So, you want to do ADRD research??

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TEAM/MENTORSHIP

• Be genuine
• Augment your strengths with a team...identify key areas
• At least one key investigator or mentor (for K etc) with ADRD background (NIH grants, professional focus)
• If administering cognitive tests, consider a neuropsychologist
• Imaging or diagnostic experts?
• Don’t forget about consultants at other institutions
• Each with a clear role/complementary expertise
• Don’t wait until last minute
REVIEW CONSIDERATIONS

• If know review committee roster, be savvy ...lots of neurologists, then consider adding one etc

• Many ADRD grants now reviewed by a large SEP roster with rotating members, so harder to identify likely reviewers and may not be the same if do a revision

• Read RFA/NOGA carefully

• Many ADRD grants now refer to NIH Research Implementation Milestones and ask to identify which milestone is being addressed

• Work with PO
WINNING IDEAS

• Don’t go too far out of your lane!
• Be creative
• Show how feasible, novel and significant
• Science is still king!
• Showcase team
• Trajectory of career
• Why your expertise enhances ADRD field