



## **CHANGE AFib:**

A Pragmatic Randomized Clinical Trial  
of Early Dronedarone versus Usual Care to Change and Improve  
Outcomes in Persons with First-Detected Atrial Fibrillation

## **Fireside Chat – November 10, 2022**

*CHANGE AFib is a collaboration between the American Heart Association and  
the Duke Clinical Research Institute, with support from Sanofi US Services Inc.*



# Meeting Reminders



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- All participants will be muted upon entry.
- Meeting is being recorded and will be archived on our trial website:

[www.changeafib.org](http://www.changeafib.org)

## Questions?

- Please hold questions until our Q&A session at the end of the call.
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# Agenda:



Welcome & Introductions



Trial Progress Update



Protocol Amendment Review



Screening & Enrollment Action Items



Q&A



Trial Reminders & Closing

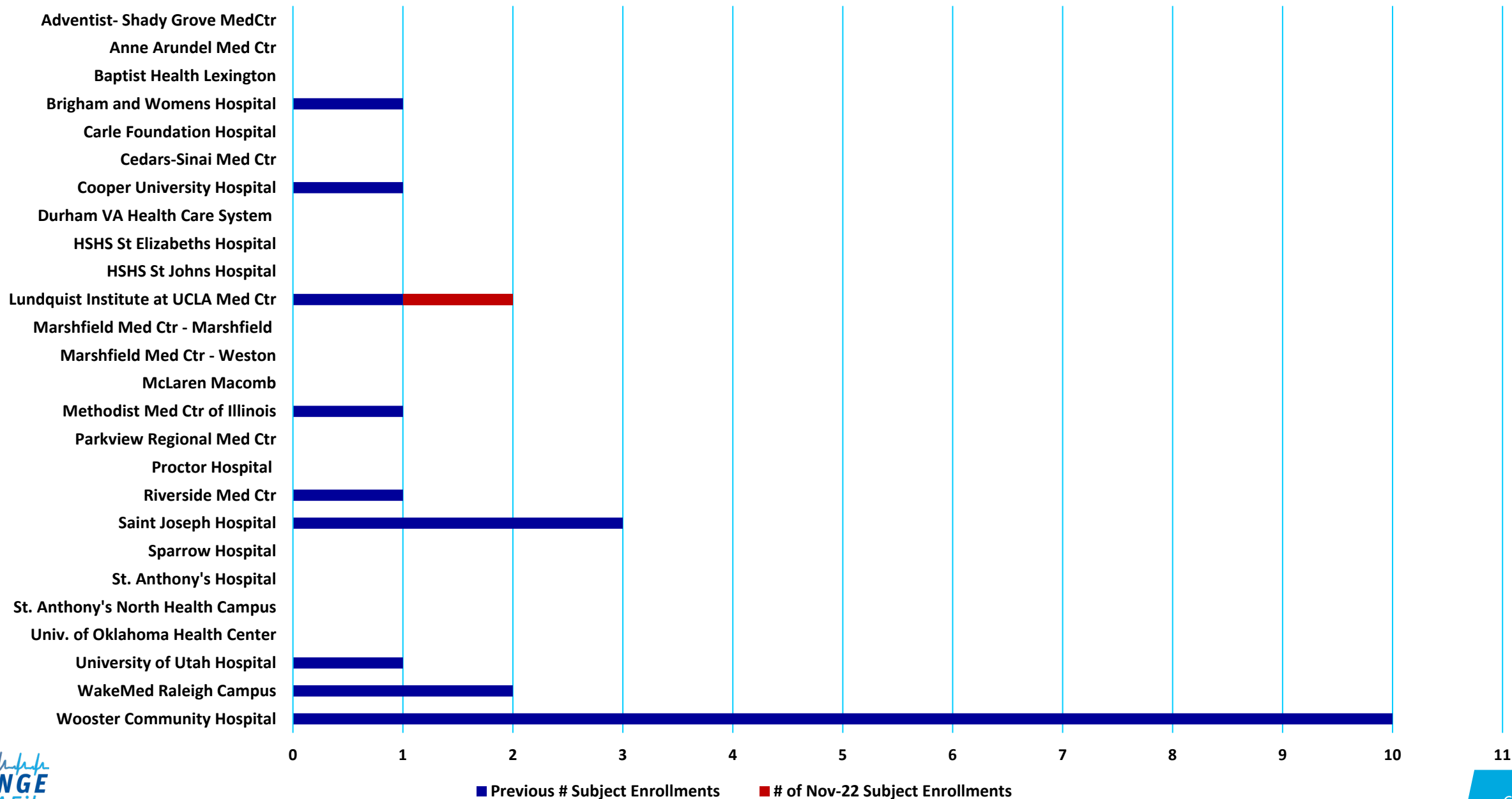


# Trial Progress Update

# Trial Progress – as of November 10, 2022

Site Status	Current Status	Trial GOAL!
Subject Enrollments	22	3000
Activated Sites	26	200
Sites in Onboarding	61	-
Sites Assessing Feasibility	38	-

# Subject Enrollments by Site (22)



Above data current as of 10Nov2022



# Congrats & Thank You to Wooster Community Hospital





# **Protocol V2.0 Amendment Review**



## Section 1.2: Schedule of Activities

- Full revision of “**Trial Visit Data Capture Requirements & Schedule**” table. (See Protocol for full details.)
- The table reflects the **collection of data** that is being conducted **during** the patient’s clinical care.
- This is a **pragmatic trial** and, consistent with the design, there are **no** diagnostic procedures or laboratory studies **required by the protocol**.
- All of the **data recorded** are **data captured** in the course of the **patient’s clinical care**.



## Section 5.1: Inclusion Criteria

- **Age** lowered from 60 to **21 years or older**.
- **Definition of first-detected Atrial Fibrillation** extended from diagnosis in previous 60 days to **120 days**.
- **Acute care encounter** defined as the evaluation or treatment of atrial fibrillation within 120 days.
  - / Further clarified that patients can be enrolled from the inpatient setting during this qualifying acute care encounter or afterwards in the outpatient setting, so long as the qualifying acute care event has occurred in the past 120 days.
  - / Acute care encounters are defined as a visit to an emergency department, observation unit, or hospital admission.
- Eligibility of consent by **Legally Authorized Representatives**



## Section 5.2: Exclusion Criteria

- Clarification on definition of **chronic antiarrhythmic drug therapy** (defined as **> 7 days** of treatment).
- Clarification of **prior hospitalization for AF** to explicitly not include the qualifying first-detected AF acute care encounter event.
- Expansion of criteria #11 to exclude **patients currently breast feeding**.
- Clarification of criteria #12 to **defer to the opinion of the investigator** on constitution of **severe hepatic impairment**.





## Section 6.2: Study Intervention Compliance

- Clarification on **study intervention start time**.
  - / Participants in the **intervention arm** will be contacted **within 10 days of randomization** to verify that they have **filled and started taking their prescription** for dronedarone.



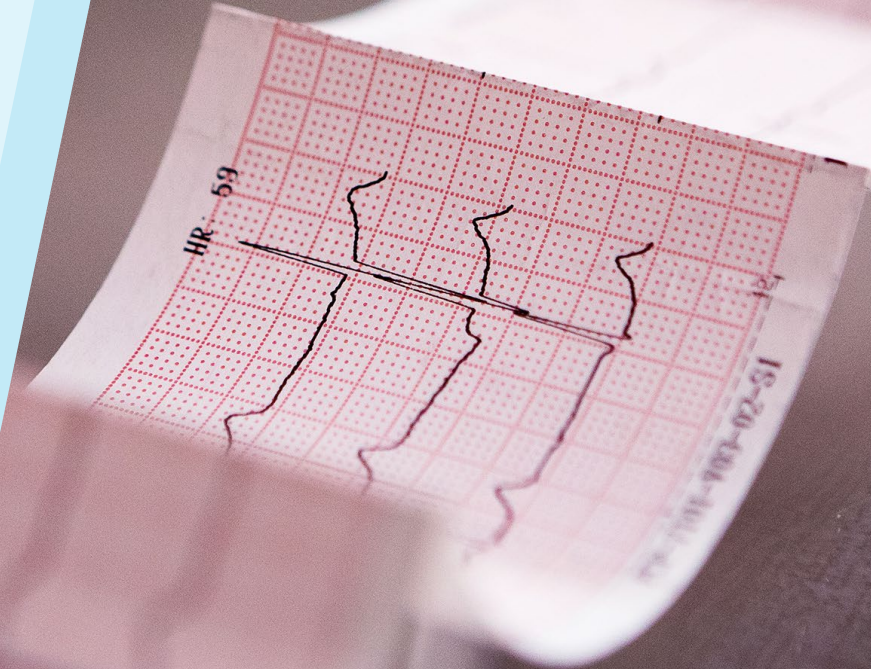


## Section 6.3: Concomitant Treatment

- Addition of the following:
  - / **Cardioversion** (pharmacologic or electrical) is **not an exclusion** and **is permitted throughout the trial**.
  - / Patients who are **planned or scheduled to undergo catheter ablation** during screening or at the baseline visit **are not eligible**.
  - / **Following enrollment**, if a patient experiences escalation of symptoms or refractory symptoms, **escalation of rhythm control interventions, including catheter ablation, can be considered if deemed necessary by the patient's treating physician**.
- **Antiarrhythmic Drug Therapy** Definition Added
  - / Orally administered **antiarrhythmic drugs** for the treatment of atrial fibrillation **include Vaughan-Williams class I and III medications**, including flecainide, propafenone, sotalol, dofetilide, dronedarone, and amiodarone. Note, beta-blockers (class II) and non-dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers (class IV) are not membrane active antiarrhythmic medications.

## Section 7: Discontinuation of Study Intervention and Participant Discontinuation/Withdrawal

- Additional clarification provided indicating that **patients should not be discontinued** when they experience a **primary endpoint event**.
- Patients should **continue** in the trial **until the end of study visit** at the end of follow-up.
- The **study intervention** therapy should be **continued** unless deemed otherwise by the treating physician or if the patient requires initiation of a different antiarrhythmic medication.





## Section 8: Study Assessments and Procedures

- Additional clarification provided indicating that patients **can be enrolled** in the **inpatient setting** during their qualifying **acute care encounter** or afterwards in the **outpatient setting** so long as their new-onset atrial fibrillation and acute care visit were in the **prior 120 days**.



## Section 8.1: Pregnancy

- Revision as follows:
  - / Women of reproductive age should use measures to **prevent pregnancy during the study**... **Pregnancy** will be recorded as an **adverse event** in all cases and **dronedarone should be immediately discontinued**.
- Removal of specific birth control methods, as intervention arm subjects should **follow the package insert** as the **study medication is FDA approved**.





# Next Steps for IRB

## Central IRB Sites

- All Central IRB sites were reviewed and approved for Protocol V2.0 (dated 17Oct2022) immediately following the Master IRB Approval.
  - / Date of Master IRB Approval: 24Oct2022
  - / Date of Master IRB Approval Notice: 31Oct2022
  - / Date of Initial Protocol V2.0 ICF: 24Oct2022
  - / Date of FINAL Protocol V2.0 ICF: 04Nov2022
- **If your site requires a translated ICF, please reach out to your assigned AHA Site Manager or [CHANGEAFibContracting@heart.org](mailto:CHANGEAFibContracting@heart.org)**
- Due to a minor ICF typo caught after IRB approval, multiple IRB approval emails were sent out to all Central IRB sites.
- Site-specific IRB Approval notices and ICFs are currently being sent individually to each site- **see subsequent slide for list of sites approved to enroll under Protocol V2.0**





# Next Steps for IRB

## Local IRB Sites

- All IRB approved documents to support your local submission have been posted on the trial website [HERE](#).
- Please send any ICF edits to [CHANGEAFibContracting@heart.org](mailto:CHANGEAFibContracting@heart.org) for sponsor approval prior to Local IRB submission.
- Upon receipt of sponsor approval, please proceed with Local IRB submission and inform your AHA Site Manager of your site's expected timeline for IRB approval.
- ***Until your site receives Local IRB approval, you are only able to enroll CHANGE AFib subjects under Protocol V1.0 eligibility criteria.***



# DCRI REDCap Study Shell

## Platform for Eligibility Criteria, Consent & Randomization

- **REDCap Study Shell Update:**

- / The DCRI team is currently updating all CHANGE AFib REDCap study shells to reflect Protocol V2.0.
- / If your site is activated or soon-to-be activated, you should've already heard from the DCRI team regarding "downtime" in your REDCap study shell to accommodate the programming.
- / Formal Enrollment Approval notifications are being sent to all sites when all updates are complete.
- / Reach out to your AHA Site Manager with any questions!

- **eConsent ON HOLD:**

- / If your site is utilizing the sponsor-provided eConsent platform within REDCap, you will receive a formal notification when your new ICF has been uploaded into your site's REDCap portal.





# **As of 10Nov2022- Sites Approved to Enroll Under Protocol V2.0**

**(IRB Approved & REDCap Study Shell Update Complete)**

- Adventist HC Shady Grove Med Center
- Brigham and Women's Hospital
- Cooper University Hospital
- Lundquist Institute (UCLA Medical Center – Harbor)
- HSHS St Elizabeth's Hospital – Prairie Health
- HSHS St. John's Hospital – Prairie Health
- Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center
- Marshfield Medical Center - Marshfield
- Marshfield Medical Center - Weston
- McLaren Macomb
- MetroHealth Medical Center
- Parkview Regional Medical Center
- St. Anthony Hospital (Colorado Heart and Vascular)
- St. Anthony Hospital North Health Campus (Colorado Heart and Vascular)
- Wooster Community Hospital

**All sites will receive a formal enrollment approval email with the updated screening log template.**





# List of Updated Documents

All Protocol V2.0 documents are posted on [CHANGEAFib.org](https://CHANGEAFib.org)

- Main Study IRB Approval (31OCT2022) – [HERE](#)
- Protocol V2.0 –17OCT2022 – [HERE](#)
- Summary of Changes, Protocol V2.0 – 17OCT2022 – [HERE](#)
- Protocol V2.0 ICF Template – [HERE](#)
- Protocol V2.0 ICF Template\_Tracked Changes – [HERE](#)

## **Coming Soon:**

- **Recruitment Materials** – Trial Brochure & Provider Pocket Cards are currently under production and will be distributed & posted to the trial website shortly!
- **Updated Protocol V2.0 Screening Log** – Included in formal enrollment approval notification to sites from AHA CHANGE AFib team.



# Summary of Next Steps

## 1. Protocol V2.0 Site Training

- / Establish focused time with CHANGE AFib trial team to thoroughly review Protocol V2.0 and Summary of Changes
- / Principal Investigator sign & submit Protocol V2.0 Signature Page

## 2. IRB Approvals

- / Central IRB Approval Emails with notification & ICFs.
- / Local IRB sites to submit ICF changes needed prior to IRB submission.
- / Please make sure to file all documents according to site/institution requirements.


## 3. REDCap Site Updates

- / Protocol V2.0 Enrollment Approval Emails
- / eConsent on HOLD for now – Stay tuned for updates!

## 4. Screening & Enrollment

- / **START** Screening for Protocol V2.0 eligibility criteria using the update Screening Log (V5\_07Nov2022)!
- / **ENROLL** 2 subjects a week to help us get to the **2022 Year End GOAL!**





# **Subject Enrollment Action Items**



# **TRIAL ENROLLMENT GOAL**

**2022 YEAR END GOAL:  
300 SUBJECTS**

**2 SUBJECTS PER SITE PER  
WEEK**

**Our year-end goal can be achieved if all  
sites enroll at least 2-subjects per week!  
As we are consistently activating new trial  
sites, we know can meet this  
2022 goal together!!**





# Screening & Enrollment Requirements for Success

## Tasks by End of Year 2022

- Screening Strategies
  - / Manual Screening vs EMR Report reviews
  - / Daily review of patients currently in ER or on cardiology floors/services
  - / Daily collaboration with outpatient clinics and schedules for potential patients
  - / Retroactive review of previously submitted screening logs due to increased diagnosis window (120-days)
    - Review diagnosis dates of subjects previously ineligible due to Protocol V1.0 60-day diagnosis window.
    - Review subjects previously listed as 'planned for OP enrollment'
- Trial Visibility throughout the Site
  - / Promote CHANGE AFib at routine departmental meetings or grand rounds
  - / Identify a trial champion in various areas of your site (ER, OP clinics, etc.) & circulate provider pocket cards!





**Q&A**

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# Trial Reminders



# Mark Your Calendars!

## Upcoming Fireside Chats

- Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 12-1pm ET

Next Up

*2023 Dates to be Announced Shortly!*

*\*Archived webinar recordings & handouts  
can be found [HERE](#) on the trial website.*

# Connect With Us!

## How to reach the CHANGE AFib Team



### AHA Site Managers:

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## Resources to Remember



For important trial information and today's meeting recording, go to the **Resources** page at [www.changeafib.org](http://www.changeafib.org) or visit the QR Code to the left.

