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STUDY PROTOCOL: GENETIC EPIDEMIOLOGY OF CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE (COPDGene®)

10 **I. BACKGROUND AND SIGNIFICANCE**

11 Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is the third leading cause of mortality in the
12 United States (1). COPD is a heterogeneous syndrome, with varying contributions of emphysema
13 and airway disease in each COPD subject. Genetic studies of complex diseases like COPD have
14 the potential to provide insight into the pathophysiological mechanisms of COPD susceptibility
15 and heterogeneity. A strong genetic basis for the susceptibility of smokers to develop COPD is
16 suggested by:

- 17 (1) Marked variability in the development of airflow obstruction among smokers (2)
18 (2) Clear familial clustering of COPD and COPD-related phenotypes (3) and
19 (3) Evidence of linkage for COPD-related phenotypes to specific genomic regions in families
20 with severe, early-onset COPD (4).

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22 COPD is a heterogeneous condition with variation in rates of disease progression, symptoms and
23 CT characteristics. We have previously identified CT subtypes of disease based on visual
24 scoring and found variation in progression of disease based on spirometry and CT metrics
25 (emphysema, airway disease).

26 Case-control studies have been performed for many candidate genes in COPD, but the results
27 have been inconsistent (5). Recent progress in single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP)
28 genotyping and DNA sequencing allows for association studies on a genome-wide scale;
29 however, the multiple statistical tests involved in genome-wide association (GWA) studies of
30 hundreds of thousands of SNPs raise challenges in separating true from false positive
31 associations (6). In addition, genetic association studies within a single racial/ethnic group may
32 not generalize to other populations.

33 To address the multiple testing and generalizability problems of GWA studies, we propose to
34 perform a comprehensive GWA and DNA sequencing study to identify genes influencing COPD
35 in two major racial/ethnic groups (non-Hispanic Whites and African Americans). Our primary
36 hypotheses are:

- 37 (1) Precise characterization of COPD subjects using computed tomography – as well as
38 clinical and physiological measures assessed longitudinally – will provide insight that will
39 enable the broad COPD syndrome to be decomposed into clinically significant subtypes.

- 40 (2) Genome-wide association and DNA sequencing studies will identify genetic determinants
41 for COPD susceptibility that will provide insight into clinically relevant COPD subtypes.
- 42 (3) Distinct genetic determinants influence the development of emphysema and airway
43 disease.

44 **COPDGene Phase 3**

45 COPDGene has been funded for an additional five years by the US National Heart, Lung, and
46 Blood Institute as well as the COPD Foundation. In addition to the cross-sectional subject data
47 collected in the baseline and five year follow up COPDGene study visits, disease progression
48 and incidence of COPD in smokers are important additional endpoints for genetic association
49 studies. In Phase 1, we have completed enrollment of 10,371 subjects. In Phase 2, we have
50 completed 5,835 return visits and an additional 574 other follow up methods. For Phase 3, we
51 now propose to invite these subjects to return for a third evaluation ten years after their initial
52 visit to assess disease incidence and/or progression in COPDGene subjects.

53 **II. SPECIFIC AIMS**

54 The current specific aims for Phase 3 of COPDGene are included in this section.

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56 **Specific Aim 1: Disease Progression**

57 All subjects who return for a 10-year visit and those who expire between the 5 and 10-year visits
58 will be analyzed to confirm prognostication of clinical disease progression. We estimate that
59 6,500 subjects will be analyzed in this aim; 4,500 subjects who return for a 10-year visit and
60 2,000 who expire before that visit.

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62 **Specific Aim 2: Mortality and Incident Disease**

63 All 10,371 subjects enrolled in Phase 1 will be included to identify genetic, transcriptomic, and
64 proteomic determinants of susceptibility and progression of specific COPD subtypes. All these
65 subjects have had an initial visit but may or may not have visits at 5 and 10 years.
66 Through the longitudinal follow-up (LFU) program conducted twice a year since the initial visit,
67 we have obtained follow-up data from 82.3% of the original 10,371 subject cohort by a
68 combination of telephony, web survey or coordinator calls. We will continue LFU on all of the
69 original 10,371 subjects who are alive. All subjects will continue to be followed to assess vital
70 status. We will perform death searches at least yearly to identify subjects that have expired.
71 Death certificates, medical records and informant interviews will be obtained to determine cause
72 of death.

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74 **Specific Aim 3: Rapid Disease Progression Subtypes (Short Term Follow-up Study)**

75 To test high-risk subtypes for rapid COPD progression, approximately 800 subjects from the full
76 COPDGene cohort will participate. These subjects will be invited back for a Short Term Follow
77 up Study visit approximately one year after the Phase 3 visit.

78 Subjects participating in the Short-Term Follow-Up study will be identified by the Data
79 Coordinating Center and a list will be provided to each participating clinical center.

80 III. SUBJECT SELECTION- Phase 3

81 In summary, Phase 3 is the 10-year and 11-year (short-term follow up for applicable subjects)
82 return visit. Phase 3 is also the 5-year return visit for Non-Smokers enrolled in Phase 2.

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84 All subjects to be studied have been enrolled in the Genetic Epidemiology of COPD Study
85 (COPDGene) in previous phases. As part of their original informed consent for COPDGene and
86 subsequent consent at the 5-year follow-up visit, subjects have provided consent to be re-
87 contacted for periodic follow-up and for other studies.

88 This project will invite all 10,371 subjects who are alive and still in the study who successfully
89 completed a Phase 1 visit for a Phase 3 study visit. At the time of writing this protocol, there are
90 1,573 deceased subjects. All non-smokers enrolled in Phase 2 will also be eligible to return for a
91 visit 5 years (\pm 6 month) after their first visit, in total 349 new non-smokers were enrolled in
92 Phase 2. This is a total of 10,720 subjects in the cohort. Phase 3 will be scheduled 10 years (\pm 6
93 months) after Phase 1 or 5 years (\pm 6 month) after Phase 2 (for new subjects enrolled in Phase 2).
94 There must be at least 3 years in between the Phase 2 and Phase 3 visits. Visits later than the
95 scheduled return visit *are* permitted. The Short-Term Follow-Up Study for rapid progressors
96 will occur approximately one year after the subject participates in the Phase 3 study.

97 A key component of the project is to establish contact with all of the previously enrolled subjects
98 who remain in the study or confirm the subjects are deceased. Clinical centers will utilize locally
99 stored contact information including secondary contacts to establish contact.

100 Eligible subjects will be contacted mail, email and/or phone and invited to participate in Phase 3
101 at the Clinical Centers. The study protocol visit will be discussed in detail during an initial
102 screening encounter. Subjects will also be asked pre-screening questions to determine if they are
103 eligible to return at that time. All subjects who participated in Phase 1-Visit 1 are eligible to
104 return for Phase 3; however, there are some temporary visit exclusions, which are described later
105 in this section. Before the study visit or any study-related procedures begin, written or verbal
106 informed consent will be obtained by one of the research study staff members. A physician
107 investigator from the Clinical Center will be available to answer any questions during the
108 informed consent process.

109 A summary of the visit procedures previously conducted in Phase 1 and Phase 2 are attached to
110 this protocol as Appendix A (Phase 1) and Appendix B (Phase 2).

111 **Subject Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria – Phase 3 Return Visit**

112 Inclusion Criteria

113 Previously enrolled in COPDGene and meeting initial eligibility criteria at Visit 1.

114 Temporary Exclusion Criteria

115 Subjects that meet the following will be temporarily excluded but may be rescheduled at a
116 later time:

- 117 1. Pregnancy or suspected pregnancy. (These subjects will be re-scheduled for a visit at
118 least three months after childbirth or after they are no longer suspected of
119 pregnancy.)
- 120 2. Use of antibiotics for a respiratory infection within the past month. (These subjects
121 will be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after completion of the antibiotics.)
- 122 3. Use of systemic corticosteroids (new prescription or increased dose) for a respiratory
123 disorder within the past month. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least
124 4 weeks after completion of the steroids.)
- 125 4. Chest or abdominal surgery in the past three months. (These subjects will be
126 rescheduled for a visit at least three months after surgery.) (Does not apply to
127 screening exclusions for the Phase 3 virtual visit.)
- 128 5. Heart attack in the last three months. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit
129 at least three months after the heart attack.) (Does not apply to screening exclusions
130 for the Phase 3 virtual visit.)
- 131 6. Detached retina or eye surgery in the past three months. (These subjects will be re-
132 scheduled for a visit at least three months after surgery.) (Does not apply to
133 screening exclusions for the Phase 3 virtual visit.)
- 134 7. Hospitalization for any other heart problem in the past month. (These subjects will
135 be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after hospital discharge.) (Does not apply
136 to screening exclusions for the Phase 3 virtual visit.)

137 Subjects with lung transplants will be excluded from having a follow-up chest CT scan;
138 however, they will be invited back to complete all other portions of the visit.

139 **Rationale:** All previously enrolled subjects from COPDGene are eligible for the study. Previous
140 exclusions for lung cancer and other conditions are not a reason to exclude subjects from follow-
141 up evaluation because these are outcomes to be assessed.

142 We will temporarily exclude patients with recent use of antibiotics and/or systemic steroids for a
143 COPD exacerbation since such subjects may have an ongoing inflammatory pulmonary process
144 related to an infection that will impair our ability to characterize and phenotype patients in their
145 usual stable state.

146 We will temporarily exclude subjects who have contraindications to spirometry (exclusion
147 criteria 4 – 7 above).

148 Subjects with temporary exclusion criteria will be re-screened at a later date when they can be
149 enrolled in Phase 3. The Administrative Core should be contacted regarding subjects who
150 cannot complete all components of the study visit due to temporary exclusions or other medical
151 conditions. The local Clinical Center Director will determine which portions of a study visit can
152 be completed. Those modifications will be considered if the subject is unlikely to be able to
153 return at a later date for the study visit or unlikely to resolve medical issues that limit
154 participation.

155 **New Non-Smoker Controls**

156 To reach our Phase 1 goal of up to 12,000 subjects, we plan to enroll up to an additional 1,000
157 subjects in Phase 3, if funding is obtained. We will target enrollment of additional non-smokers
158 without lung disease. By providing insight into the normal effects of aging in healthy subjects,
159 these subjects will allow us to correctly interpret the chest CT scans, lung function, health status
160 and other features of our current cohort. For example, aging is associated with loss of lung
161 elasticity, a characteristic feature of emphysema. Without knowledge of the effects of age,
162 gender and race on the lungs of healthy subjects, we cannot accurately determine whether CT
163 scans of subjects with a smoking history are normal or abnormal, or assess disease severity.

164 **Subject Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria for Non-smoker Controls**

165 Inclusion Criteria

- 166 Age 45-85 years
- 167 Non-Hispanic Whites and African Americans
- 168 No smoking history as defined by less than 100 cigarettes smoked in a lifetime, less than
169 52 cigars smoked in a lifetime, and less than 12 oz. of pipe tobacco smoked in a lifetime

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171 Exclusion Criteria

- 172 Respiratory disorders (including, but not limited to, COPD, asthma, bronchiectasis, cystic
173 fibrosis, or interstitial lung disease)
- 174 Any lung surgery
- 175 Lung cancer
- 176 History of Pneumothorax
- 177 Pleural procedure (including, but not limited to, chest tube placement, pleural surgery)
- 178 History of any pulmonary procedures: diagnostic bronchoscopy, lung biopsy, except
179 research bronchoscopy
- 180 Uncontrolled cancer, as defined as ongoing radiation therapy, ongoing chemotherapy,
181 narcotics for pain control, or known metastatic disease
- 182 History of radiation therapy to the chest (other than radiation for breast cancer)
- 183 Subjects receiving treatment for active TB
- 184 Severe cirrhosis
- 185 Renal disease requiring dialysis
- 186 Pulmonary Hypertension
- 187 Congestive heart failure
- 188 Inability to use albuterol
- 189 First or second- degree relative (parent, brother, sister, daughter, son, aunt, uncle, nephew,
190 niece, half-sibling, grandparent, grandchild) of a subject enrolled in COPDGene
- 191 Subjects who indicate they are in more than one racial category
- 192 Subjects who do not authorize the storage of personal identifiers (social security number,
193 name, address, phone number) in the COPDGene Data Coordinating Center
- 194 Metal objects that may interfere with chest CT quantification including presence of a
195 cardiac pacemaker, defibrillator, metal prosthetic heart valve, metal projectile or metal
196 weapon fragment (bullet, shrapnel, shotgun shot) or metal shoulder prosthesis
- 197 Participation in the following studies: COPDGene Phase 1, ECLIPSE, Boston Early-Onset
198 COPD Study, Boston COPD Exacerbations Study, Denver Genetics Study,
199 GlaxoSmithKline International COPD Genetics Network, NCI: National Lung
200 Screening Trial, NIH: COPD Clinical Research Network: Macrolide and Leukotriene
201 Trials, NIH: Long-Term Oxygen Therapy Trial, NIH: Lung Health Study, NIH: Lung

202 Tissue Research Consortium, NIH: SPIROMICS, Pittsburgh SCCOR, MESA, MESA-
203 Lung and CARDIA
204 Inability to provide personal telephone contact number(s) and complete information for
205 two additional contacts (next of kin, relative or close friend, not living with subject)
206 No place of permanent residence for the prior three months
207 Alpha-1 Antitrypsin deficiency
208 Regular use of an inhaled medication
209 Regular marijuana use (more than once per week)
210 HIV Positive
211 History of transplant of any organ
212 Active drug or alcohol dependence
213 History of employment in underground mining
214 Body mass index greater than 35
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216 Temporary Exclusion Criteria

- 217 Subjects that meet the following may not have a study visit performed but may be re-
218 screened at a later time.
- 219 1. Pregnancy or suspected pregnancy. (These subjects will be re-scheduled for a visit at
220 least three months after childbirth or after they are no longer suspected of
221 pregnancy.)
 - 222 2. Use of antibiotics for a respiratory infection within the past month. (These subjects
223 will be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after completion of the antibiotics.)
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225 disorder within the past month. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least
226 4 weeks after completion of the steroids.)
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234 scheduled for a visit at least three months after surgery.) (Does not apply to
235 screening exclusions for the Phase 3 virtual visit.)
 - 236 7. Hospitalization for any other heart problem in the past month. (These subjects will
237 be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after hospital discharge.) (Does not apply
238 to screening exclusions for the Phase 3 virtual visit.)
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240 **IV. SUBJECT ENROLLMENT- Phase 3**

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242 The below table summarizes each phase of COPDGene.

Phase 1- COMPLETED	Phase 2- COMPLETED	Phase 3a- current project	Phase 3b- Short Term Follow Up -current project	Phase 3 Modified COVID-19
<p><i>Visit 1 for all subjects</i></p> <p><i>n=10,371 enrolled</i></p>	<p><i>Phase 1 subjects followed up in Phase 2</i></p> <p><i>n=6,409</i></p>	<p>Will invite all subjects alive and still in the study from Phase 1 back for Phase 3</p>	<p>Select group of up to 800 subjects characterized as <i>rapid progressors</i> from analysis of the Phase 2 data will be invited for a Short –Term Follow-Up study to occur approximately 1 year after the subject is due/returns for their Phase 3 (Phase 3a) study visit.</p>	<p>Will invite all subjects alive, still in the study from Phase 1, and have not yet completed a Phase 3 visit for a virtual visit over the phone to answer some of the questionnaires. Later, those subjects will be brought on-site to complete in-person portion of the visit.</p> <p>All subjects will be invited to provide updated information and medical records through a new questionnaire about respiratory illnesses</p>

	<i>New Non-smoking Subjects enrolled</i> <i>n=349</i>	All 349 nonsmokers enrolled in Phase 2 will be invited back for Visit 2 (5 year follow up)		and COVID associated illnesses or abnormal test results.
		New Nonsmokers will be recruited		

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244 All subjects previously enrolled in Phase 1 have provided consent with their initial study
245 enrollment to be contacted again for further research studies. Subjects will be sent an invitation
246 letter advising them that funding has been provided for the Phase 3 visit and informing them that
247 they will be contacted to schedule an appointment. Information learned from previous phases of
248 COPDGene will be included in this initial contact.

249 A telephone call will be made to each subject to schedule a date for his/her next study visit and
250 ask them to bring the following to the study visit:

- 251 1) all of their current oral and inhaled medications,
- 252 2) names of any injectable study medications received on a regular basis,
- 253 3) social security number,
- 254 4) name, address, and phone number of their personal physician,
- 255 5) name, address, and phone of two other individuals likely to know the subject's
256 whereabouts, at least one of whom is a relative not living with the subject, and
- 257 6) driver's license or other identification to assure they are the individual previously
258 enrolled.

259 For the virtual phone visit, a phone call will be made to each subject to schedule a time when
260 they can complete the questionnaires over the phone. During this scheduling call, the participant
261 will be asked to assemble their contact information (email, other phone numbers) if they need to
262 look it up.

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264 The pre-eligibility questions will be asked upon scheduling to confirm that the subject is eligible
265 for a visit at that time.

266 At the Phase 3 study visit, study staff will review the informed consent form and study
267 procedures with the subject. For the modified visit due to COVID-19, the coordinator will read a
268 consent script to the participant before beginning to administer the questionnaires. At the in-
269 person portion of the modified visit, the study staff will review the informed consent form as in a
270 regular visit. The subjects will have the opportunity to review the study documents in private,
271 have questions answered and sign the informed consent. If necessary, subjects may review the
272 informed consent with family members or their physicians. A separate HIPAA or combined
273 consent and HIPAA will be reviewed and signed at the same time. Although subjects have
274 signed a HIPAA in Phase 1 and Phase 2, a current authorization will be obtained to meet the

275 requirements of hospitals and health care providers. Phase 3 data collection includes transfer of
276 subject identifiers to the Data Coordinating Center (DCC).

277 Final eligibility will be confirmed prior to conducting the study visit.

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279 **V. PHASE 3 STUDY PROCEDURES**

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281 Similar to previous COPDGene visits, for the Phase 3 study there will be one to two visits for the
282 majority of subjects depending on whether a separate visit is needed to schedule a chest CT scan
283 or other study procedures. In some cases, subjects may have a third visit to re-collect information
284 that does not meet quality control criteria. For example, if spirometry does not meet quality
285 control criteria as judged by the Pulmonary Function Core, the subject may be contacted by
286 phone to schedule an additional visit to repeat the test. The below table describes all procedures
287 for the Phase 3 Return Subjects and Phase 3 New Nonsmokers, as well as the Phase 3 Short
288 Term Follow Up visits and the Phase 3 modified visit due to COVID-19.

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290 Non-smoker controls enrolled during the Phase 3 study will be assessed for eligibility using the
291 inclusion and exclusion criteria listed previously (Section III) for the new non-smoker controls.

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293 **Table of Visit Procedures**

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Procedure <i>*forms are different for new nonsmokers</i>	Phase 3a Visit- Return Subjects and New Nonsmokers	Phase 3b- Short Term Follow Up or post-COVID Follow-up	Phase 3 Modified- Virtual	Phase 3 Modified- In-Person
Eligibility*	X	X	X	X
Informed Consent/HIPAA	X	X	X	X
Confirmation of Final Eligibility	X	X	X	X
Medical Record Release Authorization	X	X		X
Subject Personal Information	X	X	X	
Demographics Form	X	X		X
Safety Assessment	X	X		X
Medical History*	X	X	X	
Medication History	X	X		X
Pre- and post- bronchodilator spirometry with albuterol	X	X		X

Procedure <i>*forms are different for new nonsmokers</i>	Phase 3a Visit-Return Subjects and New Nonsmokers	Phase 3b-Short Term Follow Up or post-COVID Follow-up	Phase 3 Modified-Virtual	Phase 3 Modified-In-Person
DLco	X	X		X
Respiratory Disease Questionnaire*	X	X	X	
Modified Respiratory Disease Questionnaire				X
Six Minute Walk Test	X	X		X
CAPTURE Questionnaire	X		X	
SF- 36 Questionnaire	X	X	X	
St. George's Respiratory Questionnaire (SGRQ)	X	X	X	
COPD Assessment Test (CAT)	X	X	X	
HADS	X	X		X
Cognitive Screen Items	X			X
Socioeconomic Questionnaire*	X		X	
PROactive Physical Activity Questionnaire	X	X	X	
Duke Activity Status Index (DASI)	X	X	X	
eCigarette Questionnaire	X	X	X	
Cannabis Questionnaire	X		X	
Optimism Questionnaire	X		X	
Residential and Occupational History*	X		X	
PTOA	X		X	
Blood Sample Collection	X	X		X

Procedure <i>*forms are different for new nonsmokers</i>	Phase 3a Visit-Return Subjects and New Nonsmokers	Phase 3b-Short Term Follow Up or post-COVID Follow-up	Phase 3 Modified-Virtual	Phase 3 Modified-In-Person
Sit to Stand Test	X	X		X
Hand Grip Strength	X	X		X
Food Frequency Questionnaire	X			X
CT Scan	X	X		X
COVID Questionnaire			X	
Dried Blood Spot			X	

295 During the Phase 3 research study visit, the following procedures will be performed (for return
 296 subjects and new non-smokers):

297 1. Informed consent and HIPAA authorization will be obtained prior to any other study
 298 procedure. An updated authorization to obtain medical records to adjudicate the cause of
 299 death will be obtained. Subjects will be asked to provide a signed release of medical
 300 records to be used in the event of their death, to obtain an interview with a next of kin,
 301 secondary contact, or personal representative and with the treating physician. Hospital and
 302 physician records, related to the events and illnesses associated with a participant’s death,
 303 will also be obtained through the signed release of medical records. Subjects will be
 304 provided a memo to give to their physician(s) for this purpose.

305 a. Medical records related to respiratory illnesses or COVID-19 associated
 306 illnesses/abnormal test results will be requested from the subjects. Subjects will
 307 be asked to sign a medical record release or obtain records directly and provide
 308 the study with copies of those records. Records may also be obtained through
 309 Electronic Medical Records (EMR). Records that are requested will include, but
 310 not be limited to, emergency room, in-patient or out-patient hospitalization,
 311 urgent care, and physician office records as well as imaging studies.

312 2. Subjects will be asked to provide or update contact information of two secondary contacts
 313 with addresses and phone numbers, one of whom is a next of kin or personal
 314 representative, and the other a relative or close friend, not living with the subject. The
 315 purpose of this information is to locate subjects who have moved to a different home and
 316 have a different address and/or phone number and ascertain vital status of the subject. The
 317 subjects will be asked to give consent to have their participation in the COPDGene study
 318 disclosed to these secondary contacts in the event that we are unable to contact them, and
 319 also disclosed to their next of kin, personal representative or family members in the event
 320 of their death. Subjects will be provided a memo to give to their secondary contacts for this
 321 purpose.

322 3. Prior to any other evaluations, a final eligibility screening form will be administered. A
 323 Safety Assessment will be completed to determine if potential subjects have a condition

324 that would require deferring their study visit. They will be asked if they have a history of
325 adverse events with the use of albuterol prior to administration of this inhaled
326 bronchodilator. This safety assessment will also be used to ascertain potential cardiac
327 disorders prior to albuterol administration, the walk test and the sit to stand test. If the
328 questionnaire uncovers known or potential adverse effects of albuterol or potential cardiac
329 disorders, a study physician will evaluate the subject to determine if it is safe to administer
330 albuterol and perform a six-minute walk test and/or sit to stand test.

331 4. Updated contact information will be collected from the subjects. Name, home address
332 (mailing address and physical address if different), home phone number, cell phone, email
333 address, date of birth and social security number will be collected or verified from the
334 subject. The purpose of collecting this information is to maintain contact with the subjects
335 twice a year and inform the subjects of other research studies and potential future
336 COPDGene follow-up visits pending future funding, and to identify impacts of pollution
337 and other location factors on disease severity and progression. In order to perform central
338 collection of mortality and cause of death, this information will be securely transmitted to
339 the Data Coordinating Center at National Jewish Health, where it will be stored separately
340 from the clinical, physiological, imaging, and genetic data. The transmittal of subjects'
341 personal information to the DCC will be used for central subject tracking, longitudinal
342 follow-up, death searching through the Social Security Death Master File (SSDMF) and/or
343 National Death Index (NDI), and to obtain cost and utilization information from the
344 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

345 5. Physical Assessment will be performed on all subjects: A limited assessment will be
346 performed including height, weight, arm span, waist circumference, blood pressure, heart
347 rate, and room air oxygen saturation by pulse oximetry with the subject seated at rest.
348 Blood pressure will be measured three times with the subject seated and resting for at least
349 five minutes. In subjects using supplemental oxygen, the oxygen will be withheld, and
350 subjects will breathe room air for 10 minutes prior to *recording* oxygen saturation. If
351 resting oxygen saturation falls below 82% or the subject becomes dyspneic prior to 10
352 minutes without oxygen, oxygen therapy will be restarted as a safety precaution. If heart
353 rate is less than 50 or greater than 120 or if the blood pressure is greater than 170/110, a
354 study physician will evaluate the subject to determine if it is safe to administer albuterol
355 and perform the walk test and sit to stand test. Approval to defer or continue will be
356 documented on the Safety Assessment form.

357 6. Pre- and post-bronchodilator spirometry will be performed on all subjects. The maneuvers
358 are performed according to American Thoracic Society standards. To obtain 3 acceptable
359 measures, the technician may ask the subject to perform up to 8 attempts. Spirometry is
360 performed before and then repeated approximately twenty minutes following the
361 administration of two puffs (180 mcg) of albuterol from a metered dose inhaler with a
362 spacer. Spirometry will ideally be performed with the subject in a seated position with a
363 nose clip in place. These results will be provided to the subject, subjects will be asked to
364 consent if they would like a copy of their test result sent to their primary care provider.

365 7. Diffusing capacity will be measured on all subjects after post-bronchodilator spirometry.
366 The test will be performed according to American Thoracic Society/European Respiratory
367 Society standards (8). In subjects using supplemental oxygen, oxygen will be removed, and
368 subjects will breathe room air for 10 minutes prior to the test. If resting saturation falls
369 below 82% or the subject becomes dyspneic prior to 10 minutes without oxygen, oxygen

370 therapy will be restarted as a safety precaution and the test will be performed without the
371 ten-minute oxygen washout. To obtain 2 reproducible measures, the test may be repeated
372 up to 5 times.

373 8. Standardized questionnaires will be completed by all subjects to assess respiratory
374 symptoms, smoking history, and other medical history. These questionnaires include the
375 St. George's Respiratory Questionnaire to assess health-related quality of life, the Medical
376 Outcomes SF-36 to assess generic quality of life, a COPD screening questionnaire
377 (CAPTURE) (32), the COPD Assessment Test (CAT) to assess COPD severity, and the
378 PROactive (33) and Duke Activity Status Index (DASI) (34) questionnaires to assess
379 physical activity. Questionnaires will be administered to obtain information about
380 respiratory history, medical history, anxiety and depression (Hospital Anxiety and
381 Depression Scale- HADS) (9). If data from the HADS are felt to be clinically significant,
382 they will be sent to the subject's primary care provider. Questions will be asked about
383 menstrual & post-menopausal history in women, oxygen use, and current/previous
384 residential and work history (Residential/Occupational Questionnaire) to ascertain
385 potential air pollution and environmental exposures. Subjects will be asked about access to
386 regular medical care, access to health insurance and attitudes about medical care for their
387 lung disease (Socioeconomic Questionnaire) to determine the impact of these factors on
388 lung disease and exacerbations. An e-Cigarette and a cannabis use questionnaire will also
389 be administered to assess amount of e-Cigarette/vaping/cannabis use and attitudes. Some
390 cognitive testing questions will also be asked of the subject and the Mini-Cog test (31) will
391 be administered. The Mini-Cog includes a 3-word recognition test and a clock drawing.
392 The Mini-Cog clock drawing will be labeled with the subject ID and uploaded to the
393 Administrative Core for adjudication review of the coordinator scoring. Optimism has
394 been associated with longevity and cardiovascular health; prior studies have suggested that
395 optimism is associated with slowed lung function decline and decreased mortality from
396 chronic respiratory disease, even after adjustment for lifestyle choices and cigarette
397 smoking (35). There is little understanding of the biological mechanisms that may drive
398 the association between optimism and respiratory outcomes. The addition of the Optimism
399 Questionnaire adds six questions to the COPDGene Phase 3 study protocol will allow us to
400 study both the epidemiologic and biologic associations between optimism and outcomes in
401 smokers with and without COPD. The Post-Traumatic Osteoarthritis questionnaire asks
402 patients questions about knee arthritis. The additional Pandemic Questionnaire is directed
403 at assessing the impact of COVID-19 on disease progression and also on the overall impact
404 of the pandemic on the subjects with chronic disease and smoking exposure.

405 Each patient will be asked to bring in all of their current medications in their original
406 bottles. A list of current medications will be made at the local clinical center. Information
407 collected transmitted to the Data Coordinating Center with the subject's study ID number.

408 A clinical coordinator will administer the questionnaires. The results will be entered
409 directly into the computer or recorded on paper forms to be input later. Subjects may also
410 have the option to complete some of the questionnaires on a computer or tablet.
411 Completion of all questionnaires is expected to take between 90 and 120 minutes.

412 If a participant is found to have cancer, determined by the Medical History Questionnaire,
413 the subject may be contacted to provide medical records to aid the site in completing a
414 Cancer Data Collection Questionnaire to collect additional data on the cancer diagnosis.
415 In the future, the subject may be invited to sign a tissue release addendum in order to

416 provide formalin fixed paraffin embedded (FFPE) tissue blocks if there was a cancer
417 diagnosis or lung tissue removed.

418 If a participant is found to have had any illness that was diagnosed or suspected to be due
419 to COVID-19, or any similar respiratory illness, the subject may be contacted to provide
420 medical records concerning that illness, the subject may sign a medical records release
421 form, or the records may be obtained in EMR.

422 9. After the visit, each subject will be given a Food Frequency Questionnaire (FFQ) to
423 complete at their convenience. A growing body of literature has linked diet with risk for
424 COPD in smokers (37). However, few studies have addressed the association of additional
425 COPD-related phenotypes such as emphysema in relation to diet. The Food Frequency
426 Questionnaire (FFQ) has been extensively validated (38, 39, 40) in large cohort studies
427 and will provide new information about links between diet and COPD progression,
428 severity, and subtypes. The FFQ is 4 pages long. Each participant will receive the
429 questionnaire, questionnaire instructions, a stamped envelope addressed to the Channing
430 Division of Network Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital, and a #2 pencil in a
431 postage paid addressed envelope. The subject has the option to complete the FFQ at the
432 end of the visit or to complete it at home and send it back in the mail. The instructions for
433 the FFQ will be provided on a cover letter that will instruct the subject on proper
434 completion of the questionnaire and also tell them not to write their name or any other
435 identifying information on the questionnaire or return envelope. Each questionnaire will
436 have the subject ID already listed on it before being provided.

437 10. Blood will be drawn from all subjects for DNA (genetic and epigenetic studies), serum
438 and plasma (for measurement of other proteins potentially related to COPD and other
439 diseases) and a CBC (complete blood count). A total volume of up to 50 ml of blood will
440 be drawn for this study. A complete blood count will be performed at the Clinical Centers.
441 The rest of the blood samples will be stored at the COPDGene Biological Repository at
442 Brigham and Women's Hospital. Blood count results will be sent to the subject. If results
443 from the blood counts are felt to be clinically significant, they will also be sent to the
444 subject's primary care provider. Subjects without clinically significant results will be
445 asked to consent if they would like their blood count results sent to their primary care
446 physician. We will ask the subject what time of day they last ate and/or drink anything
447 other than water; including candy/chewing gum, and collect this information.

448 A dried blood spot kit will be sent to the participants who have agreed to provide a blood
449 sample. The kit will include an alcohol swab, lancets, sample collection card, card sleeve,
450 band-aid, instructions, return envelope, and a copy of the informed consent.

451 Subsequent blood spot kits will be sent to participants who have had an inconclusive result
452 on their previous antibody test(s) or lost/damaged the kit. Blood spot kit(s) will be sent to
453 participants to survey for COVID antibodies at up to 12-month intervals when COVID
454 remains in an epidemic status and extend into antibody surveys at up to 12-month
455 intervals during the first five years of endemic circulation of COVID.

456 11. Six-Minute Walk Test will be performed in a standardized manner on all subjects to
457 determine exercise capacity (11). Subjects will be asked questions to assure they do not
458 have significant or occult heart disease prior to the test to assure subject safety. Subjects
459 who have significant cardiovascular disease may require evaluation by the local physician

460 investigator prior to six-minute walk test. Immediately after and one minute after the end
461 of the six-minute walk test, a subject's heart rate and oxygen saturation will be measured
462 using a pulse oximeter. Subjects who use > 6 L/min oxygen flow with activity will not
463 perform the Six- Minute Walk Test.

464 12. Chest CT Scans will be performed to assess emphysema and airway disease in all subjects.
465 An inspiratory chest CT scan will be performed using a reduced dose protocol that utilizes
466 dose modulation. Dose modulation automatically adjusts x-ray exposure for each patient to
467 achieve a consistent level of image quality. The reference mAs for this scan will be set
468 such that an average sized subject (~75 kg) with a normal build would receive an x-ray
469 exposure (CTDIvol) of 3.0 mGy (corresponding roughly to an effective dose of 1.5mSv).
470 X-ray exposure will automatically be adjusted higher or lower for larger or smaller
471 subjects. The maximum exposure for the dose modulation acquisition will be set at 3.0
472 mSv. The scans will be processed using filtered back projection and (where feasible)
473 iterative reconstruction. An expiratory CT acquisition will be performed using a fixed x-
474 ray tube current of 50 mAs to assess for air trapping.

475 Results of the CT scan will be provided to the subject. Subjects will be asked to consent if
476 they would like their results sent to their primary care physician. If any clinically
477 significant findings are found on the CT scan, they will be automatically sent to the
478 primary care provider.

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480 If the chest CT scans are done on the same day as the post-bronchodilator spirometry, the
481 scan should be scheduled as soon as possible after albuterol. The time and date of the last
482 bronchodilator medication use prior to the CT scan will be captured. CT scans will be
483 electronically transmitted to the Imaging Core at National Jewish Health by secure FTP
484 site.

485 13. The 30 second sit to stand test will be performed. The purpose is to test leg strength and
486 endurance. Blood pressure and heart rate will be checked prior to performing the test.
487 Contraindications would be patients at high fall risk specifically amputees without
488 prosthesis, individuals who need an assistive device for ambulation, subjects with a short
489 term lower extremity impairment, and patients who have had previous stroke with
490 significant residual deficits in balance or proprioception. The subject will sit in a chair with
491 hands placed on the opposite shoulders and crossed at the wrists, then will rise to a full
492 standing position and then sit back down again, repeating the maneuver as many times as
493 possible within 30 sections. The number of times the subject comes to a full standing
494 position is recorded.

495 14. In ever-smokers with COPD, hand grip strength is associated with computed tomography
496 markers of body composition and airway thickness, independent of body mass index and
497 emphysema. Higher hand grip strength is associated with lower exacerbation frequency
498 (36). Functional testing for hand grip strength measurements will be done using a Jamar
499 dynamometer. Subjects will be asked to squeeze the device with their dominant hand and
500 repeat the maneuver for a total of three measurements.

501 15. A urine pregnancy test will be performed on all pre-menopausal women prior to the CT
502 scan to confirm that they are not pregnant.

503 16. Medical Record Review: medical records may be reviewed when available and with a
504 signed release of records form documenting the subject's permission to obtain information

505 about lung diseases, cancer, other medical conditions, and to determine cause of death, in
506 the event of death.

507 17. If during the LFU call the participant answers that they had a COVID-19 diagnosis or
508 illness, the coordinator will call the participant to consent for and administer the short-
509 version COVID Questionnaire. If the phone consent is not possible, the coordinator will
510 send the LFU contact letter and the participant will call the coordinator to administer the
511 short-version COVID Questionnaire.

512 **Home Visit**

513 Previously enrolled COPDGene subjects who are unable to come to a COPDGene Clinical
514 Center to complete the Phase 3 visit due to illness, disease progression, or inability to be
515 transported to the Clinical Center, will be given the option of having a research coordinator
516 complete a partial study visit at the subject's place of residence.

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518 If a COPDGene home visit is performed, it will include Home Visit Informed Consent and
519 HIPAA administration, pre and post-bronchodilator spirometry, blood draw, hand-grip strength,
520 sit-to-stand test, and completion of all study questionnaires and procedures, *except* the six-minute
521 walk, diffusing capacity, and CT scan.

522 **VI. OTHER PHASE 3 STUDY PROCEDURES**

523 **COVID-19 Adaptation**

524 During the COVID-19 pandemic, COPDGene will allow study sites to stop in-person visits to
525 protect both the subjects and staff. During this time, increased contact with the subject will occur
526 to track COVID-19-related illness. This will be tracked using a brief questionnaire that the
527 subject can choose to answer over the phone with a coordinator, through email, or if the site is
528 allowing in-person visits to occur, then the subject can answer the questionnaire at the time of
529 the visit. The participant will be mailed a dried blood spot kit that will allow them to prick their
530 finger for a blood sample and send that sample back to determine if they have formed antibodies
531 to COVID-19; if the participant is on site for their visit at the time the finger-prick is due, then
532 they may opt for the coordinator or a nurse to assist. Subsequent blood spot kits will be sent to
533 participants who have had an inconclusive result on their previous antibody test(s). Blood spot
534 kit(s) will be sent to participants to survey for covid antibodies at up to 12-month intervals when
535 COVID remains in an epidemic status and extend into antibody surveys at up to 12-month
536 intervals during the first five years of endemic circulation of COVID.

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538 The subject will consent to this increased contact, the collection of blood, and COVID-19
539 medical records release at the time of consent for the modified visits for the Phase 3 Virtual visit
540 and/ or (for those not scheduled for a phase 3 visit) a separate contact for COVID-19 tracking
541 survey. Type of consent for the COVID-19 portion of Phase 3 may be obtained using a written
542 consent in person or through mail, or a verbal consent over the phone. The Phase 3b visits will be
543 modified to include subjects who experienced a respiratory exacerbation reported on the patient's
544 surveys will be included in the 3b visits as a group potentially at risk for rapid progression. These

545 subjects will be identified by the DCC and the centers will be asked to invite the subjects to
546 return for a phase 3b visit.

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548 If during the LFU call the participant answers that they had a COVID-19 diagnosis or illness, the
549 coordinator will call the participant to consent for and administer the short-version COVID
550 Questionnaire. If the phone consent is not possible, the coordinator will send the LFU contact
551 letter and the participant will call the coordinator to administer the short-version COVID
552 Questionnaire.

553 **Mail Consent**

554 Prior to the Phase 3 return visit, subjects who were not seen in Phase 2 may be contacted by the
555 Clinical Center via mail to request additional consent and authorization. This additional consent
556 and authorization will request that the subject allow transfer of identifiers from the Clinical
557 Center to the Data Coordinating Center at National Jewish Health. This Mail Authorization
558 provides permission for the Clinical Center to transmit the subject's personal information (social
559 security number, address, secondary contact address) to the DCC. A Personal Contact
560 Information Update form will be sent with the mail consent, asking subjects to update contact
561 information, including secondary contacts and primary care physician. Additionally, the subjects
562 will be invited to sign an "Authorization to Release Protected Health Information" medical
563 record release form.

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565 The participant will consent to the dried blood spot on the phone or by signing a mailed consent
566 form that they will send back to COPDGene Administrative Core with their dried blood spot
567 card. The COPDGene Administrative core will then send the consents to the appropriate site.
568 The mailed consent will have the SID and name of the participant; this information will remain
569 confidential.

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571 This information will be used for central subject tracking, longitudinal follow up, vital status
572 searching, and to obtain cost and utilization information on subjects from Medicare. The mail
573 consent also allows the Clinical Center to seek perimortem medical records and informant
574 interviews about the circumstances around the subject's death.

575 576 **Phase 3 Options for Subjects Who Have Difficulty with a Visit to Clinical Center**

577 In the event that a previously enrolled subject has moved away from their local Clinical Center
578 and to an area closer to another participating COPDGene Clinical Center, the subject may elect
579 to complete Phase 3 at this closer Center rather than traveling to their original Center. With the
580 subject's verbal approval by phone, their new contact information will be provided from the
581 Clinical Center where the subject had the first visit to the geographically proximate Clinical
582 Center. The subject will sign a new Informed Consent Form and HIPAA with the coordinator at
583 the new study location prior to their Phase 3 visit.

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585 In the event that a subject has financial hardship or has moved a considerable distance from their
586 local Clinical Center, the COPDGene Administrative Core may consider providing financial
587 transportation assistance to this subject for a return visit. The reimbursement for this subject's
588 return visit may include the actual reasonable cost of transportation, lodging, and meal expenses.
589 Subject must provide receipts to Clinical Center for reimbursement. Use of this approach and
590 funding for these expenses will be allocated on a case-by-case basis from the Administrative
591 Core to the Clinical Center.

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593 Subjects who are unable to come to a Clinical Center and are not willing or able to undergo a
594 home visit will be asked if they would be willing to complete study questionnaires over the
595 phone. If the subject agrees, this will be completed. The subject should be compensated \$25 for
596 their time and effort in completing the questionnaires over the phone. If the subject is not willing
597 or unable to complete study questionnaires over the phone they will be asked if they would
598 complete a Limited Follow-Up Questionnaire. The Limited Follow-Up Questionnaire will be
599 used to gather important longitudinal information on the subject related to respiratory symptoms,
600 exacerbations, and comorbidities. A research coordinator will conduct this questionnaire with
601 the subject by phone. These subjects may still participate in the bi-annual Longitudinal Follow-
602 Up program by phone or Internet.

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604 **Closed Clinical Center**

605 Due to the longitudinal nature of the study, it is important to follow health and vital status on all
606 of the COPDGene subjects. In the event that a clinical center is unable to perform follow-up
607 contacts or visits, the COPDGene Administrative Core will work as an agent for the Clinical
608 Center or provide a contract clinical research organization to manage the follow-up subject visits
609 and contacts per protocol. Some subjects have been consented in Phase 2 to allow for a member
610 of COPDGene Central Administration to contact them for follow-up and this has been tracked by
611 the DCC. The original clinical center must work with the Administrative Core to facilitate
612 efficient transfer of information and study management under the supervision of a local principal
613 investigator and with the approval of the local IRB.

614 **Longitudinal Follow-Up**

615 Subjects will continue to be contacted as they were in Phase 1 and Phase 2, up to four times per
616 year by telephone, mail, or email for up to 10 years after their Phase 3 consent. Questions will be
617 asked about current health status, exacerbations, cancer, new illnesses or medical conditions and
618 current smoking status. If lung cancer is diagnosed, a clinical coordinator may contact the subject
619 via phone or email to ask them to provide medical records to aid in the completion of a Cancer
620 Data Collection Questionnaire, to collect additional data on the lung cancer diagnosis. Subjects
621 may be contacted on no more than three additional occasions per year to inform them of other
622 research studies and to update them about results of the COPDGene study. The longitudinal
623 follow-up contact mechanism is primarily based on automated contacts to subjects via a
624 computer server controlled by the local clinical center in which the clinical center securely
625 uploads subject contact data and social security numbers to a secure server using secure sockets
626 (SSL) technology and 128 bit or greater encryption with an HTTPS protocol. Subjects establish a
627 preference for contact by email and web data entry or automated phone calls with data entry by
628 telephone keypad. Subjects can also request only coordinator-conducted surveys. Subject contact
629 information and identifying information is deleted automatically from the server after the contact
630 is made or at the end of three weeks. The longitudinal follow-up telephone process only includes
631 contacting the subjects. Data collected from all subjects are de-identified and made available to
632 the Data Coordinating Center at National Jewish for storage and analysis. Subjects who fail to
633 respond to automated contacts are contacted by the local clinical coordinator who then asks the
634 questions of the subject and inputs the information obtained into the web-based data collection
635 form. Subjects who become lost to follow-up from the longitudinal follow-up process will be
636 traced by their secondary contacts and searched for in the Social Security Death Master File or
637 National Death Index. Deaths identified from the longitudinal follow-up system are

638 communicated to the Data Coordinating Center and the local clinical center. The local clinical
639 center initiates collecting further information about the death as described below.

640 **Mortality Assessment**

641 Death is an endpoint of interest that will be analyzed as part of this protocol. The opportunity to
642 assess vital status will occur in one of several ways. It is possible that during the process of
643 longitudinal follow-up, the clinical center will be made aware of a subject's death. However,
644 some subjects will be lost to follow-up with their vital status unknown. For these subjects, staff
645 at the local clinical center or Administrative personnel at National Jewish Health (if subject
646 identifiers have been transferred) will conduct a search to determine vital status using subject's
647 stored social security numbers. This search may include a National Death Index query, Social
648 Security Death Index query and general internet search including obituary postings. Once vital
649 status has been confirmed as dead, the clinical center will obtain additional information
650 regarding the subject's death so that cause of death may be determined. This additional
651 information will include: 1) Informant Interview conducted with next of kin or other close
652 contact of the study participant or the subject's physician, 2) Death certificate, 3) Hospital
653 Discharge Summary if it is determined that the death occurred in hospital or within 3 months of a
654 hospitalization, and 4) Request for recent treating physician records if death did not occur in the
655 hospital.

656 The above records will be de-identified and transferred to the Data Coordinating Center. A
657 Mortality Adjudication Committee will review these records centrally. The data will be reviewed
658 by the Mortality Adjudication Committee and a final cause of death will be assigned.

659 **VII. BIOSTATISTICAL ANALYSIS**

660 In Phase 1, genome-wide association analysis was performed using genome-wide SNP genotypes
661 obtained in the entire COPDGene study population. In Phase 2, exome chip genotyping, and whole
662 genome sequencing data were obtained. In Phase 3, we will perform both longitudinal
663 epidemiology analysis and analysis of genetic and Omics data.
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665 For longitudinal epidemiological analysis, the primary outcomes for COPD development and
666 progression are changes in FEV₁, CT emphysema [Adjusted Lung Density (PERC15 adjusted for
667 lung volume)], functional small airway disease by PRM, and all-cause mortality. In addition to
668 the "change" variables for lung function and imaging, we will average over repeated measures
669 for each outcome to increase power. Secondary outcome measures include respiratory mortality
670 and respiratory exacerbation frequency, as well as changes in CT airway wall thickness, CT gas
671 trapping, six minute walk distance (6MWD), and health-related quality of life. Longitudinal
672 analyses will be performed with quantitative imaging phenotypes from the Phase 1, 2, and 3
673 visits. Key predictor variables to be assessed for these outcomes include age, gender, current
674 smoking status (at each visit), pack-years, baseline lung function, baseline CT emphysema and
675 airway measures, respiratory symptoms (e.g., chronic bronchitis, dyspnea), respiratory
676 medications, and co-morbid illnesses (including lung cancer and coronary artery disease).
677 Exacerbation frequency will be assessed as a predictor of primary outcome measures.
678 Transformations of CT and spirometric progression measures from among the Box-Cox family
679 of transformations will be considered to stabilize variance estimates across the ranges of CT
680 measurement values. We will compare the demographic and clinical characteristics of subjects
681 who have follow-up data to those subjects missing due to death and those subjects missing due to

682 loss to follow-up. Longitudinal analysis will be performed including time-dependent covariates
 683 such as change in current smoking status. Time-dependent covariates in these analyses include
 684 change in current smoking status and change in pulmonary medications. Disease progression and
 685 mortality will be simultaneously assessed to limit potential bias introduced by differential
 686 survival. This analytical approach considers the joint distribution of the vector of repeated
 687 measures (i.e., longitudinal progression of PFT abnormalities and CT measures) simultaneously
 688 with time to event (i.e., mortality) using the method developed by Hogan and Laird(10).
 689 The power to detect differences in 10-year changes between subtypes of COPDGen subjects
 690 was assessed for FEV₁, PERC15, adjusted lung density, and % gas trapping. These calculations
 691 used the mean and standard deviation (SD) with estimated changes in FEV₁(11), PERC15(12),
 692 adjusted lung density, and % gas trapping based on the 5-year follow-up visits. We assumed a
 693 significance level of 0.05 and equal variance of the change in each subtype group. These
 694 conservative calculations are based on comparing differences in rates of change for COPD-
 695 related phenotypes among two hypothetical groups of subjects ranging in size from 250 to 2000,
 696 which will be created from the 4500 subjects with follow-up spirometry, clinical measures, and
 697 chest CT scans in Phase 3 (**Table 2**). Using these assumptions, there is adequate power to detect
 698 differences between subtype groups with as few as 250 subjects. By 2-sided log rank test, we
 699 will have virtually 100% power to detect a 15% difference in all-cause or cause-specific
 700 mortality between the slow and fast FEV₁ decline groups in Table 2.
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Table 2: Power (%) for Longitudinal Epidemiology Analysis

Outcome	Difference Between Groups over 10 yrs	Sample Size of Each Subtype Group for Pairwise Comparisons			
		250	500	1000	2000
FEV ₁ , ml	100	97	100	100	100
	200	100	100	100	100
PERC15	4	75	96	100	100
	8	100	100	100	100
Adjusted Lung Density	2	46	75	96	100
	4	96	100	100	100
% Gas trapping	2	70	94	100	100
	3	96	100	100	100

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 703 The primary phenotypes for genetic, transcriptomic, and proteomic analysis will be each COPD
 704 subtype vs. smoking controls; the quantitative emphysema and airway disease axes; and the
 705 change in FEV₁ and adjusted lung density between the 5-year and 10-year visits. In addition, a
 706 number of secondary analyses will be performed, including: a) presence/absence of COPD
 707 (comparing subjects with GOLD 2-4 COPD to smoking controls); b) cross-sectional measures of
 708 CT emphysema, CT gas trapping, CT airway wall area, FEV₁, 6MWD, oxygen saturation,
 709 emphysema distribution, and chronic bronchitis; and c) longitudinal measures of exacerbation
 710 frequency and change in CT gas trapping, CT airway wall area, and 6MWD. Cross-sectional and
 711 longitudinal COPD-related phenotypes will be assessed within each COPD subtype and within
 712 the entire study population. Longitudinal imaging and lung function phenotypes will be assessed
 713 as both change over time (between the 5 and 10-year visits and across all three visits) and
 714 average outcomes over all three visits.
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716 Phase 2 blood RNA-Seq will be used to generate gene, exon, and isoform-level estimates of
 717 relative expression abundance. RNA-Seq data will be processed by the CDNM bioinformatics
 718 pipeline that addresses sequencing errors and other technical artifacts. Alignment to the human

719 reference genome will be performed with STAR(13), followed by multiple quantification and
720 analysis options, including DESeq2(14), DEXSeq(15), and voom/limma(16). While isoform-
721 level resolution is most reflective of underlying biology, it is technically challenging to
722 accurately infer isoform levels from short-read fragments(17), and for some applications gene or
723 exon-level quantifications may be preferable to isoform quantification(14, 15). Gene-level
724 quantification of differential expression analysis will be performed using voom/limma, which
725 accounts for the distributional aspects of RNA-Seq data through a weighted regression approach.
726 Identification of differential exon usage will be performed using a novel implementation of
727 DEXSeq adapted for large studies. These tools are all implemented in R/Bioconductor. Isoform
728 quantification and differential expression analysis will be performed using pseudoalignment-
729 based methods such as kallisto(18) and sleuth for isoform quantification and differential
730 expression, respectively. Associations of gene expression to COPD subtypes will be adjusted for
731 covariates, including complete blood count differentials. Surrogate variable analysis will be used
732 to correct for potential batch effects and to remove unwanted sources of variability.(19)

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734 For proteomics analysis, the relationships between the categorical and quantitative outcomes and
735 the predictor variables (~1310 individual plasma protein biomarkers in the SOMAScan panel)
736 are assessed using standard regression models. Covariates in these analyses include age, gender,
737 pack-years of smoking, and current smoking. To control the false discovery rate, the Benjamini-
738 Hochberg method is used to adjust the p-values. These biomarker measurements will be
739 integrated with pQTL genetic variants to improve accuracy of risk prediction.

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741 COPD-related phenotypes will be assessed with whole genome sequencing (WGS) data for
742 possible associations with both rare and common variants. In addition, for each protein and
743 transcript that shows significant differences among COPD subtypes or between cases and control
744 subjects, both *cis* (within 1 Mb) and *trans* (genome-wide) association analysis will be performed
745 using WGS data. Although we will re-evaluate analytical methods for rare variants when our
746 Omics and WGS data become available, our current primary analysis plan is to test single
747 common and rare variants using linear regression or the Firth test, and the Sequence Kernel
748 Association Test (SKAT) method(20, 21) for grouped rare variants. The SKAT framework has
749 been extended in several ways, including with SKAT-O (an optimal combination with a standard
750 burden test) and RC-SKAT which performs well for a combination of rare and common variants.
751 To control for population substructure, we will adjust all analyses using the rare-variant approach
752 based on the Jaccard similarity index for population stratification(22, 23). We will have two
753 primary analyses for *trans*-acting QTLs based on WGS data: 1) Genic regions with a fixed
754 border (i.e., 50kb from both ends of the gene), and 2) sliding windows of variable numbers of
755 SNPs across the genome(24). In addition, we will partition the genome into non-overlapping,
756 adjacent segments to be analyzed with the region-based test. Dr. Lange has developed a
757 computationally rapid method for partitioning the genome based on the haplotype structure(25).

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759 To determine power to detect genetic associations, we used simulation studies (in C) to estimate
760 the statistical power of SKAT for grouped rare variants with variable directions of effect on
761 COPD subtypes. We assumed COPD subtypes would include 25% of the affected population,
762 with 20% of all causal variants having opposite/protective effects. We assumed overall odds
763 ratios for the region of 2.25 and 2.5 for all variants combined. We used a 10kb region size, based
764 on a simulated haplotype spanning 200kb, and a genome-wide significance level (assuming a
765 Bonferroni genome-wide correction for 10kb non-overlapping windows) of 2×10^{-8} . The number
766 of tested loci will be reduced by phasing the entire genome and removing redundant variants. We

767 will further increase statistical power by performing permutation testing at the genome-level. We
 768 examined only alleles with minor allele frequency <5%. Power estimates shown in **Table 3** for
 769 non-Hispanic White (NHW) subjects are based on 1000 replicates. Statistical power for the
 770 NHW group analysis in Aim 2 will be acceptable for a rare variant analysis of genomic regions
 771 where a majority of the SNPs are true disease susceptibility loci. Power for African American
 772 (AA) subjects is above 80% for an odds ratio of 2.5.

Table 3: Power to Detect Rare Variant Associations to COPD Subtypes within the COPDGene NHW Population

Genetic Effect Size	% of Variants in Region That Are Disease Susceptibility Loci			
	20	40	60	80
Odds ratio of 2.25	24.3	43.1	68.2	82.7
Odds ratio of 2.5	32.1	58.8	84.9	95.4

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 775 We will also perform epidemiological and Omics analysis in 800 subjects from the Short-Term
 776 Follow-Up Study Population. The relationships between the outcomes of interest (FEV₁ and
 777 adjusted lung density) of each of the three high risk groups compared to the reference group will
 778 be assessed using linear mixed models. Covariates in these analyses will include risk group, visit,
 779 age, gender, pack-years of smoking, current smoking status, and baseline FEV₁ % predicted. The
 780 relationship between changes in FEV₁ and changes in adjusted lung density will be assessed by
 781 including time-varying as well as subject mean values in the model as predictors. An
 782 unstructured covariance structure (or other appropriate structure) will be used in the model to
 783 account for repeated measures. We will adjust for multiple statistical testing by requiring
 784 $p < 0.01$ to demonstrate any significant association.

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 786 The power estimates to detect differences in change in FEV₁ or adjusted lung density for the
 787 Short-Term Follow-Up Study are shown in **Table 4**. Two rapid progression groups will be tested
 788 for change in FEV₁ (High COPD Progression Score and Paraseptal Emphysema) and two rapid
 789 progression groups will be tested for change in adjusted lung density (High Risk Airway Disease
 790 Axis and Paraseptal Emphysema). Based on the five-year changes in those groups compared to
 791 non-high risk subjects, 200 subjects per group will provide excellent power to detect differences
 792 between the rapid progression and non-high risk groups over one year. Power to detect
 793 differences for RNA-Seq and proteomic biomarkers between 200 rapid progression and 200 non-
 794 rapid progression subjects was assessed. We will have 80% power to detect effect sizes > 0.6
 795 standard deviations, which will be adequate to detect useful biomarkers.

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Outcome	Rapid Progression Group	Sample Size of Each Short-Term Follow-Up Group		
		100	200	300
FEV ₁ , ml/yr	High COPD Progression Score	100	100	100
	Paraseptal Emphysema	72	95	99
Adjusted Lung Density, per yr	High Risk Airway Disease Axis	100	100	100
	Paraseptal Emphysema	100	100	100

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VIII. RISKS AND DISCOMFORTS

The only drug administered in this study is albuterol, as part of the pulmonary function testing. Two puffs of albuterol (180 mcg) are given via metered dose inhaler, with a spacer. After waiting 20 minutes, spirometry is performed. This is a one-time dose only. Albuterol is a commercially available, FDA-approved drug. The common side effects associated with albuterol are transient tachycardia, tremulousness, and nervousness.

807 Subjects may become short of breath during the six-minute walk test as it is designed to assess
808 subjects' maximal exercise capacity. There is a potential risk of syncope, light-headedness and
809 fainting during these tests; these are uncommon. There is a potential for the subject to develop
810 chest pain or cardiac arrhythmias; these are uncommon. There is a remote risk of heart attack or
811 death during this test. All subjects in this study have previously had a walk test performed
812 successfully without adverse events as part of the COPDGene enrollment visit, and walk tests were
813 also performed during the 5-year visit.

814 Subjects may become short of breath or have generalized muscle fatigue during or after the sit to
815 stand test, as it is designed to assess subjects' muscle strength. There is a potential risk of syncope,
816 light-headedness and fainting during these tests; these are uncommon. There is a potential for the
817 subject to develop chest pain or cardiac arrhythmias; these are uncommon. There is a remote risk
818 of heart attack or death during this test.

819 From spirometry and DLco, subjects may become short of breath. Syncope, light-headedness, and
820 fainting may develop during this test; these are uncommon. Occasionally during or after
821 pulmonary function testing, subjects may become temporarily more short of breath. Subjects who
822 are using oxygen may become short of breath when the oxygen is removed. However, this should
823 rarely occur since oxygen will only be discontinued for 10 minutes and the oxygen saturation will
824 be continuously monitored during this time.

825 There is a possible risk in questionnaire administration from inadvertent disclosure of medical
826 history information. There is also a risk of loss of confidentiality. These potential risks are
827 guarded against by maintaining completed questionnaires in a locked filing system in a locked
828 room at the Clinical Centers, password-protected computers, and using secure transmission of
829 information to the Data Coordinating Center (DCC). Pulmonary function and questionnaire data,

830 identified by study ID number only, will be transferred by secure internet connection (with 132-
831 bit encryption) to the Data Coordinating Center at National Jewish Health in Denver. Identifying
832 information will be sent from the Clinical Centers to the DCC, but this identifying information
833 will be stored separately from clinical and genetic information collected in COPDGene. Study
834 personnel at Clinical Centers and the DCC will be required to meet local requirements for
835 training in protection of confidentiality.

836 Potential risks of blood drawing are hematoma at the skin site and minimal pain of venous
837 puncture.

838
839 Risks associated with the dried blood spot kit include slight discomfort when using the lancet
840 (people have described the feeling as a slight sting – much less than you would experience in a
841 typical blood draw) and, as with any cut, there is a small risk of infection and/or bruising.
842 However, the process and products in the kit are used routinely in a wide range of healthcare
843 applications, including measurement of blood glucose in diabetes. The equipment is sterile and
844 following the instructions provided in the kit (like cleaning the area) will minimize infection risk.

845 Radiation exposure in the chest CT scan could theoretically increase the risk of cancer. Exposure
846 of pregnant women to CT scan radiation could be harmful to the developing fetus. To minimize
847 the likelihood of exposing pregnant women to CT scans, females of child-bearing potential will
848 be asked if they are pregnant or have the possibility of being pregnant before the chest CT scan.
849 CT scans will not be performed for women who state they are pregnant or that they may be
850 pregnant; other pre-menopausal women will undergo urine pregnancy testing before a chest CT
851 scan is performed. Chest CT scans could identify pulmonary nodules that may require follow-up
852 outside of this study. Such pulmonary nodules could be curable lung cancers (a benefit) or
853 scars/prior granulomas that could require additional radiation exposure or even surgery (a risk).

854 The maximum amount of radiation exposure, during the chest CT scan is approximately 7 mSv
855 at each study visit. The radiation dose differs with body size; thinner subjects will have less than
856 this amount of radiation. The average amount of background doses of radiation that the general
857 population is exposed to in the United States is 3 mSv per year. Thus, the maximum amount of
858 radiation subjects will receive from each study visit is equivalent to about two and one third
859 years of normal background radiation.

860 There is a risk that the depression questionnaire (Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale, HADS)
861 will identify subjects with potential clinical depression. The HADS cannot diagnose clinical
862 depression; the diagnosis of clinical depression can only be made by a health care professional.
863 To assure these subjects have further evaluation and therapy if appropriate, subjects will be told
864 if their score (16 or greater) (14) indicates possible depression and will be informed to seek
865 further care from their personal physician. The HADS score will be immediately available to the
866 Research Coordinator and if abnormal the Research Coordinator will inform the subject in
867 person before the study visit is ended. In addition, this information will be mailed to the subject's
868 primary care provider who will be asked to perform a clinical evaluation to determine the
869 possible need for further evaluation or treatment for depression. The DCC will collect
870 information from the study coordinators to verify that subjects and their physicians have been
871 informed about such scores.

872 There are no costs associated with participating in this study. Participants will be compensated
873 for their time and expenses in this study as follows. Participants will be compensated \$125,

874 pending local IRB approval, for completing the Phase 3 study visit. The subjects who cannot
875 have a visit may be offered compensation of \$25, for time and effort required of completing all
876 questionnaires over the phone.

877 This study is designed to be a national resource for scientific investigations. As such, medical
878 information, genetic information and biosamples will be provided to monitored data repositories
879 such as dbGaP as one example and other Biorepositories in order to make the study data
880 available to other investigators, with appropriate safeguards. Other researchers interested in
881 using such information for scientific investigations will be required to apply to the COPDGene
882 Executive Committee for permission to access the data for studies that have received local IRB
883 approval and with requirements to maintain subject confidentiality. Subject-identifying
884 information will not be transmitted to other investigators. A Certificate of Confidentiality has
885 been obtained for the COPDGene study to provide additional protection for study participants.

886 **IX. POTENTIAL BENEFITS**

887 There are no expected benefits to the study participants. Improved understanding of COPD has
888 occurred; COPDGene has generated over 230 scientific publications. As noted above, CT scans
889 could identify pulmonary nodules, early lung cancer or other abnormalities that may require
890 follow-up outside of this study.

891 **X. MONITORING AND QUALITY ASSURANCE**

892 This is an observational longitudinal investigation without a therapeutic intervention. It is
893 expected that there will be deaths in both control and COPD subjects enrolled in this study that
894 are not related to study procedures. It is expected that there will be hospitalizations from a
895 variety of causes not related to study procedures including but not limited to newly discovered
896 disorders, acute disorders requiring surgery, pre-existing conditions, and exacerbations of
897 underlying COPD. Subjects may expire due to pre-existing or new diseases including cancer,
898 cardiovascular conditions, and COPD. These are anticipated events that are not related to this
899 investigation. These events will not be prospectively collected as part of the current study and
900 thus will not be reported to IRBs. Adverse events for the purposes of this study will only be
901 those that are directly related to study procedures done during the study visit(s). There are no
902 expected Serious Adverse Events in this study related to study procedures. At each Clinical
903 Center, subjects will be observed for the development of tremulousness, and nervousness
904 following bronchodilator medication. Unexpected Adverse Events related to study procedures
905 will be reported to the IRB of the Clinical Center and to the Executive Committee. An
906 Observational Safety and Monitoring Board (OSMB) has been appointed by the National Heart,
907 Lung, and Blood Institute and will continue to oversee this study. All protocol deviations and
908 adverse events will be reviewed by the OSMB, and the OSMB will vote on modifying the study
909 if needed.

910 Quality assurance of spirometry data will be insured by the Pulmonary Function Core at National
911 Jewish Health and in Utah, which will review de-identified spirometry data from each study
912 participant. Quality assurance of CT scans will be analyzed by the Imaging Core in Denver.
913 Questionnaires and other data will be quality controlled by the Data Coordinating Center in
914 Denver.

915 As noted above we anticipate that some subjects may expire during the next phase of this study
916 due to a combination of pre-existing disease and the onset of new conditions. These events are
917 not anticipated to be related to the study visit; however, they provide important information
918 about the natural history of COPD and other smoking-related conditions. We will monitor and
919 collect information about deaths in the cohort but will not report them to IRBs as study-related
920 events unless they occur during a study visit or within twenty-four hours of the study visit and
921 are judged to be related to a study procedure.

922 The COPDGene Administrative Core will hire National Research Coordinators. They will visit
923 each Clinical Center periodically to review site facilities, monitor study procedures and record
924 keeping, assist with continuing education of local coordinators to continue our excellent track
925 record of high quality study data and completeness, and as needed and when locally approved,
926 assist in conducting study visits. Clinical centers will be responsible for providing study records
927 and logs for review to the National Research Coordinators.

928 **XI. DATA STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION**

929 The COPDGene study has nine study cores and twenty participating clinical centers. Clinical
930 centers send data to the Data Coordinating Center (DCC) at National Jewish Health, the
931 Biorepository at Brigham and Women’s Hospital, the Pulmonary Function Testing Center (PFT)
932 at NJH and to the Imaging Center at NJH.

933 The Administrative Center oversees and coordinates all study activities. The DCC maintains
934 confidentiality of all protected health information collected from study participants and stores
935 subject data. The Administrative Center releases data and Biospecimens to internal and external
936 study investigators. Internal Investigators consist of co-investigators at the twenty clinical
937 centers and at the study centers. The Ancillary Studies and Publications Committee oversee
938 distribution of data and Biospecimens to external investigators, outside of the COPDGene study.

939 The Imaging Center receives subject CT scan image files. Data and image files including study
940 dates are shared between three different sites, National Jewish Health, University of Iowa and
941 Brigham and Women’s Hospital, under the Imaging Center.

942 The Pulmonary Function Testing (PFT) Center receives subject data from twenty clinical centers
943 via a file depot located at National Jewish Health provided by the DCC. The PFT Center is
944 located in two locations, at National Jewish Health and reviewed by Dr. Robert Jensen as a
945 contract consultant, at the University of Utah.

946 The Biorepositories, which collect, store, and distribute blood samples from the twenty centers,
947 are located at Johns Hopkins University and Brigham and Women’s Hospital. The Phase 3
948 samples will be stored at the biorepository at Brigham and Women’s Hospital. All samples are
949 stored with a code but no other identifiers. Dates of blood collection are recorded in the DCC and
950 are received but not stored at the Biorepository. Blood samples from the Biorepository may be
951 shared with internal study investigators as well as with external investigators, as approved by the
952 Ancillary Studies Committee.

953 If collected in the future, FFPE tissue blocks will also be stored in an established COPDGene
954 Biorepository at Brigham and Women’s Hospital, or at National Jewish Health.

955 The Genetic Analysis and the Sequencing and Bioinformatics Centers are located at Brigham
956 and Women’s Hospital, University of Colorado, Denver and Johns Hopkins University. These
957 centers receive DNA samples and genetic data for analysis. Samples and data are coded and have
958 no other identifiers associated with them.

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960 The Biomarkers Center is located at National Jewish Health and works collaboratively with the
961 Biorepository sharing biospecimens to be used for analysis of biomarkers. Data will include
962 dates of sample collection.

963 The Subtyping Center is made up of investigators from the twenty clinical centers, who meet by
964 teleconference and collaborate on data analysis. Data shared to this Center will include geocodes
965 and location to the level of zip codes.

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967 The Mortality Adjudication Center is located at National Jewish Health and is closely linked to
968 the Administrative Center. They will receive death certificates, subject medical records and when
969 the subject has consented to have personal identifiers transmitted to the DCC staff for the
970 Mortality Adjudication Center will contact next of kin for informant interviews and request death
971 certificates.

972 The Epidemiology Center is located at the University of Colorado, Denver. The Epidemiology
973 Center participates in data analysis of phenotypes, genetic data, and imaging data. These data
974 may include subject identifiers, including dates and geocodes (represents a geographic location).

975 The Principal Investigators for the study, the head of the DCC, the director of the Quantitative
976 Imaging Lab, the Director of the Sequencing Center and Biorepository, Head of the
977 Epidemiology Center, Head of Genetic Analysis Center, the Clinical Centers Director and the
978 Associate Director for COPDGene, in consultation with the COPDGene Executive Committee,
979 manage the central functions of the study. This team and the COPDGene® Investigators seek to
980 encourage appropriate collaborative relationships with outside investigators to advance scientific
981 knowledge and maximize the value of the study.

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The Phase 1 and Phase 2 COPDGene protocol items are included as appendices.

Appendix A: Phase 1- Completed

I. SUBJECT SELECTION: Phase I (Completed)

We are recruiting 12,000 smoking and non-smoking subjects.

Subject Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria

A total of 12,000 non-Hispanic White and African-American subjects will be recruited. These subjects will be classified into four groups:

- (1) Up to 4500 subjects with COPD GOLD Stages 2 through 4,
- (2) Up to 4500 control subjects – current or former smokers without airflow limitation,
- (3) Up to 1500 subjects with minimal airflow limitation (COPD GOLD Stage 1) and including smokers unclassified by GOLD criteria (26, 27),
- (4) Up to 1500 non-smoking control subjects, 500 African-American subjects and 1000 non-Hispanic White subjects, with no smoking history and no airflow limitation.

Subjects will be collected at 21 clinical centers in the United States.

General Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria for All Study Subjects

The following criteria will be required on ALL smoking and non-smoking study subjects in the first study visit:

Inclusion Criteria

Age 45-80 years (Age 45-85 for non-smoking subjects)
Non-Hispanic Whites and African Americans

Exclusion Criteria

Other concomitant respiratory disorder (such as, but not limited to, diffuse bronchiectasis, cystic fibrosis, or interstitial lung disease)
Lung surgery with removal of a lobe or more (including lung volume reduction and lung transplantation)
Lung cancer, known or suspected
Bronchoscopic lung volume reduction
Pregnancy or suspected pregnancy
Uncontrolled cancer, as defined as ongoing radiation therapy, ongoing chemotherapy, narcotics for pain control, or known metastatic disease
History of radiation therapy to the chest (other than radiation for breast cancer)
Use of antibiotics and/or systemic steroids (new prescription or increased dose) for a COPD exacerbation or any lung infection within the last month
Inability to use albuterol
First or second degree relative (parent, brother, sister, daughter, son, aunt, uncle, nephew, niece, half-sibling, grandparent, grandchild) of a subject enrolled in COPDGene®
Subjects who indicate they are in more than one racial category
Metal objects that may interfere with chest CT quantification including presence of a cardiac pacemaker, defibrillator, metal prosthetic heart valve, metal projectile or metal weapon fragment (bullet, shrapnel, shotgun shot) or metal shoulder prosthesis

Subjects unable to perform spirometry due to:

- chest or abdominal surgery in the past three months
- a heart attack in the last three months
- detached retina or eye surgery in the past three months
- hospitalization for any other heart problem in the past month

Participation in the ECLIPSE study

Inability to provide telephone contact number(s) and two additional contacts

No place of permanent residence of three months or more

Each of the four subjects groups contains specific criteria that define the distinct group. The criteria are relevant to the clinical and epidemiological categorization of the four study groups.

COPD Subjects:

Additional Inclusion Criteria

Smoking history of ≥ 10 pack-years

Diagnosis of COPD (post-bronchodilator $FEV_1/FVC < 0.70$) Stages 1, 2, 3 and 4 by GOLD criteria (26)

Additional Exclusion Criteria

Smoking history of < 10 pack years

The diagnosis of COPD includes airflow limitation on spirometry and history of risk factors (most commonly cigarette smoking) known to cause COPD (26). We will use NHANES predicted spirometry values obtained in the United States (28). There are no uniform criteria for the amount of cigarette smoking required for the diagnosis of COPD. We have chosen a threshold for cigarette consumption (10 pack-years) to ensure that all subjects have a substantial environmental stress to differentiate those who have an abnormal pulmonary response to cigarette smoke and those who do not have such a response. Review of medical records of patients with COPD frequently demonstrates a physician-listed diagnosis of asthma. These subjects will be included in the COPD groups if they have evidence of airflow limitation that is not fully reversible using the GOLD (Global Initiative on Obstructive Lung Disease) criteria (26). The interactions of asthma with COPD are common and complex. Elimination of asthma patients with fixed airflow limitation would inappropriately bias the findings of this study.

We will employ the FVC as the primary measure of lung volume since this allows comparisons to previous large-scale epidemiologic investigations. Normal values have been published and this maneuver is widely used. However, we will also collect the FEV_6 , a more recently advocated index that may be easier for some patients to accomplish and reduce adverse effects of spirometry.

Subjects with known or suspected lung cancer will be excluded; if there are a substantial number of subjects with lung cancer in this study, then we may detect genes associated with lung cancer rather than with COPD. Subjects with a prior history of lung cancer, even if successfully resected and cured will be excluded. Subjects who may in the near future have a resection of a lesion suspected to be lung cancer will be excluded, but they may be included at a later time if the lesion proves not to be cancer and the resection removes less than one lobe of the lung.

Subjects with uncontrolled cancer of any type will be excluded because the cancer or cancer treatment may alter lung function and thus misclassify the respiratory status of the subject, and this cohort is being designed for long-term follow-up.

We will exclude patients with recent use of antibiotics and/or systemic steroids for a COPD exacerbation since such subjects may have an ongoing inflammatory pulmonary process related to an infection that will impair our ability to characterize and phenotype patients in their usual stable state. These patients can be re-screened 30 days after cessation of antibiotic or corticosteroid use.

GOLD Unclassified Subjects:

Additional Inclusion Criteria

Smoking history of ≥ 10 pack-years

Spirometry (Post-bronchodilator $FEV_1/FVC \geq 0.70$, $FEV_1 < 80\%$ predicted)

Additional Exclusion Criteria

Smoking history of < 10 pack years

Subjects meeting the required smoking history parameter but do not fall into either COPD or smoking control categories will be included as GOLD Unclassified subjects. These subjects will be grouped based on the occurrence of a normal FEV_1/FVC accompanied by a presence of reduced air flow (post-bronchodilator $FEV_1/FVC \geq 0.70$, $FEV_1 < 80\%$). To date, we have found approximately 10-12% of smoking subjects fall into this category. The inclusion of the Unclassified smoking group will provide additional and possibly novel information regarding the categorization, clinical presentation, and progression of COPD in smoking populations. Since this group is already present within the current subject pool, these subjects will be clarified as a distinct subject group.

Smokers without COPD

Additional Inclusion Criteria

History of cigarette smoking ≥ 10 pack-years

Post-bronchodilator $FEV_1/FVC \geq 0.70$ and $FEV_1 \geq 80\%$ predicted.(28)

Additional Exclusion Criteria

Smoking history of < 10 pack years

Some potential subjects may have exclusionary criteria that only temporarily limit their enrollment in COPDGene[®], such as recent use of antibiotics or corticosteroids. Such subjects with temporary exclusion may be re-screened and enrolled at a later time when these features are no longer exclusionary.

Subjects who have been given a diagnosis of COPD by a health care professional, but who have normal spirometry, will be enrolled as smoking control subjects. The diagnosis of COPD may have been incorrectly given to a patient without confirmation by spirometry. For this study, the diagnosis of COPD or lack thereof (based on the objective presence or absence of airflow limitation) will be determined by the post-bronchodilator spirometry performed as part of this study.

Sources of subjects will vary from center to center, but will likely include inpatients and outpatients at the centers, spouses and friends of subjects with COPD, patients in primary care practices, local patient support and educational groups, and local and national COPD voluntary organizations (such as the COPD Foundation and American Lung Association).

Subjects should not primarily be recruited from sources that include a high prevalence of asthmatics such as asthma clinics or asthma patient groups. While subjects with asthma are not

excluded in either control or COPD subjects in order to assure similar inclusion/exclusion criteria in both populations, this study is not designed as a study of the genetics of asthma. Thus subjects who have asthma as their primary respiratory disease should not be targeted for recruitment.

Although the primary focus of this project is COPD and COPD-related phenotypes, subjects will also be informed that this cohort may be used to study the genetic and environmental determinants of other smoking-related illnesses such as lung cancer and coronary artery disease and, with their permission on the consent form, other disorders that are not smoking-related.

Non-smoking Controls

Additional Inclusion Criteria

No smoking history as defined by less than 100 cigarettes smoked in a lifetime

No airflow limitation (Post-bronchodilator $FEV_1/FVC \geq 0.70$, $FEV_1 \geq 80\%$ predicted)

Additional Exclusion Criteria

Smoking history of more than 100 cigarettes smoked in a lifetime

Smoking history of more than 52 cigars smoked in a lifetime

Smoking history of more than 12 oz. of pipe tobacco smoked in a lifetime

Any history of physician-diagnosed respiratory disease

One hundred and eight subjects with no smoking history and no airflow limitation were included as a reference population for comparison with those affected by smoking exposure. These subjects will offer information on the processes involved in normal lung aging. Non-smoking control subjects are critical for supporting genetic and pathological findings within smoking and diseased subject groups by acting as a baseline for normal pulmonary physiology within a genetically mixed population.

Subject Phase 1 Actual Enrollment:

Phase 1, which was performed from November 2007 until July 2012, enrolled 10,371 subjects. Of these subjects 3438 were African American and 6933 were Non-Hispanic White. Enrolled subjects classified by severity of lung disease were as follows:

Smoker Controls – 4391

GOLD 2 - 4 Subjects – 3692

GOLD Unclassified – 1258

GOLD 1 Subjects – 795

Non-smokers controls – 108

Lack final GOLD classification due to failed spirometry – 63

Significant ILD or bronchiectasis noted on CT scan, excluded from analysis – 64

All of the enrolled subjects had at least a 10 pack-year smoking history (except the non-smoker group) and were between 45 and 80 years of age. Enrollment of up to a total of 1500 non-smoker controls is still anticipated.

II. SUBJECT ENROLLMENT

Phase 1

This project will recruit a total of 12,000 subjects over five years from twenty-one clinical study centers. We anticipate recruitment will be completed early in the fifth year of the proposed study, allowing time for the genetic and epidemiologic analyses to occur by the end of the fifth year. Each Clinical Center will be expected to, on average, recruit approximately 160 subjects in each of the first four years meeting the program's defined recruitment goals for recruitment among both racial/ethnic classes, an approximately equal division of men and women, and with COPD subjects equally distributed among GOLD grades 1, 2, 3 and 4. The Executive Committee with the help of the Steering Committee will set and monitor goals for subject recruitment from each Clinical Center. The Administrative Core will have the right to modify recruitment goals among the centers to meet the overall goals of the project with respect to numbers of subjects recruited, minority subjects, or the balance of subjects in GOLD stages. The Administrative Core may incorporate additional qualified Clinical Centers if needed to meet recruitment goals.

Potentially eligible subjects who contact study staff or are referred by a health care professional may undergo screening either in person or by telephone to determine if they are likely to meet appropriate inclusion and exclusion criteria and to schedule the study visit to the Clinical Center. The study protocol will be discussed in detail during this screening encounter. A log will be maintained at each Clinical Center indicating the number of subjects who fail this initial screening. This screening log will be maintained at the Clinical Center and will not be transmitted to the Data Coordinating Center to assure confidentiality and protection of human subjects.

Before the study visit begins, written informed consent will be obtained by one of the study staff members. A physician investigator from the Clinical Center will be available to answer any questions regarding the informed consent process. Investigators may obtain consent from their own patients.

III. PHASE I STUDY PROCEDURES (Completed)

There will be one to two study visits for the majority of subjects depending on whether a separate visit is needed to schedule a chest CT scan. In some cases, subjects may have a third visit to re-collect information that does not meet quality control criteria. For example, if spirometry does not meet quality control criteria as judged by the Pulmonary Function Core, the subject may be called to schedule an additional visit to repeat the test.

During their research study visit, the following procedures will be performed:

1. Informed consent will be obtained prior to any other study procedure.
2. Prior to any other evaluations, an Eligibility Questionnaire will be administered to determine if potential subjects meet inclusion/exclusion criteria. This questionnaire is located on the protected study web site and will provide a check on whether subjects meet inclusion and exclusion criteria.
3. Contact Information will be collected from the subject. Name, home address, phone number, cell phone, email address, date of birth and social security number will be collected from the subject. The purpose of this information is to maintain contact with the

subjects up to four times a year for the purposes of longitudinal follow-up. Similar contact information (but not social security number) will be collected for two other individuals likely to know the subject's whereabouts, at least one of whom is a relative not living with the subject. The purpose of this information is to locate subjects who have moved to a different home and have a different address and/or phone number and ascertain vital status of the subject.

4. **Safety Assessment.** A Safety Assessment questionnaire will be administered to subjects. They will be asked if they have a history of adverse events with the use of albuterol prior to administration of this inhaled bronchodilator. This safety assessment will also be used to ascertain potential cardiac disorders prior to albuterol administration and the walk test. If the questionnaire uncovers known or potential adverse effects of albuterol or potential cardiac disorders, a study physician will evaluate the subject to determine if it is safe to administer albuterol and perform a six-minute walk test.
5. **Physical Assessment** will be performed on all subjects: A limited assessment will be performed including height, weight, blood pressure, heart rate, and room air oxygen saturation by pulse oximetry with the subject seated at rest. In subjects using supplemental oxygen, the oxygen will be withheld and subjects will breathe room air for 10 minutes prior to recording oxygen saturation. If resting saturation falls below 82% or the subject becomes dyspneic prior to 10 minutes without oxygen, oxygen therapy will be restarted as a safety precaution. If heart rate is less than 50 or greater than 110 or if the blood pressure is greater than 170/100, a study physician will evaluate the subject to determine if it is safe to administer albuterol and perform a walk test.
6. **Pre and post-bronchodilator spirometry** will be performed on all subjects. The maneuvers are performed in a standardized manner. To obtain three acceptable measures, the technician may ask the subject to perform up to eight attempts. Spirometry is performed before and then repeated twenty to thirty minutes following the administration of two puffs (180 mcg) of albuterol from a metered dose inhaler with a spacer. Spirometry will be performed with the subject in the seated position with a nose clip in place. Inspiratory capacity will also be measured post-bronchodilator.
7. **Standardized questionnaires** will be completed by all subjects that meet entry criteria to assess respiratory history and symptoms, smoking history, family history, and other medical history. These questionnaires include a modified version of the American Thoracic Society/Division of Lung Diseases Respiratory Epidemiology Questionnaire (29) to assess respiratory symptoms and the St. George's Respiratory Questionnaire to assess health-related quality of life. Medications and oxygen use will also be recorded. Questionnaires can be administered by the method judged to be most convenient at each Clinical Center. Questionnaires may be interviewer-administered or self-completed on either a paper copy or directly on a computer pdf file. Completion of all questionnaires is expected to take between 45 and 90 minutes.
8. **Blood** is drawn from all subjects for DNA (genetic association studies) and serum and plasma (for measurement of other proteins potentially related to COPD and other diseases). A total volume of approximately 40 ml of blood will be drawn for this study. Blood samples will be stored at the Johns Hopkins COPDGene[®] Biological Repository.
9. **Six-Minute Walk Test** will be performed on all subjects to determine exercise capacity (30). This will be used to calculate the BODE score. Subjects will be asked questions to

assure they do not have significant or occult heart disease prior to the test to assure subject safety.

10. Chest CT Scan will be performed to assess for emphysema and airway disease in all subjects. An inspiratory chest CT scan will be performed with a radiation dose of 200 mAs to provide thorough assessment of small airway wall thickness and emphysema. An expiratory chest CT scan will be performed of lower dose (50 mA) to assess for air trapping. If a clinical chest CT scan with an appropriate CT protocol and data storage has been performed within 6 months, that clinical CT scan may be used for this study with prior approval of the Imaging Committee that the scan algorithm used meets study criteria and can be analyzed appropriately. If a CT scan may not be scheduled on the same day as the study visit, the scan must be performed within 6 months after the visit. All COPD, Unclassified, and control subjects will be required to have a chest CT scan. If the chest CT scan is done on the same day as the post-bronchodilator spirometry, the scan should be scheduled as soon as possible after albuterol. The time and date of the last bronchodilator prior to the CT scan will be captured.
11. A urine pregnancy test will be performed on all premenopausal women prior to the chest CT scan.
12. Medical Record Review: In subjects with COPD, medical records will be reviewed when available with subject permission to obtain information within the last year of pulmonary function tests (including lung volumes and diffusing capacity) and oxygenation (arterial blood gases).
13. Longitudinal Follow-Up: Subjects will be contacted up to four times a year by telephone, mail, email, and/or newsletter to assess survival status and respiratory illnesses for up to 10 years.
14. Linking to other studies: Subjects with COPD will be asked if they are currently participating or have participated previously in other COPD NIH and non-NIH clinical trials such as the NHLBI COPD Clinical Research Network MACRO or LEUKO studies, NHLBI Long-Term Oxygen Therapy Trial (LOTT), National Lung Cancer Screening Trial (NLST), GlaxoSmithKline International COPD Genetics Network, Boston Early-Onset COPD Study, NHLBI Lung Tissue Research Consortium (LTRC), NHLBI Lung Health Study, and NHLBI SPIROMICS Study. Subjects will be asked if their clinical and genetic data can be linked to the results of these other studies and future investigations in order to investigate the genetic associations between genotype data from this study with their outcomes in other trials.

After the genotyping of candidate genes, including alpha 1-antitrypsin (AAT), is performed, subjects who elected to learn about abnormal AAT test results, when IRB approved, will receive them. These results may not be available for several years after the blood samples are obtained. For newly diagnosed PI ZZ subjects, the Principal Investigator of the Clinical Center will telephone those subjects first, then send a follow-up letter. Subjects with other abnormal PI types will be informed by mail. Participants will be informed that the AAT test results are based on research laboratory test results and should be repeated in a clinical laboratory. If subjects provide permission, these results will also be communicated to their physician.

The questionnaire and pulmonary function test results will be stored in a locked filing cabinet at each Clinical Center. Questionnaire and pulmonary function data, identified by study ID number

only, will be transmitted to the Data Coordinating Center in Denver by secure internet connection with 132-bit encryption. Blood samples and CT scans will be transmitted to the appropriate Biorepository and Imaging Cores by overnight delivery service.

Appendix B- Phase 2 (Year 5 and Year 1 for New Nonsmokers)- Completed

I. COPDGene Phase 2 Return Visit

In addition to the cross-sectional subject data collected in the baseline COPDGene study visit, disease progression and incidence of COPD in smokers are important additional endpoints for genetic association studies. We have completed enrollment of 10,300 subjects as the first phase of this project and now propose to invite these subjects to return for a second evaluation five years after their initial visit to assess disease incidence and/or progression in COPDGene subjects.

The primary goals of COPDGene Phase 2 are: 1) to identify new genetic loci that influence the development and/or progression of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and COPD-related phenotypes, and 2) to reclassify COPD into subtypes that can ultimately be used to develop effective subtype-specific therapies and prevention. The reclassification of COPD will be done using imaging, clinical and physiologic characteristics, longitudinal progression, long-term outcomes, and genetics.

In addition to identifying COPD genetic determinants, this program will characterize the natural history of COPD and identify well-characterized COPD subtypes. Improved understanding of COPD subtypes and genes controlling susceptibility to COPD could lead to novel pathophysiological insights, refined diagnostic criteria, and new treatment approaches. Moreover, the availability of comprehensive genetic data and longitudinal data on a large biracial group of smokers will be an invaluable national resource for other investigators.

New Non-Smoker Controls

To reach our Phase 1 goal of up to 12,000 subjects, we plan to enroll up to an additional 1,500 subjects in Phase 2. We will target enrollment of additional non-smokers without lung disease in Phase 2 of COPDGene. By providing insight into the normal effects of aging in healthy subjects, these subjects will allow us to correctly interpret the chest CT scans, lung function, health status and other features of our current cohort. For example, aging is associated with loss of lung elasticity, a characteristic feature of emphysema. Without knowledge of the effects of age, gender and race on the lungs of healthy subjects, we cannot accurately determine whether CT scans of subjects with a smoking history are normal or abnormal, or assess disease severity.

II. SUBJECT SELECTION – Phase 2

Return Visit

This project will invite all 10,371 subjects who successfully completed Visit 1 using the same 21 clinical study centers for a second study visit. Visit 2 will be scheduled five years (+ / - 3 months) after Visit 1. However, late visits are permitted if the subject becomes available for a Phase 2 visit more than three months after their five-year anniversary.

A key component of the project is to establish contact with all of the previously enrolled subjects or confirm the subjects are deceased. Clinical centers will utilize stored contact information including secondary contacts to contact previously enrolled subjects.

Eligible subjects will be contacted by mail, email and/or phone and invited to participate in Visit 2 at the Clinical Centers. The study protocol will be discussed in detail during this screening encounter. Before the study visit begins, written informed consent will be obtained by one of the study staff members. A physician investigator from the Clinical Center will be available to answer any questions regarding the informed consent process.

New Non-Smoker Control Subjects

Additional subjects without a smoking history will be enrolled in Phase 2 to meet the target of up to 1,500 subjects noted above. Subjects will be recruited from family members and friends of COPDGene enrolled subjects; this primary targeted recruitment will help assure age, race and gender distribution of control subjects is similar to the enrolled COPDGene subjects. If necessary, control subjects will also be enrolled from the community and physician offices using informational brochures and advertisements.

Subject Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria for Non-smoker Controls

Inclusion Criteria

Age 45-85 years (for non-smokers)

Non-Hispanic Whites and African Americans

No smoking history as defined by less than 100 cigarettes smoked in a lifetime, less than 52 cigars smoked in a lifetime, and less than 12 oz. of pipe tobacco smoked in a lifetime

Exclusion Criteria

Respiratory disorders (including, but not limited to, COPD, asthma, bronchiectasis, cystic fibrosis, or interstitial lung disease)

Any lung surgery

Lung cancer

History of Pneumothorax

Pleural procedure (including, but not limited to, chest tube placement, pleural surgery)

History of any pulmonary procedures: diagnostic bronchoscopy, lung biopsy, except research bronchoscopy

Uncontrolled cancer, as defined as ongoing radiation therapy, ongoing chemotherapy, narcotics for pain control, or known metastatic disease

History of radiation therapy to the chest (other than radiation for breast cancer)

Subjects receiving treatment for active TB

Severe cirrhosis

Renal disease requiring dialysis

Pulmonary Hypertension

Congestive heart failure

Inability to use albuterol

First or second- degree relative (parent, brother, sister, daughter, son, aunt, uncle, nephew, niece, half-sibling, grandparent, grandchild) of a subject enrolled in COPDGene

Subjects who indicate they are in more than one racial category

Subjects who do not authorize the storage of personal identifiers (social security number, name, address, phone number) in the COPDGene Data Coordinating Center

Metal objects that may interfere with chest CT quantification including presence of a cardiac pacemaker, defibrillator, metal prosthetic heart valve, metal projectile or metal weapon fragment (bullet, shrapnel, shotgun shot) or metal shoulder prosthesis

Participation in the following studies: COPDGene Phase 1, ECLIPSE, Boston Early-Onset COPD Study, Boston COPD Exacerbations Study, Denver Genetics Study,

GlaxoSmithKline International COPD Genetics Network, NCI: National Lung Screening Trial, NIH: COPD Clinical Research Network: Macrolide and Leukotriene Trials, NIH: Long-Term Oxygen Therapy Trial, NIH: Lung Health Study, NIH: Lung Tissue Research Consortium, NIH: SPIROMICS, Pittsburgh SCCOR

Inability to provide personal telephone contact number(s) and complete information for two additional contacts (next of kin, relative or close friend, not living with subject)

No place of permanent residence for the prior three months

Alpha-1 Antitrypsin deficiency

Regular use of an inhaled medication

Regular marijuana use (more than once per week)

HIV Positive

History of transplant of any organ

Active drug or alcohol dependence

History of employment in underground mining

Body mass index greater than 35

Temporary Exclusion Criteria

Subjects with the following may not have a study visit performed, but may be re-screened at a later time.

1. Pregnancy or suspected pregnancy. (These subjects will be re-scheduled for a visit at least three months after childbirth or after they are no longer suspected of pregnancy.)
2. Use of antibiotics for a respiratory infection within the past month. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after completion of the antibiotics.)
3. Use of systemic corticosteroids (new prescription or increased dose) for a respiratory disorder within the past month. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after completion of the steroids.)
4. Chest or abdominal surgery in the past three months. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least three months after surgery.)
5. Heart attack in the last three months. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least three months after the heart attack.)
6. Detached retina or eye surgery in the past three months. (These subjects will be re-scheduled for a visit at least three months after surgery.)
7. Hospitalization for any other heart problem in the past month. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after hospital discharge.)

Subject Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria – Phase 2 Return Visit

Inclusion Criteria

Previously enrolled in COPDGene and meeting initial eligibility criteria at Visit 1.

Control subjects without a history of cigarette smoking (see criteria above).

Temporary Exclusion Criteria

Subjects with the following will be temporarily excluded but may be rescheduled at a later time:

1. Pregnancy or suspected pregnancy. (These subjects will be re-scheduled for a visit at least three months after childbirth or after they are no longer suspected of pregnancy.)
2. Use of antibiotics for a respiratory infection within the past month. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after completion of the antibiotics.)
3. Use of systemic corticosteroids (new prescription or increased dose) for a respiratory disorder within the past month. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after completion of the steroids.)
4. Chest or abdominal surgery in the past three months. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least three months after surgery.)
5. Heart attack in the last three months. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least three months after the heart attack.)
6. Detached retina or eye surgery in the past three months. (These subjects will be re-scheduled for a visit at least three months after surgery.)
7. Hospitalization for any other heart problem in the past month. (These subjects will be rescheduled for a visit at least 4 weeks after hospital discharge.)

Rationale: All previously enrolled subjects from COPDGene are eligible for the study. Previous exclusions for lung cancer and other conditions are not a reason to exclude subjects from follow-up evaluation because these are outcomes of the disease to be assessed.

We will exclude patients with recent use of antibiotics and/or systemic steroids for a COPD exacerbation since such subjects may have an ongoing inflammatory pulmonary process related to an infection that will impair our ability to characterize and phenotype patients in their usual stable state.

We will exclude subjects who have contraindications to spirometry (exclusion criteria 4 – 7 above).

Subjects with exclusion criteria will be re-screened at a later date when they can be enrolled in Visit 2. The Administrative Core should be contacted regarding subjects who cannot complete all components of the study visit due to temporary exclusions or other medical conditions. The Administrative Core in consultation with the local clinical center director will determine which portions of a study visit can be completed. Those modifications will be considered if the subject is unlikely to be able to return at a later date for the study visit or unlikely to resolve medical issues that limit participation.

Phase 2

All Phase 1 subjects have provided consent with their initial study enrollment to be contacted again for further research studies. Subjects will be sent a letter advising them that funding has been provided for the second visit and informing them that they will be contacted by letter, email and/or phone to schedule an appointment for Visit 2. A telephone call will be made to each subject to schedule a date for his/her next study visit and ask them to bring the following to the

study visit: 1) all their current oral and inhaled medications, 2) names of any injectable study medications received on a regular basis, 3) social security number, 4) name, address and phone number of their personal physician, 5) name, address and phone of two other individuals likely to know the subject's whereabouts, at least one of whom is a relative not living with the subject, and 6) driver's license or other identification to assure they are the individual enrolled in COPDGene Phase 1.

At the Phase 2 study visit the subject will review the informed consent form for the second study visit and its study procedures. The subjects will have the opportunity to review the study documents in private, have questions answered and sign the informed consent. If necessary, subjects may review the informed consent with family members or their physicians. A HIPAA authorization or combined consent and HIPAA authorization will be reviewed and signed at the same time. Although subjects have signed a HIPAA authorization in Phase 1, a current authorization will be obtained to meet the requirements of hospitals and health care providers. Phase 2 data collection includes transfer of subject identifiers to the Data Coordinating Center (DCC) as described in the Central Data, Imaging, and Human Subject Contacts Protocol.

Mail Consent

Prior to the return visit, subjects may be contacted by the Clinical Center via mail to request additional consent and authorization. This additional consent and authorization will request that the subject allow transfer of identifiers from the Clinical Center to the Data Coordinating Center at National Jewish Health. This Mail Authorization provides permission for the Clinical Center to transmit the subject's personal information (social security number, address, secondary contact address) to the DCC. A Personal Contact Information Update form will be sent with the mail consent, asking subjects to update contact information, including secondary contacts and primary care physician. Additionally the subjects will be invited to sign an "Authorization to Release Protected Health Information" medical record release form.

This information will be used for central subject tracking, longitudinal follow up, vital status searching, and to obtain cost and utilization information on subjects from Medicare. The mail consent also allows the Clinical Center to seek perimortem medical records and informant interviews about the circumstances around the subject's death.

Visit 2 Options for Subjects Who Have Difficulty with a Visit to Clinical Center

In the event that a Phase 1 subject has moved away from their local Clinical Center and to an area closer to another participating COPDGene Clinical Center, the subject may elect to complete Visit 2 at this closer Center rather than traveling to their original Center. With the subject's verbal approval by phone, their new contact information will be provided from the Clinical Center where the subject had the first visit to the geographically proximate Clinical Center. The subject will sign a new Informed Consent Form and HIPAA with the coordinator at the new study location prior to their Phase 2 visit.

In the event that Phase 1 subject has financial hardship or has moved a considerable distance from their local Clinical Center, the COPDGene Administrative Core may consider providing transportation assistance to this subject for a return visit. The payment for this subject's return visit may include the actual reasonable cost of transportation, lodging, and meal expenses. Subject must provide receipts to Clinical Center for reimbursement. Use of this approach and funding for these expenses will be allocated on a case-by-case basis from the Administrative Core to the Clinical Center.

COPDGene subjects who are unable to come to a COPDGene Clinical Center to complete a Phase 2 visit due to illness, disease progression, or inability to be transported to the Clinical Center, will be given the option of having a research coordinator complete a partial study visit at the subject's place of residence. This home visit will include spirometry before and after albuterol administration, blood drawing, and completion of all study questionnaires.

Phase 1 subjects who are unable to come to a Clinical Center and are not willing or able to undergo a home visit will be asked if they would mind completing study questionnaires over the phone. If the subject agrees, this will be completed. If the subject is not willing or unable to complete study questionnaires over the phone they will be asked if they would complete a Limited Follow-Up Questionnaire and some or all of the regular study questionnaires. The Limited Follow-Up Questionnaire will be used to gather important longitudinal information on the subject related to respiratory symptoms, exacerbations, and comorbidities. A research coordinator will conduct this questionnaire with the subject by phone. These subjects may still participate in the bi-annual Longitudinal Follow-Up program by phone or Internet.

Phase 1 subjects who do not agree to a Phase 2 visit or to participate in Longitudinal Follow-Up will be asked if they would be willing to complete a Limited Follow-Up Questionnaire by phone. If the subject refuses to complete this questionnaire, their wishes will be respected.

Closed Clinical Center

Due to the longitudinal nature of the study, it is important to follow health and vital status on all of the COPDGene subjects. In the event that a clinical center is unable to perform follow up contacts or visits, the COPDGene Administrative Core will work as an agent for the Clinical Center or provide a contract clinical research organization to manage the follow-up subject visits and contacts per protocol. Subjects will be consented in Phase 2 to allow for a member of COPDGene Central Administration to contact them for follow up. The original clinical center must work with the Administrative core to facilitate efficient transfer of information and study management under the supervision of a local principal investigator and with the approval of the local IRB.

III. PHASE 2 STUDY PROCEDURES

Similar to the first visit, for the Phase 2 study visit there will be one to two visits for the majority of subjects depending on whether a separate visit is needed to schedule a chest CT scan. In some cases, subjects may have a third visit to re-collect information that does not meet quality control criteria. For example, if spirometry does not meet quality control criteria as judged by the Pulmonary Function Core, the subject may be contacted by phone to schedule an additional visit to repeat the test.

During the Phase 2 research study visit, the following procedures will be performed:

1. Informed consent will be obtained prior to any other study procedure. An updated HIPAA consent to obtain medical records to adjudicate the cause of death will be obtained. Subjects will be asked to provide a signed release of medical records to be used in the event of their death, to obtain an interview with a next of kin, secondary contact, or personal representative and with the treating physician. Hospital and physician records, related to the

events and illnesses associated with a participant's death, will also be obtained through the signed release of medical records. Subjects will be provided a memo to give to their physician(s) for this purpose.

2. Subjects will be asked to provide or update contact information of two secondary contacts with addresses and phone numbers, one of who is a next of kin or personal representative, and the other a relative or close friend, not living with the subject. The purpose of this information is to locate subjects who have moved to a different home and have a different address and/or phone number and ascertain vital status of the subject. The subjects will be asked to give consent to have their participation in the COPDGene study disclosed to these secondary contacts in the event that we are unable to contact them, and also disclosed to their next of kin, personal representative or family members in the event of their death. Subjects will be provided a memo to give to their secondary contacts for this purpose.
3. Prior to any other evaluations, an Enrollment/Safety Questionnaire will be administered to determine if potential subjects have a condition that would require deferring their study visit. They will be asked if they have a history of adverse events with the use of albuterol prior to administration of this inhaled bronchodilator. This safety assessment will also be used to ascertain potential cardiac disorders prior to albuterol administration and the walk test. If the questionnaire uncovers known or potential adverse effects of albuterol or potential cardiac disorders, a study physician will evaluate the subject to determine if it is safe to administer albuterol and perform a six-minute walk test. This questionnaire is located on the protected study web site.
4. Updated contact information will be collected from the subjects. Name, home address, home phone number, cell phone, email address, date of birth and social security number will be collected or verified from the subject. The purpose of this information is to maintain contact with the subjects twice a year, and inform the subjects of other research studies and potential future COPDGene follow-up visits pending future funding. In order to perform central collection of mortality and cause of death, this information will be securely transmitted to the Data Coordinating Center at National Jewish Health, where it will be stored separately from the clinical, physiological, imaging, and genetic data. The transmittal of subjects' personal information to the DCC will be used for central subject tracking, longitudinal follow-up, death searching through the Social Security Death Master File (SSDMF) and to obtain cost and utilization information from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
5. Physical Assessment will be performed on all subjects: A limited assessment will be performed including height, weight, arm span, waist circumference, blood pressure, heart rate, and room air oxygen saturation by pulse oximetry with the subject seated at rest. Blood pressure will be measured three times with the subjects seated and resting for at least five minutes. In subjects using supplemental oxygen, the oxygen will be withheld and subjects will breathe room air for 10 minutes prior to recording oxygen saturation. If resting oxygen saturation falls below 82% or the subject becomes dyspneic prior to 10 minutes without oxygen, oxygen therapy will be restarted as a safety precaution. If heart rate is less than 50 or greater than 110 or if the blood pressure is greater than 170/110, a study physician will evaluate the subject to determine if it is safe to administer albuterol and perform a walk test.
6. Pre and post-bronchodilator spirometry will be performed on all subjects. The maneuvers are performed in a standardized manner. To obtain 3 acceptable measures, the technician

may ask the subject to perform up to 8 attempts. Spirometry is performed before and then repeated approximately twenty minutes following the administration of two puffs (180 mcg) of albuterol from a metered dose inhaler with a spacer. Spirometry will be performed with the subject in a seated position with a nose clip in place.

7. Diffusing capacity will be measured on all subjects after post-bronchodilator spirometry. The test will be performed according to American Thoracic Society/European Respiratory Society standards (8). In subjects using supplemental oxygen, oxygen will be removed and subjects will breathe room air for 10 minutes prior to the test. If resting saturation falls below 82% or the subject becomes dyspneic prior to 10 minutes without oxygen, oxygen therapy will be restarted as a safety precaution and the test will be performed without the ten-minute oxygen washout. To obtain 2 reproducible measures, the test may be repeated up to five times.
8. Standardized questionnaires will be completed by all subjects to assess respiratory symptoms, smoking history, and other medical history. These questionnaires include the St. George's Respiratory Questionnaire to assess health-related quality of life, the Medical Outcomes SF-36 to assess generic quality of life, and the COPD Assessment Test (CAT) to assess COPD severity. Questionnaires will be administered to obtain information about respiratory history, medical history, anxiety and depression (Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale) (9), menstrual, pregnancy and female hormone medication history in women (Women's Questionnaire), current and previous residential history (Residential/Occupational Questionnaire) to ascertain air pollution and environmental exposures, and occupational history. Subjects will be asked about access to regular medical care, access to health insurance and attitudes about medical care for their lung disease (Socioeconomic Questionnaire) to determine the impact of these factors on lung disease and exacerbations. If a participant is found to have cancer, determined by the Medical History Questionnaire, a Cancer Data Collection Questionnaire will be administered during the study visit to collect additional data on the cancer diagnosis. The subject may be invited to sign a tissue release addendum in order to provide formalin fixed paraffin embedded (FFPE) tissue blocks if there was a cancer diagnosis or lung tissue removed. An e-Cigarette questionnaire will be administered. Subjects will answer questions to assess amount of use and attitudes.

Each patient will be asked to bring in all of their current medications in their original bottles. A list of current medications will be made at the local clinical center and transmitted to the Data Coordinating Center as a pdf document coded with the subject's study ID number. Oxygen use will also be recorded. A clinical coordinator will administer the Questionnaires. The results will be entered directly into the computer or recorded on paper forms to be input later by the coordinator. Completion of all questionnaires is expected to take between 90 and 120 minutes.

9. Blood will be drawn from all subjects for DNA (genetic and epigenetic studies), serum and plasma (for measurement of other proteins potentially related to COPD and other diseases) and a CBC (complete blood count). A total volume of approximately 50 ml of blood will be drawn for this study. A complete blood count will be performed at the Clinical Centers. The rest of the blood samples will be stored at the COPDGene Biological Repository at Brigham and Women's Hospital.
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have significant or occult heart disease prior to the test to assure subject safety. Subjects who have significant cardiovascular disease may require evaluation by the local physician investigator prior to six-minute walk test. Immediately and one minute after the end of the six-minute walk test, a subject's heart rate and oxygen saturation will be measured using a pulse oximeter.

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Home Visit

If a COPDGene home visit is performed, it will include Home Visit Informed Consent and HIPAA administration, pre and post-bronchodilator spirometry, blood drawing, completion of all study questionnaires and procedures except six minute walk, diffusing capacity, and CT scan.

Visit 1 Study Procedures for Non Smoker Controls

Non-smoker controls enrolled during the Phase 2 study will be assessed for eligibility using the inclusion and exclusion criteria listed previously for the new non-smoker controls. For the study visit there will be one to two study visits for the majority of subjects depending on whether a separate visit is needed in order to schedule a chest CT scan. In some cases, subjects may have a

third visit to re-collect information that does not meet quality control criteria. For example, if spirometry does not meet quality control criteria as judged by the Pulmonary Function Core, the subject may be contacted by phone to schedule an additional visit to repeat the test.

During the Phase 2 research study visit, the following procedures will be performed:

1. Informed consent will be obtained prior to any other study procedure. An updated HIPAA consent to obtain medical records to adjudicate the cause of death will be obtained. Subjects will be asked to provide a signed release of medical records to be used in the event of their death, to obtain an interview with a next of kin, secondary contact, or personal representative and with the treating physician. Hospital and physician records, related to the events and illnesses associated with a participant's death, will also be obtained through the signed release of medical records. Subjects will be provided a memo to give to their physician(s) for this purpose.
2. Subjects will be asked to provide contact information of two secondary contacts with addresses and phone numbers, one of whom is a next of kin or personal representative, and the other a relative or close friend, not living with the subject. The purpose of this information is to locate subjects who have moved to a different address and/or phone number and ascertain vital status of the subject. The subjects will be asked to give consent to have their participation in the COPDGene study disclosed to these secondary contacts in the event that we are unable to contact them, and also disclosed to their next of kin, personal representative or family members in the event of their death. Subjects will be provided a memo to give to their secondary contacts for this purpose.
3. Prior to any other evaluations, an Enrollment/Safety Questionnaire will be administered to determine if potential subjects have a condition that would require deferring their study visit. They will be asked if they have a history of adverse events with the use of albuterol prior to administration of this inhaled bronchodilator. This safety assessment will also be used to ascertain potential cardiac disorders prior to albuterol administration and the walk test. If the questionnaire uncovers known or potential adverse effects of albuterol or potential cardiac disorders, a study physician will evaluate the subject to determine if it is safe to administer albuterol and perform a six-minute walk test. This questionnaire is located on the protected study web site.
4. Updated contact information will be collected from the subjects. Name, home address, home phone number, cell phone, email address, date of birth and social security number will be collected or verified from the subject. The purpose of this information is to maintain contact with the subjects twice a year, and inform the subjects of other research studies and potential future COPDGene follow-up visits pending future funding. In order to perform central collection of mortality and cause of death, this information will be securely transmitted to the Data Coordinating Center at National Jewish Health, where it will be stored separately from the clinical, physiological, imaging, and genetic data. The transmittal of subject's personal information to the DCC will be used for central subject tracking, longitudinal follow-up, death searching through the Social Security Death Master File (SSDMF) and to obtain cost and utilization information from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
5. Physical Assessment will be performed on all subjects: A limited assessment will be performed including height, weight, arm span, waist circumference, blood pressure, heart rate, and room air oxygen saturation by pulse oximetry with the subject seated at rest.

Blood pressure will be measured three times with the subjects seated and resting for at least five minutes. If heart rate is less than 50 or greater than 110 or if the blood pressure is greater than 170/110, a study physician will evaluate the subject to determine if it is safe to administer albuterol and perform a walk test.

6. Pre and post-bronchodilator spirometry will be performed on all subjects. The maneuvers are performed in a standardized manner. To obtain 3 acceptable measures, the technician may ask the subject to perform up to 8 attempts. Spirometry is performed before and then repeated approximately twenty minutes following the administration of two puffs (180 mcg) of albuterol from a metered dose inhaler with a spacer. Spirometry will be performed with the subject in a seated position with a nose clip in place.
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