The Answer ALS research project is the largest coordinated scientific research project ever proposed for ALS. Nearly two dozen research entities, 1000 patients, six clinic sites

What is the purpose of this study?

To create a large repository of cells called induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSC), bio-fluid samples (blood and spinal fluid (optional)), and cell lines for ALS gene identification.

This will be combined carefully with collected measures of the pattern of the symptoms people with ALS have and how these change over time.

The large amount of data collected will serve as a foundation - the largest foundation of basic chemical, clinical, genetic and biological data ever collected in ALS history.

This will shape fundamental information about patient subgroups and their disease pathways, identify new drugable pathways, subgroup biomarkers and disease pathophysiology.