

Pre-Clinical/Clinical Approaches to Cannabis Product Development



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Cannabis Industry Product Matrix

Cannabis Industry Segment	Lifestyle			Medicinal: Health & Disease			
				Dietary Supplement	Drug		
Mode / Route of Administration	Inhaled	Ingested	Applied	Ingested	Inhaled	Ingested	Applied
Class of Starting Material *	Hemp						
	Marijuana / (Cannabis)						
Production Scale	Boutique / Artisanal / Craft						
	Commercial						
	Agricultural Commodity						
Product Goal	RBS						
	(Processed) Botanical Substance						
	Botanical Product						
				NDI	API		

* Cultivar(s) Selected ?

Preclinical
Discovery

Product
Differentiation

R&D

**Previously,
Medicinal Product
Development**

COMMERCIALIZATION

**proceeded as a
series of
sequential steps . .**

Formulation
Development:

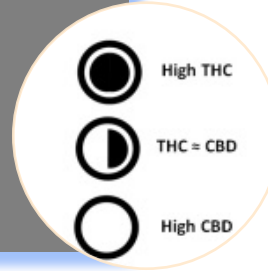
Clinical
Studies



Observational
Study - The
Dosing Project



Product
Differentiation-
ChemoMark



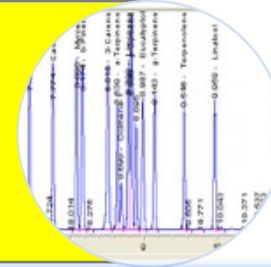
... But under this
New Paradigm, the
steps begin with
clinical observation

R&D

COMMERCIALIZATION

and products are
commercialized
sooner

Formulation
Development:



Clinical Studies



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**Phase
IV**

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Collaboration

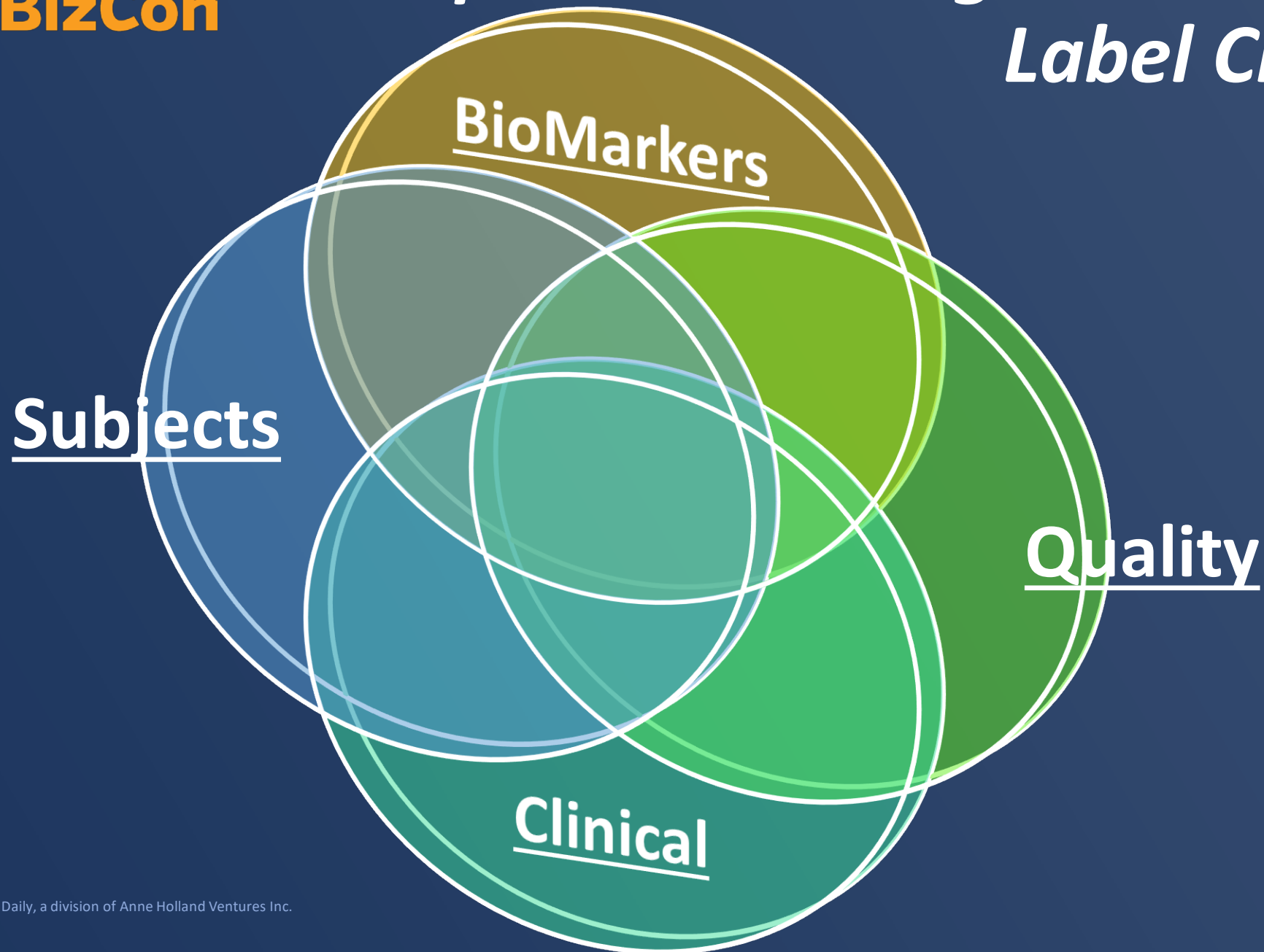
**BioMarker
Discovery**

Quality

**Form
Dev**

**Fill /
Finish**

4 Compass Points Together Enable Label Claims



Elements Enabling Successful Label Claims

✓ Quality

- Risk / Gap / SWOT Analysis
- QRM Driven Process Dev
- QMS

✓ Subjects

- Demographics
 - Personal
 - Genetics
 - Social

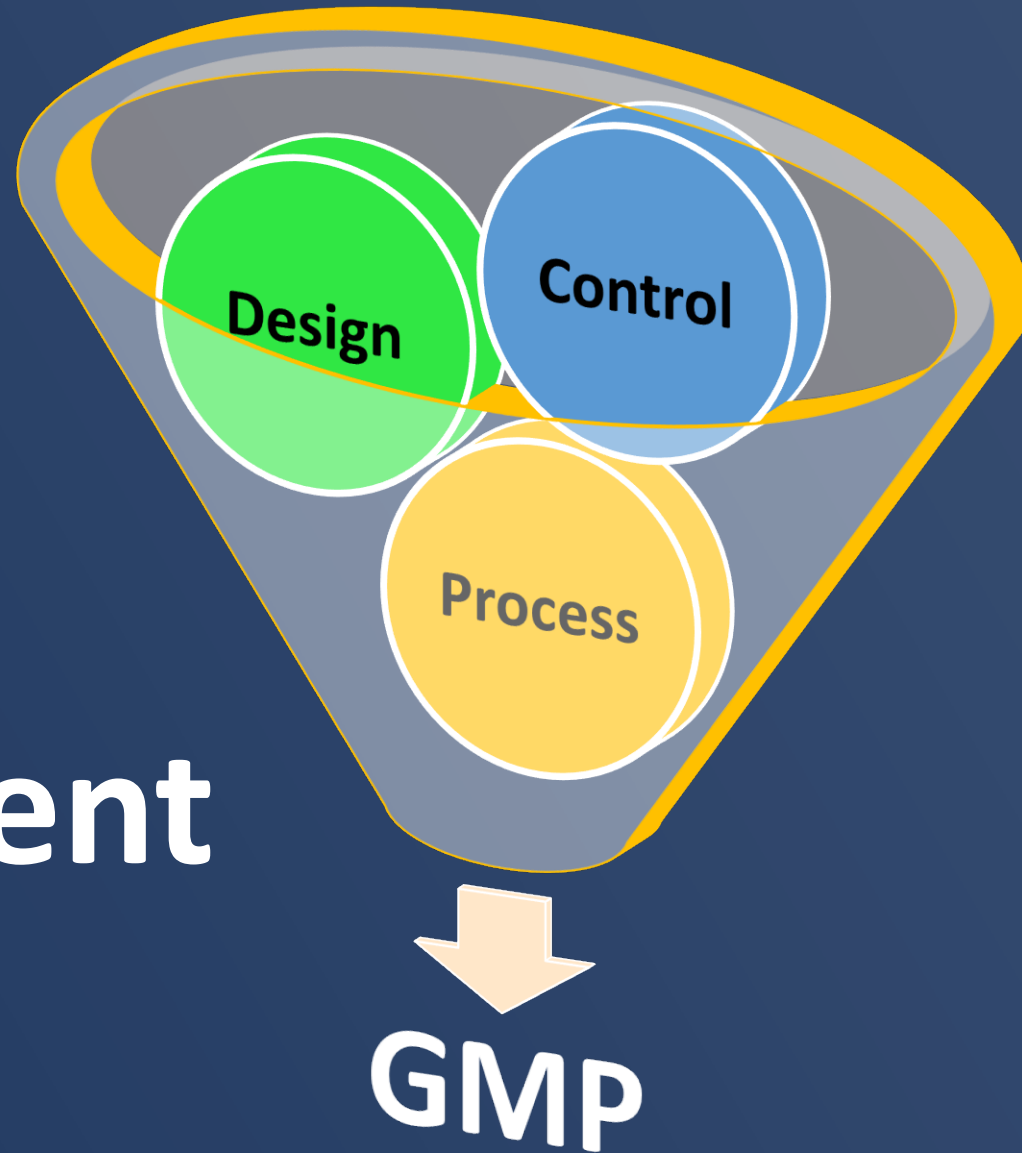
• BioMarkers

- Responses
- EndoCannabinoid System (ECS) Tone

✓ Clinical

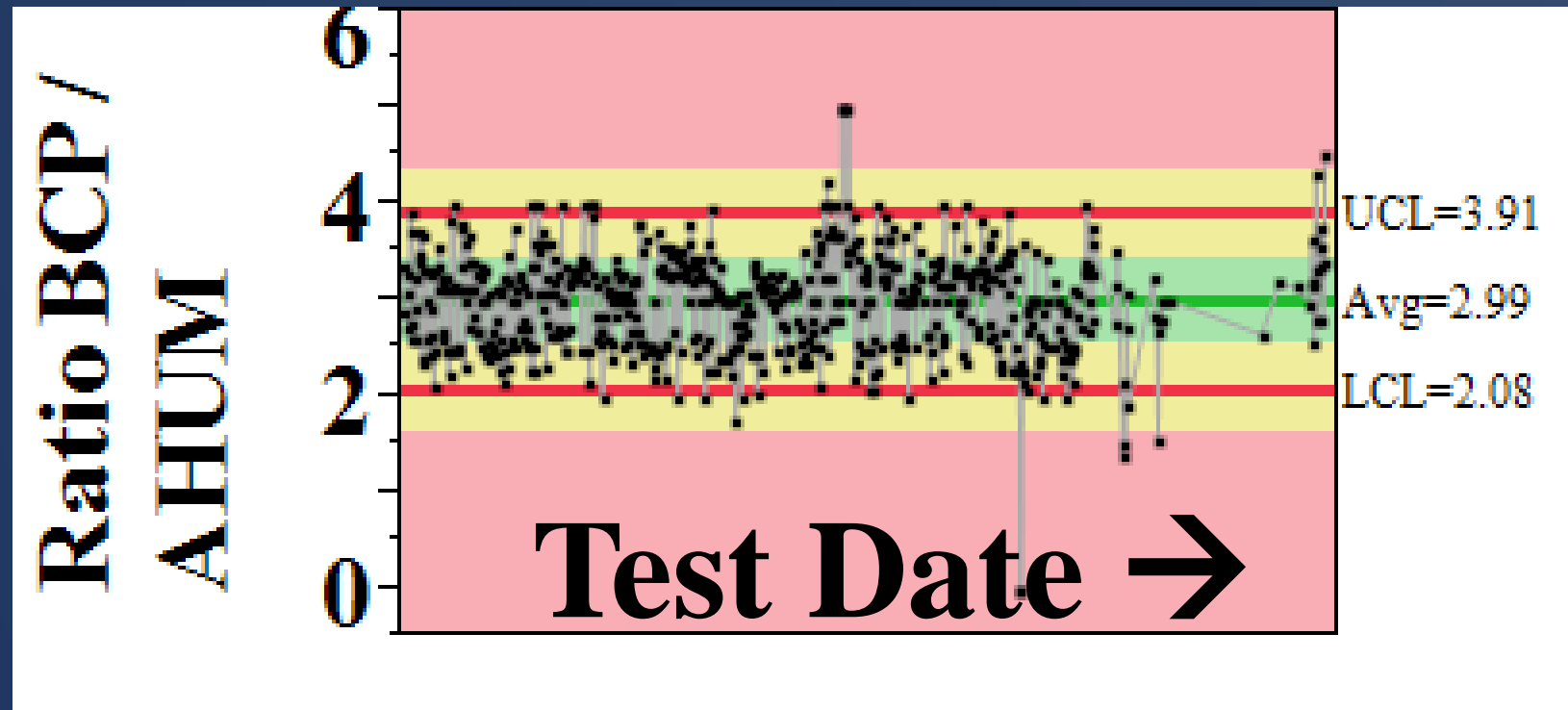
- Outcomes (Dose & Interactions)
- Adverse Events (AEs)

Quality Management System

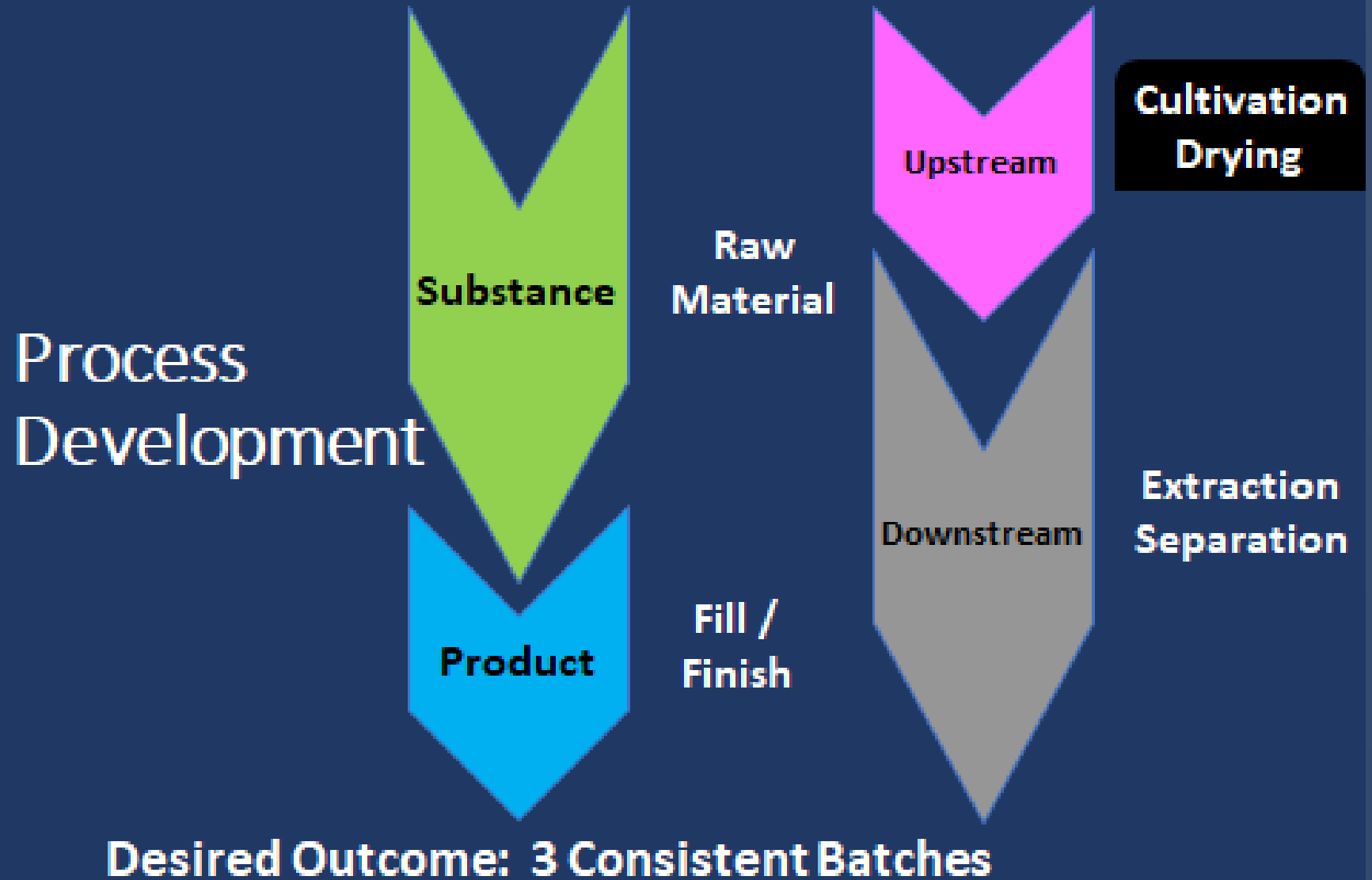


Quality: Control (Charts)

- ✓ Identify Dependent Variables (Outcomes) that can be optimized and controlled



Quality: Management System



Gantt Chart

Quality: By Design (of Experiments)

Quality by Design
Design of Experiments

The Context:

- Cannabis industry needs robust sampling guidance
- Use an *ad-hoc* Design of Experiments (DOE) Approach
- Analyze potency variance to derive sampling size guidelines from Power Analysis

Factors To Test:

Strains: Tangie, OG, Ogre, & Candyland

- **Sampling Variance: within plant vs between plants**
- **Bed Location: inner vs border**
- **Branch Position: L, M, C**
- **Source Depth: B, M, T**

Strain: OG

- **Plot Location: GH vs Outdoor**

Strain: OG & Plant

- **Trim: Y / N**

- **4 X 125 sq ft beds**
- **~ 42 plants used in DOE & Analysis**
 - **half of each bed**



Middle Top

Middle Middle

Middle Bottom



Center Top

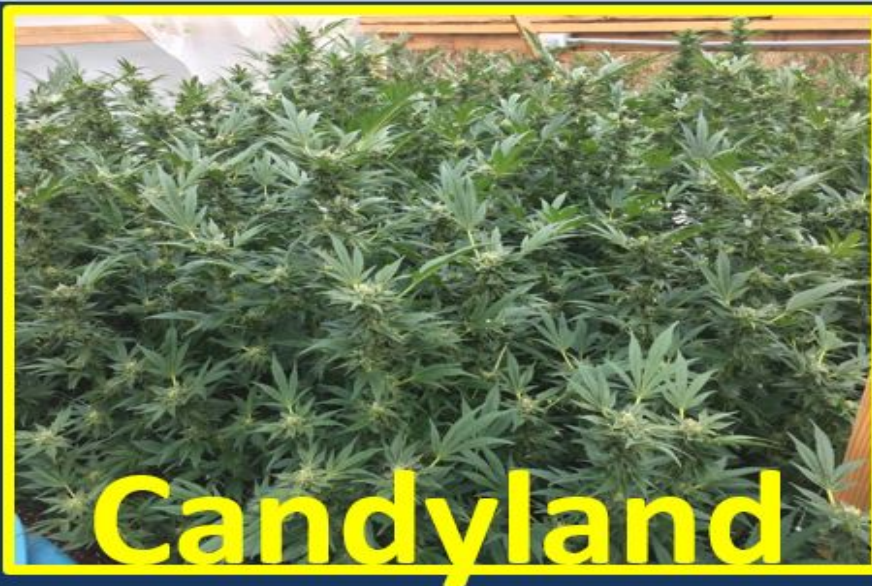
Center Middle

Center Bottom

Lower Top

Lower Middle

Lower Bottom



Strain	Location	Plant	Height	Weight	Yield	THC %	Sample #	Sex	Plant	Location	Plant	Height	Weight	Yield
Candyland	border	Outdoor	C	M	N		37	225	OG	Plant	Outdoor	C	S	Y
Candyland	border	Outdoor	L	S	N		38	225	OG	Plant	Outdoor	C	T	Y
Candyland	border	Outdoor	M	T	N		39	225	OG	Plant	Outdoor	C	M	Y
Candyland	inside	Outdoor	C	S	N		40	225	OG	Plant	Outdoor	L	T	Y
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OG	border	GH	C	S	N		49	225	Tangie	border	Outdoor	C	T	N
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OG	inside	GH	C	T	N		55	225	Tangie	Plant	Outdoor	C	M	N
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Quality By Design of Experiments Provides:

I. HARVEST GUIDANCE:

- Based on CBGA as Biomarker

II. VARIANCE ANALYSIS:

- Compare with Historical Variance Trends for THCA %

III. SAMPLING PLAN:

- Flower position can be a significant factor affecting THCA % (in some strains / conditions)
- Sampling across a Single Plant should be representative of sampling across the entire grow plot

Ad-hoc DOE; targeting
main effects only

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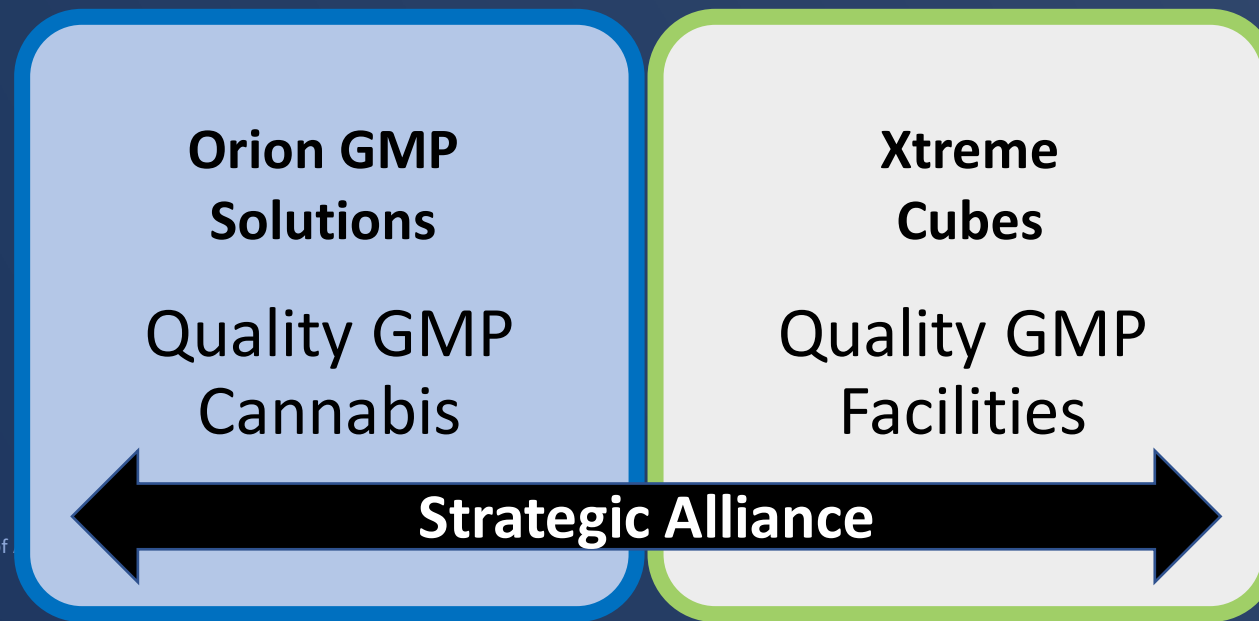
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- Sampling across a Sentinel Plant should be representative of sampling across the entire grow plot

Orion / Xtreme Cubes Facilities

:
working together for turn key solutions

“Quality by Design” Narrative to describe “Turn-Key Solutions”

- ✓ Risk based engineering approach to design decisions
- ✓ **Design of Experiments** for demonstrating repeatability
- ✓ Pilot GMP Enabled turn-key modular facilities



Starting at the End

New Drug Clinical Trials

Downward Trend: Only 16 out of every 100 drugs that enter Phase 1 will make it to FDA approval.



THE DOSING PROJECT™

Why is The Dosing Project Needed?

To Provide Accurate Dosing Guidelines for Cannabis Use

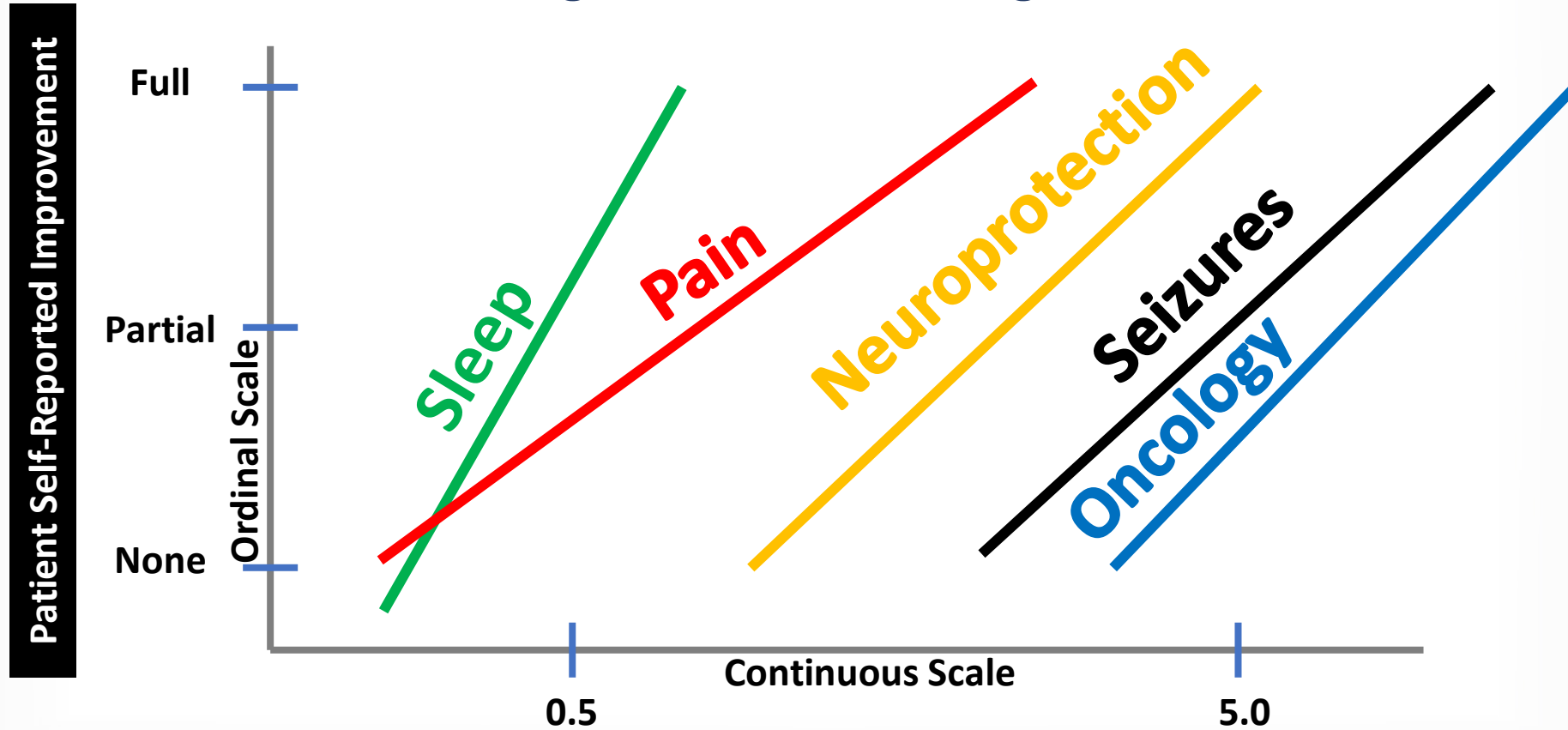
We propose a web-based, crowd-sourced observational study designed to establish dosing standards with a Phase 4 approach

Goals:


- **Determine** Effective Dose & Mode of Administration (MOA)
- **Identify** viable indications for Cannabis products
- **Survey** for Adverse Events

Ordinal Logistic Regression: Significant χ^2

Stratified by Indication; Grouped by Cannabis product type & MOA; Additional Regressors: Gender, Age, & Genetic Profiles



Indication

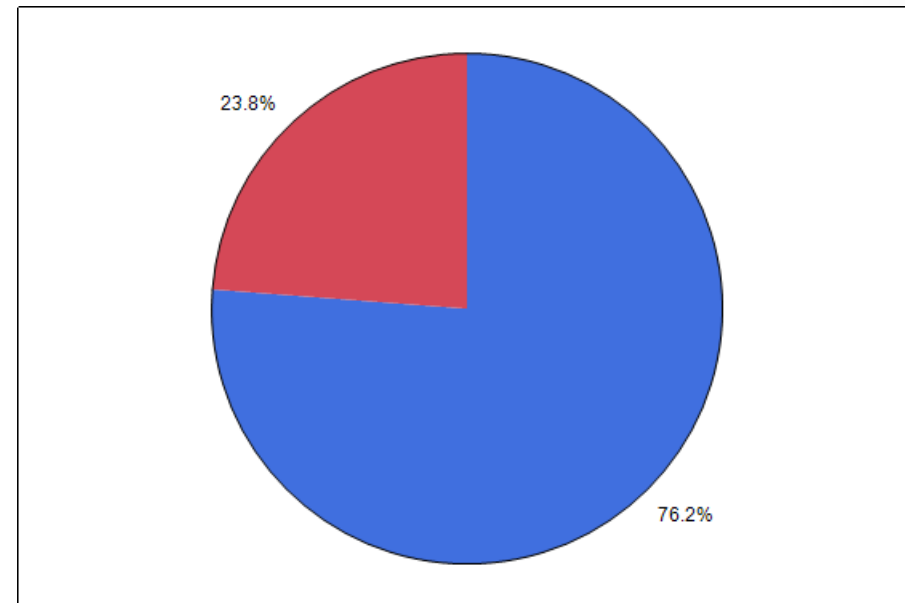
 Blue Dream 123

I'm medicating to manage:

☐ pain

☐ sleep

BACKNEXT



Mode of Administration



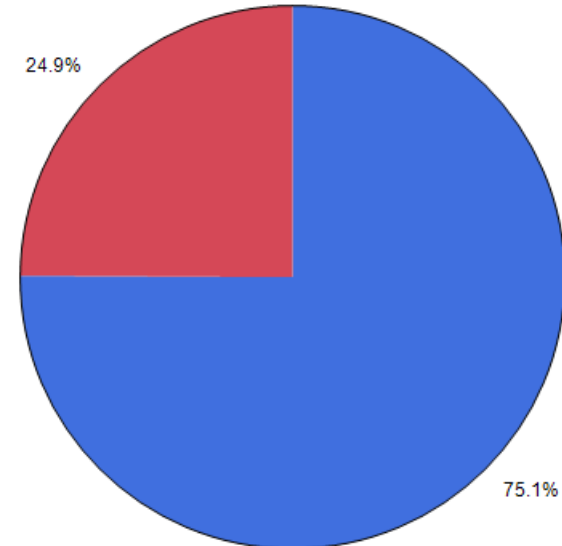
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My method of administration is:

- ☐ smoking
- ☐ vaporization
- ☐ other

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CANNABINOID RATIO GROUP

THC and CBD

Let's identify the percentage (%) of THC and CBD for the medicine you most recently used:

Ratio Help ?



High THC



High CBD



One to One

ratio_group



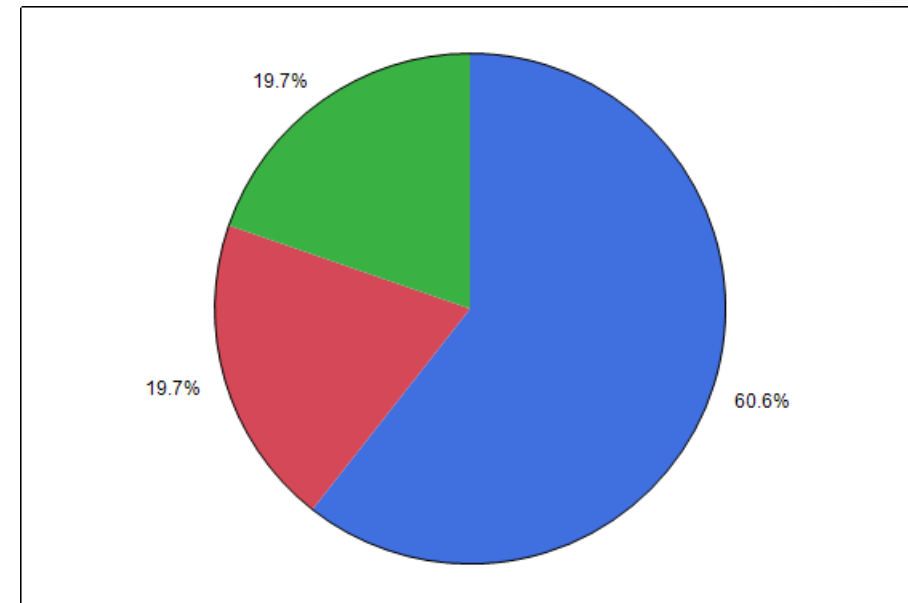
HI THC



HI CBD



THC EQUIV CBD



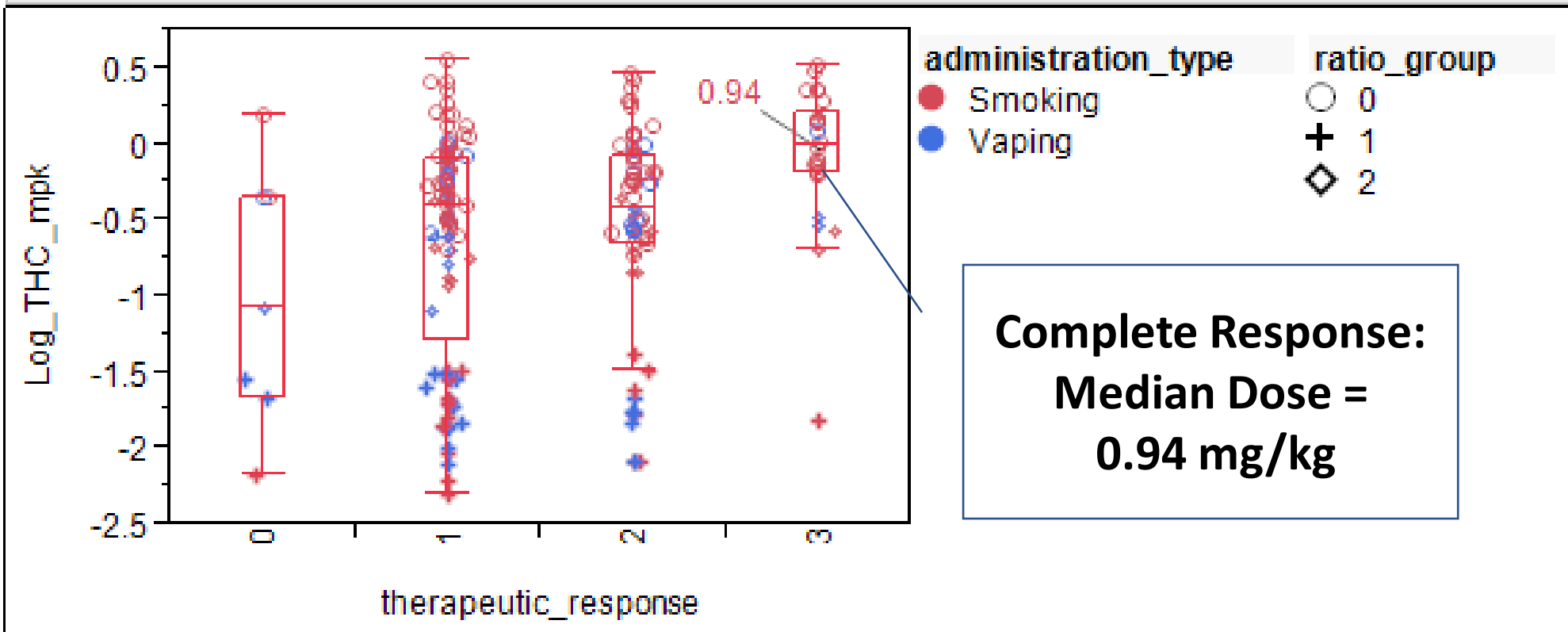
Ordinal Logistic Regression for Therapeutic Response

Indication	Whole Model Test		Effect Likelihood Ratio Tests	
	N	Prob>ChiSq	Source	Prob>ChiSq
Pain	205	0.0042	Log THC mg/kg	0.037
			Log CBD mg/kg	0.8693
			MOA	0.2427
Sleep	63	0.0272	Log THC mg/kg	0.0102
			Log CBD mg/kg	0.4145
			MOA	0.1475

*** P < 0.05**

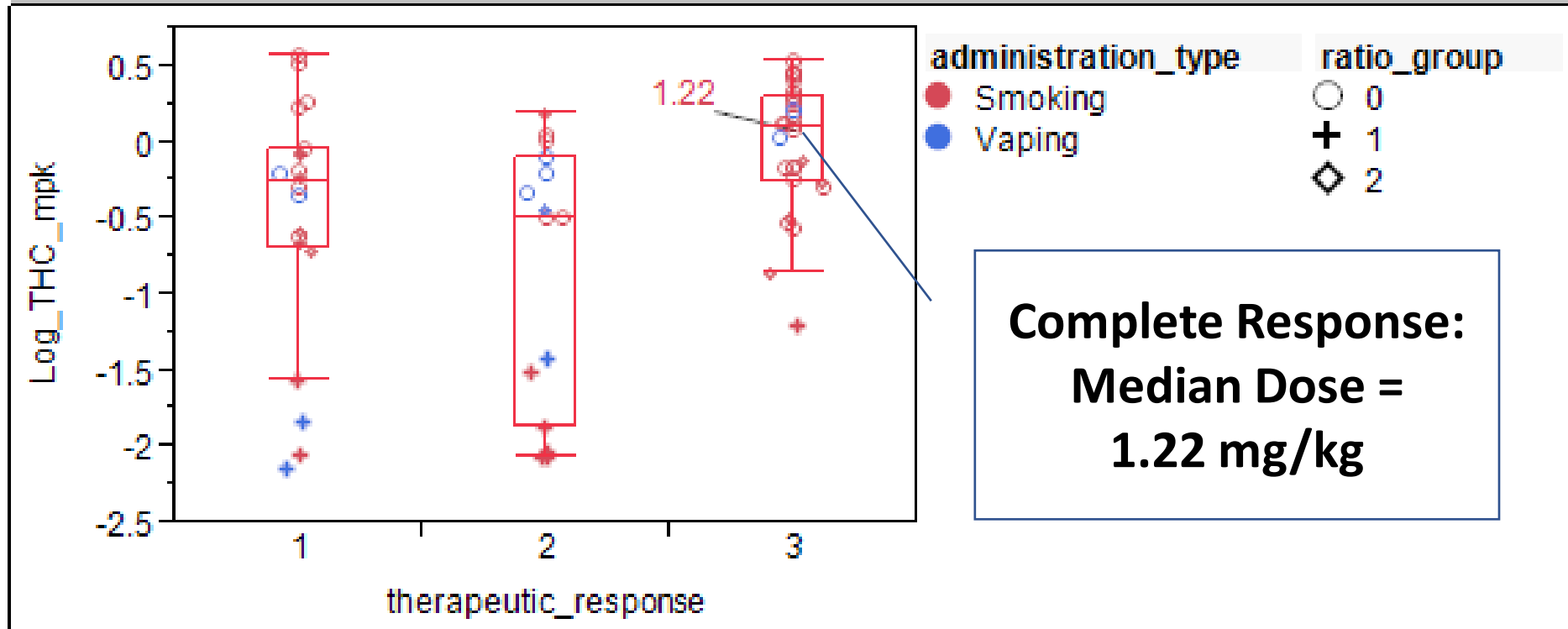
Response – Dose for Pain

Oneway Analysis of Log_THC_mpk By therapeutic_response for_sympom=Pain



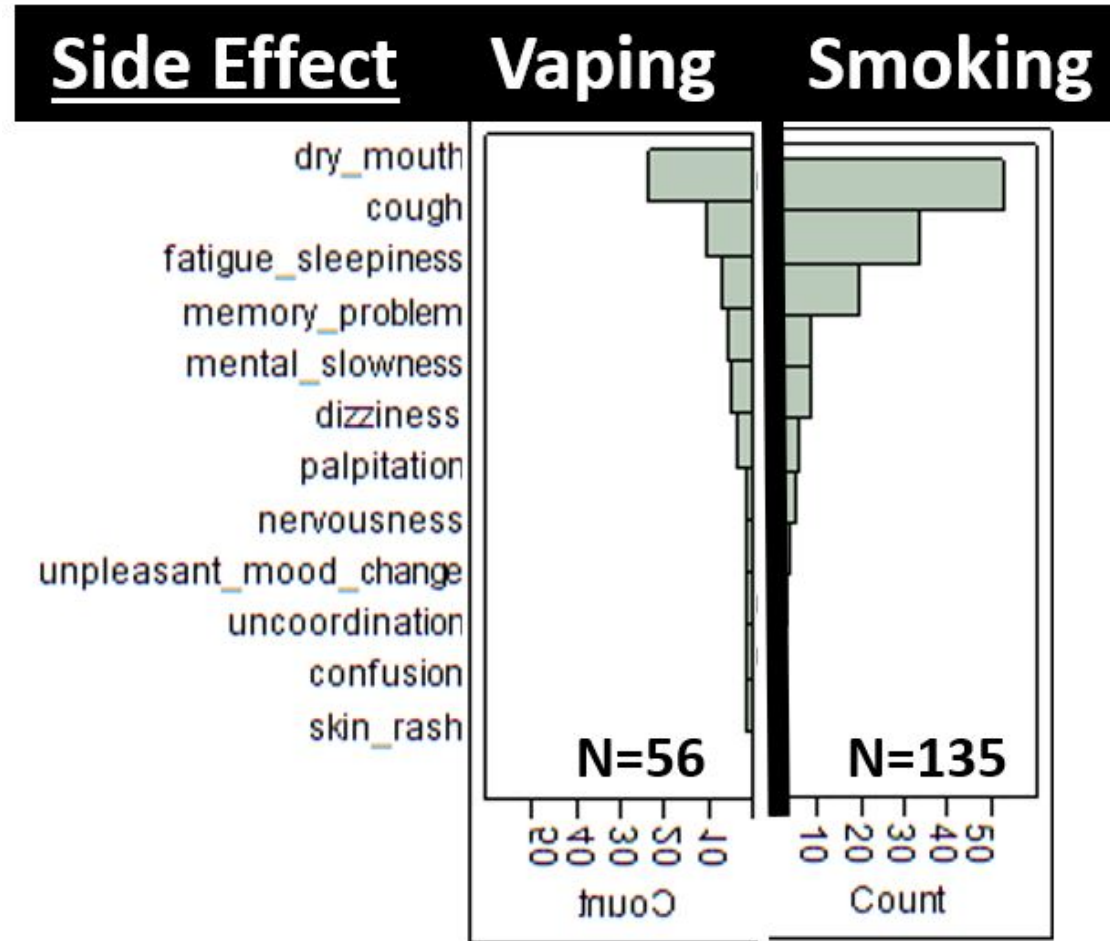
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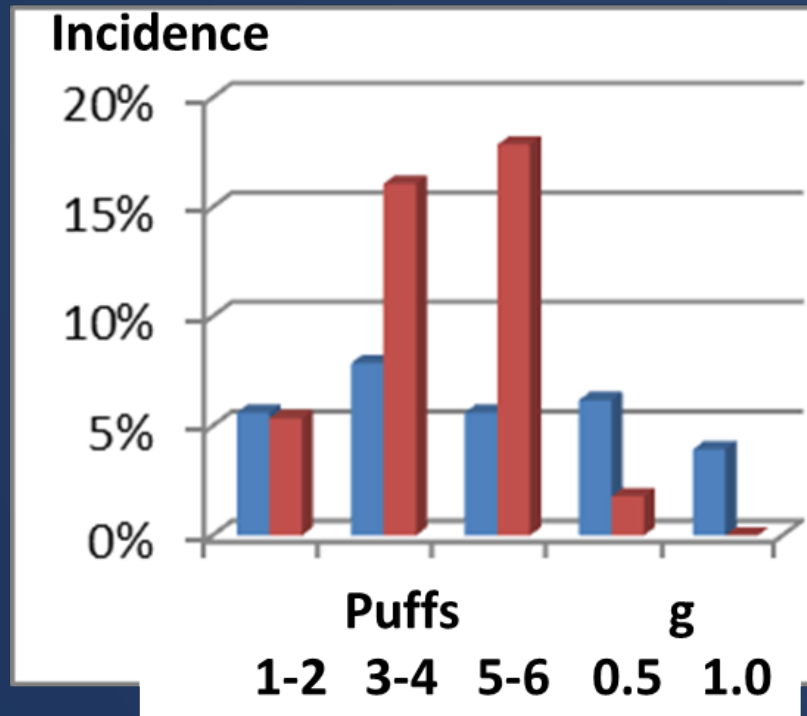
Missing Rows 1

Reported Side Effect Frequencies for Smoking or Vaping Cannabis Flower

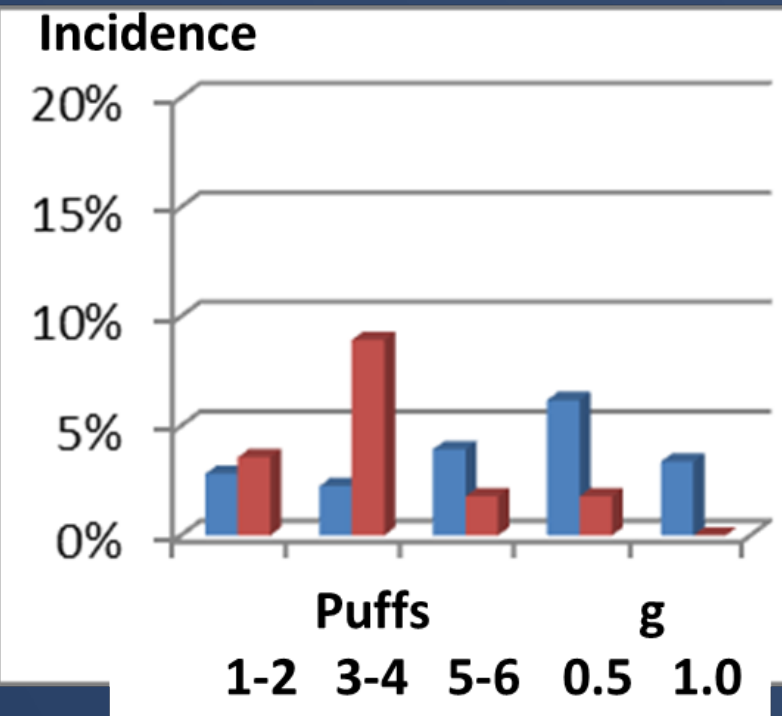


Most Frequent Adverse Events by Dose

Dry Mouth

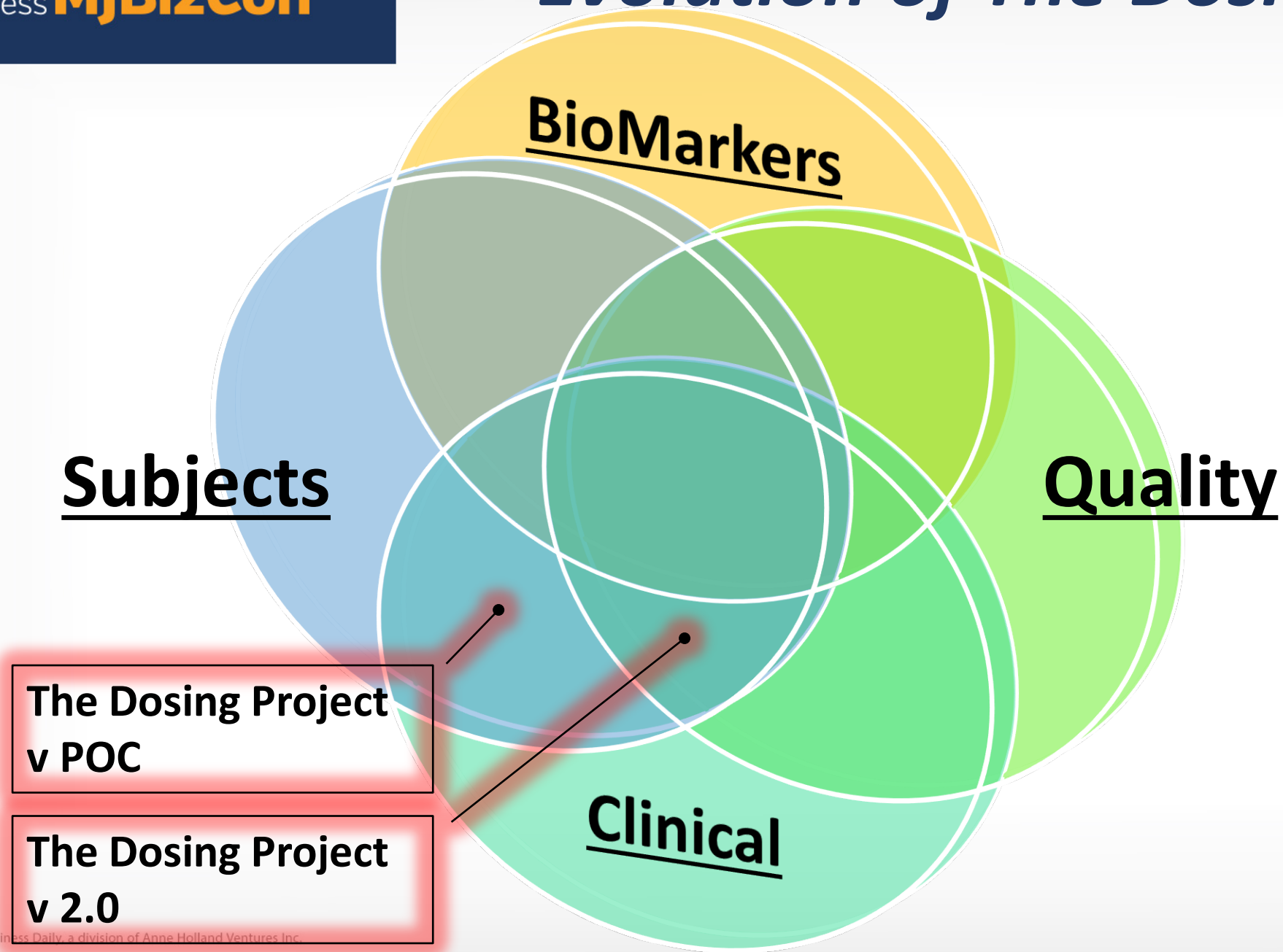


Cough



N = 234

Evolution of The Dosing Project



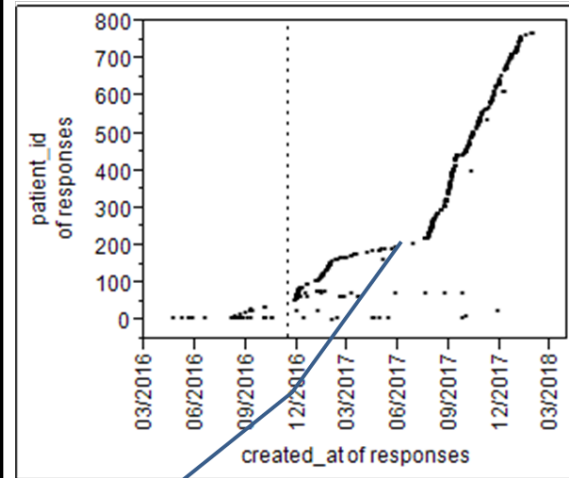
BioMarkers Under Development

- **qEEG**
- **CBD(A) *In Vitro* cell-based Potency Bioassay**
- **EndoCannabinoid System Tone Assays**
 - **based on Receptor activation states**
- **CB2 antibodies**

Subjects

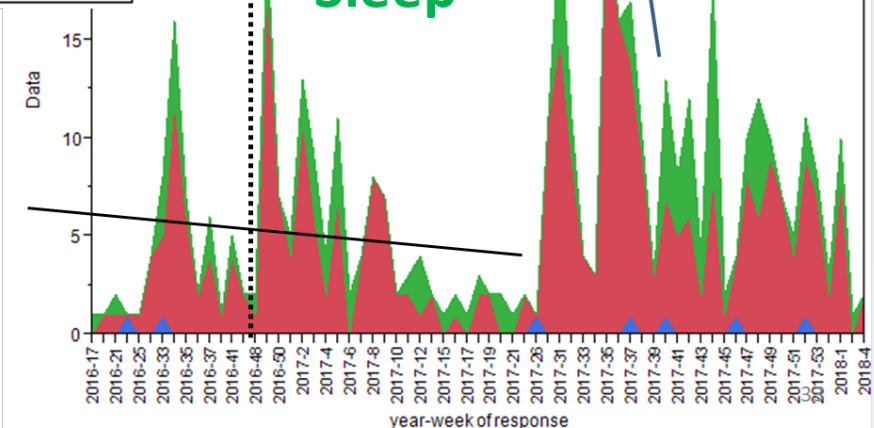
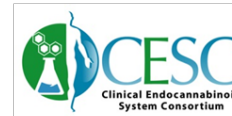
- IRB
- Recruiting
- Genetics
- Ethics (includes Data Security)

Recruiting for The Dosing Project™



Start of Targeted Sleep Respondent Campaign

Start of Google AdWords Campaign



Subject	Cluster	Strain	N Rows	N(Delta)	N(Delta1)	N(The ta)	N(Alpha)	N(Alpha1)	N(Alpha2)	N(Delta)	N(Delta2)	N(Gamma)
SUBJ1	1	EDEL	140	0	0	0	20	0	20	20	20	20
SUBJ1	1	GP	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	20
SUBJ1	1	SD	220	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
SUBJ1	3	EDEL	80	20	20	20	0	20	0	0	0	0
SUBJ1	3	GP	160	20	20	20	20	20	20	0	0	0
SUBJ7	1	SD	180	20	20	20	0	0	20	20	20	20
SUBJ7	2	EDEL	220	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
SUBJ7	2	GP	220	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
SUBJ7	2	SD	40	0	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0

Simple Pattern

Subject	Cluster	Strain	N Rows	N(Delta)	N(Delta1)	N(The ta)	N(Alpha)	N(Alpha1)	N(Alpha2)	N(Delta)	N(Delta2)	N(Gamma)
SUBJ2	1	EDEL	100	20	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUBJ2	1	GP	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUBJ2	1	SD	80	0	20	0	20	20	20	0	0	0
SUBJ2	2	EDEL	60	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	20	20
SUBJ2	2	GP	100	0	0	0	20	20	0	20	20	20
SUBJ2	3	GP	60	20	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUBJ2	3	SD	140	20	0	20	0	0	0	20	20	20
SUBJ2	4	EDEL	60	0	0	0	20	0	20	0	0	0
SUBJ2	4	GP	20	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0

SUBJ6	1	SD	60	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
SUBJ6	2	EDEL	80	20	20	20	0	20	0	0	0	0
SUBJ6	2	GP	140	0	20	0	0	20	0	20	20	20
SUBJ6	2	SD	100	0	0	20	0	0	0	20	20	0
SUBJ6	3	GP	40	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUBJ6	4	EDEL	140	0	0	0	20	0	20	20	20	20
SUBJ6	4	GP	40	0	0	0	20	0	20	0	0	0
SUBJ6	4	SD	60	0	0	0	20	20	20	0	0	0

SUBJ8	1	EDEL	100	0	20	20	0	0	0	20	0	0
SUBJ8	1	GP	220	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
SUBJ8	1	SD	60	20	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUBJ8	2	EDEL	60	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20
SUBJ8	2	SD	120	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	20	20
SUBJ8	3	EDEL	60	0	0	0	20	20	20	0	0	0
SUBJ8	4	SD	40	0	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0

SUBJ9	1	EDEL	100	20	20	0	0	0	20	0	20	20
SUBJ9	1	GP	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20
SUBJ9	1	SD	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20
SUBJ9	2	EDEL	100	0	0	20	20	0	0	20	0	0
SUBJ9	2	GP	180	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	0	0
SUBJ9	2	SD	60	20	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
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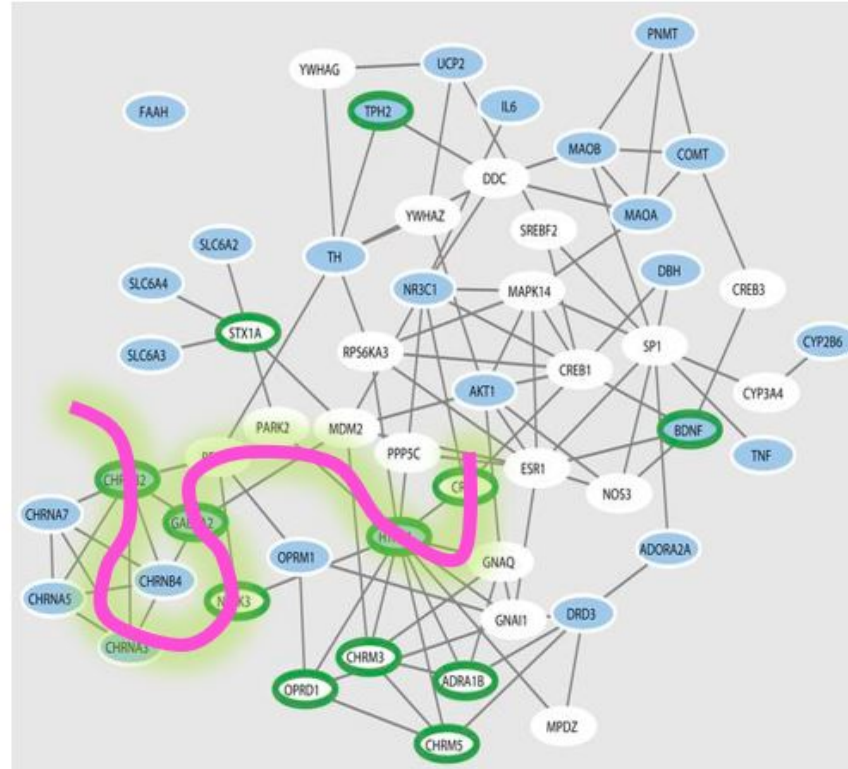
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SUBJ3	2	GP	40	0	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0
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SUBJ3	3	SD	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUBJ3	4	EDEL	60	0	0	0	20	20	20	0	0	0
SUBJ3	4	GP	20	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0
SUBJ3	4	SD	80	0	0	0	20	20	20	20	0	0

SUBJ5	1	EDEL	80	0	0	0	20	0	20	0	20	20
SUBJ5	1	GP	120	20	20	20	0	0	0	20	0	0
SUBJ5	1	SD	100	0	0	0	20	0	20	20	0	0
SUBJ5	2	EDEL	120	20	20	20	0	0	0	20	0	0
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Complex Pattern

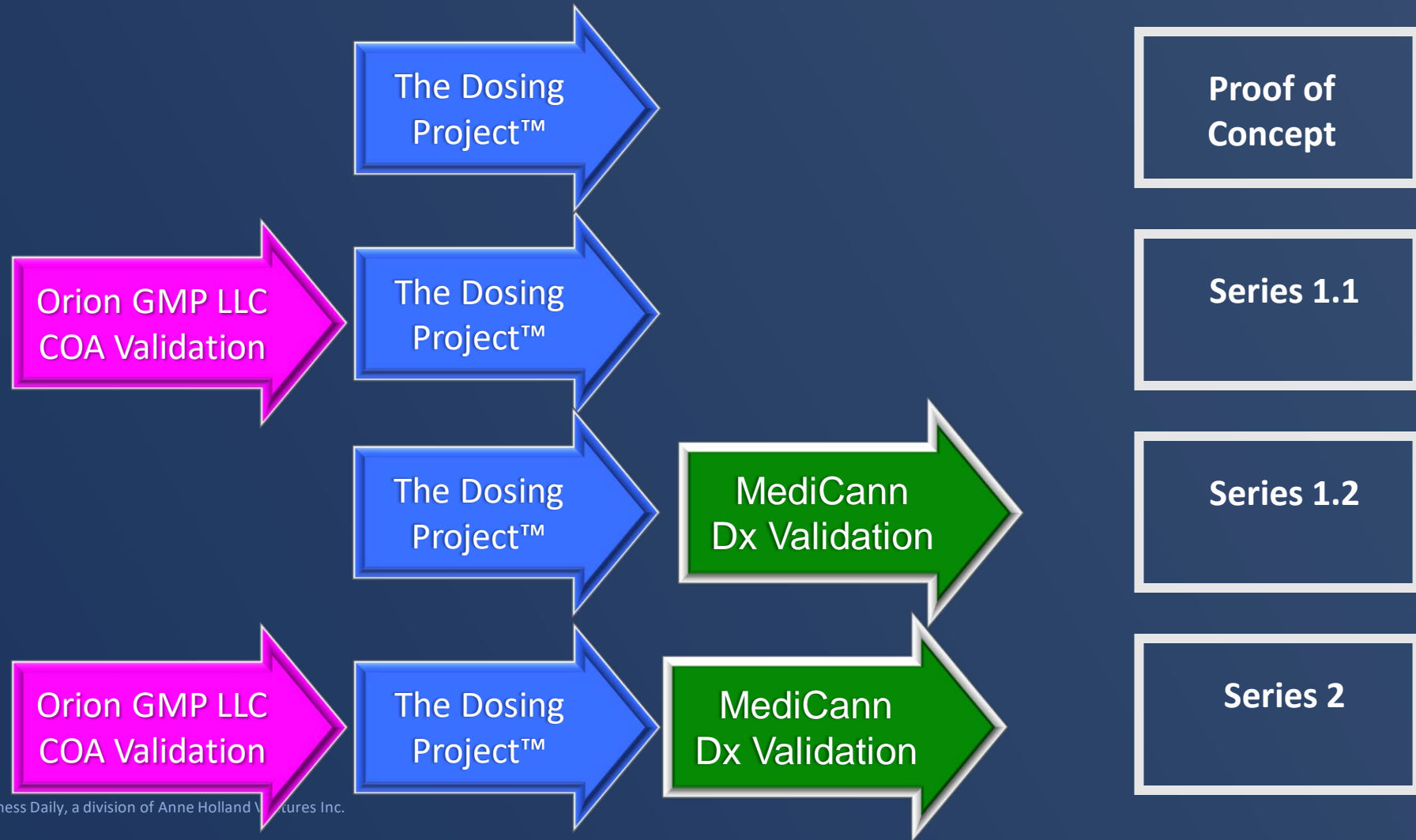
Because Individual Responses ARE Different

Can a Placebo Neural Circuit be Identified?

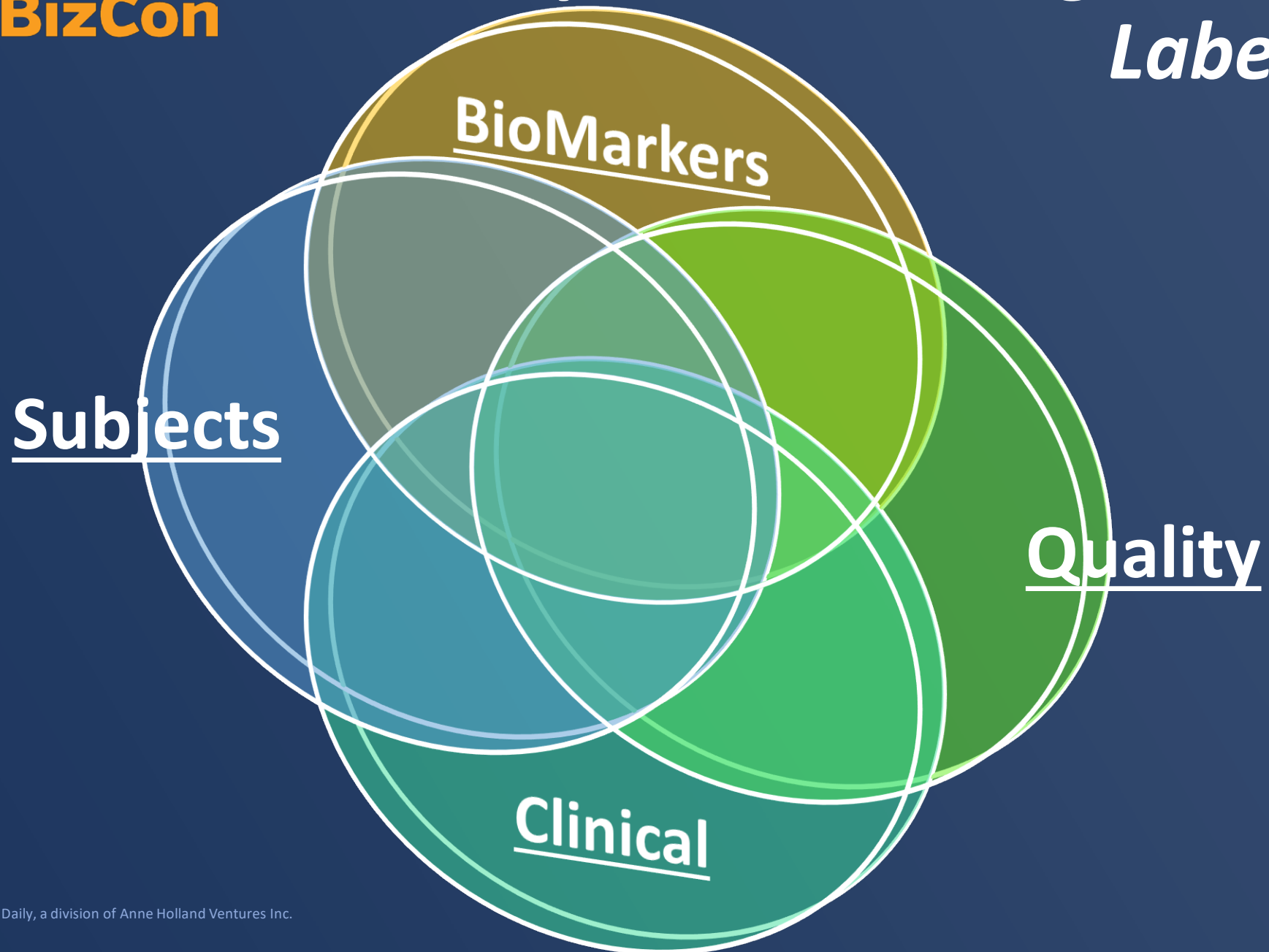


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Big Data: Creating a Product Line of Data Vectors



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