

Resource Summary Report

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Resource Information

URL: <http://www.action.org/>

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Description: A public-private partnership with the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to identify, prioritize, sponsor, coordinate, and promote innovative activities - with a special interest in optimizing clinical trials - that will expedite the discovery and development of improved analgesic, anesthetic, and addiction medications and to more generally accelerate the development of treatments with improved efficacy and safety. This multi-year, multi-phase initiative is closely aligned with the FDA's Critical Path Initiative. The key objectives of ACTION involve initiating and supporting strategic collaborations among a broad spectrum of stakeholders - including, but not limited to, academia, the FDA and other government agencies, industry, professional organizations, patient advocacy groups, foundations, and philanthropic organizations - with the goals of sharing data and innovative thinking about the development of novel therapeutics. These strategic collaborations involve a wide range of research projects and other activities, for example, scientific workshops, consensus meetings, and in-depth analyses of clinical trial data to determine the effects of research methods on study assay sensitivity and efficiency. ACTION launched an initiative to develop training materials for clinical trial subjects (and staff) to be used with pain rating scales and other pain-related patient reported outcomes. Once materials have been developed and evaluated, proof-of-concept trials will be conducted to test the hypothesis that patient and staff training can improve the assay sensitivity of analgesic trials.

Abbreviations: ACTTiON

Synonyms: Analgesic Anesthetic and Addiction Clinical Trial Translations Innovations Opportunities and Networks, AAACCTiON

Resource Type: consortium, data or information resource, organization portal, portal

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No rating or validation information has been found for ACTION.

No alerts have been found for ACTION.

Data and Source Information

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Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 8 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [SPARC SAWG](#) .

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