore meaningful aspects of health as defined by caregivers of individuals with Rett syndrome - 13 Semi-structed in-depth interviews with caregivers

Meaningfulness

- "It's painful to watch her hold her breath involuntarily so long that she absolutely has a panicked look on her face. It's so difficult. It affects so much."
- "She has indicated to us that she, you know through her communication devices, that it's hard for her to breathe and that she wishes breathing was more easy."

Ubiquitousness

- "That's like [breathing problems], to me that's just her."
- "I think she has to really focus on breathing. Can you imagine having to focus on your breathing? It doesn't just happen. You have to think about it. Like you have to think to do something that you don't do on an every-day basis."

Breathing Irregularities are Detectable in Rett

- Irregular breathing is prevalent in Rett syndrome breath holding (apnea) rapid breathing (hyperventilation) shallow breathing (hypopnea) overall abnormal breathing
- 22 patient study (KET-101-RSRT) for feasibility and sensitivity to treatment effect

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Breathing Irregularities in Rett

VivoSense analysis of Ket-101-RSRT Hexoskin breathing data

ECG Derived Breathing Irregularities

VivoSense analysis of SENS-101-RSRT BioStamp ECG data

17 patients simultaneously wore a respiratory plethysmography (RP) and an ECG

Algorithm built and tested

ECG Derived Breathing Irregularities

Apnea / breath holds

Hyperventilation

Hyperventilation & Apnea

Hyperventilation & Apnea

ECG Derived Breathing Irregularities

Initial feasibility

Additional studies lead to analytical validation

ECG patches improved patient experience

More robust real-world data

Deceleration capacity correlates with Rett patient severity

- 20 patient study
- Clinical Global Impression of Severity Scores categorized patients to High or Low Severity
- At least 48-hr ECG wear post CGI-S assessment
- Confirmatory analyses ongoing on additional completed studies

HRV metric pNN50 variance: percent of adjacent beat-tobeat intervals differing by > 50 ms

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Emerald: an invisible for remote monitoring

- Touchless sensor and machine learning platform
- Uses radio frequencies less powerful than WiFi
- Used to assess gait speed and mobility, sleep staging, and pose estimation (movement)
- Validated against PSG and breathing belt in other indications

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Parkinson's

Alzheimer's

Rett Syndrome

Rett patients show variable breath length and depth

Rett patients show significant sleep disruption

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Rett patients are often awake and have reduced REM

Rett Patient Sleep Little REM and ~50% Awake

Healthy Individual Little Awake and ~20% REM

Objective measures of autonomic dysfunction are possible

Breathing, HRV, and sleep can be measured objectively in Rett patients

Potential to serve as biomarkers in therapeutic trials

Engaging regulators and industry partners for further development

Expansion of biosensors to assess movement disorders and other symptoms

Future Patient Centric Work

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