

# Wearables for Precision Health

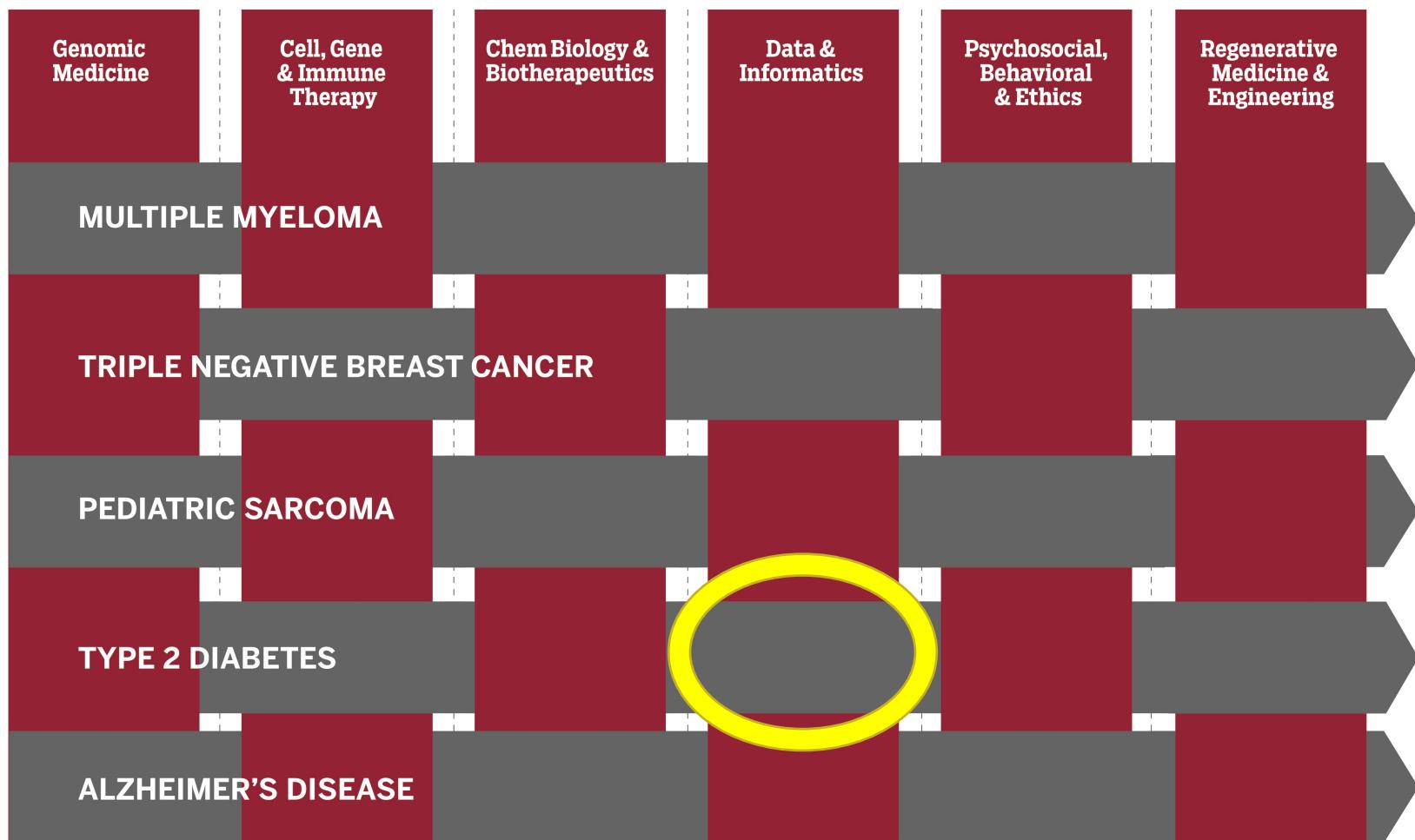
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# IU Grand Challenge Precision Health Initiative

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The goal of the IU Precision Health Initiative is to position Indiana University among the leading universities in discovering and developing better treatments, preventions and improved health outcomes in specific human diseases through a more precise understanding of the genetic, developmental, behavioral and environmental factors that contribute to an individual's health.



# IU Precision Diabetes Program

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PI's: Drs. David Haas and Kay Connelly

# Gestational Diabetes (GDM)



14% of pregnancies



60-70% develop T2D  
in 5-10 years



# Phase I Overview

- **Leaders:** David Haas & Kay Connelly
- **Hypothesis:** Genetic, blood-based, and behavioral/digital biomarkers can be identified that distinguish gradations of risk for future Type 2 diabetes beyond usual clinical measures

Population

NuMoM2b Cohort

Hoosier Moms Cohort



Analysis

Biomarker Discovery

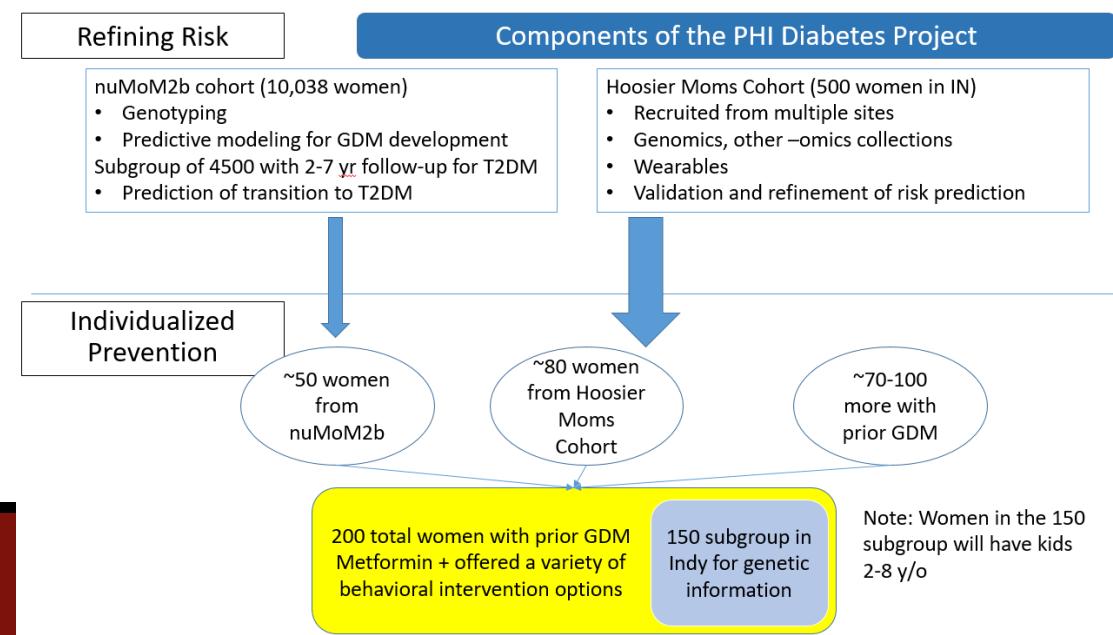
Directed refinement of discovery Tools

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Outcomes

Provide novel discoveries regarding GDM-related diabetes risk that inform preventive care strategies regarding pathways to diabetes in this unique subset of diabetes

# Phase II Overview

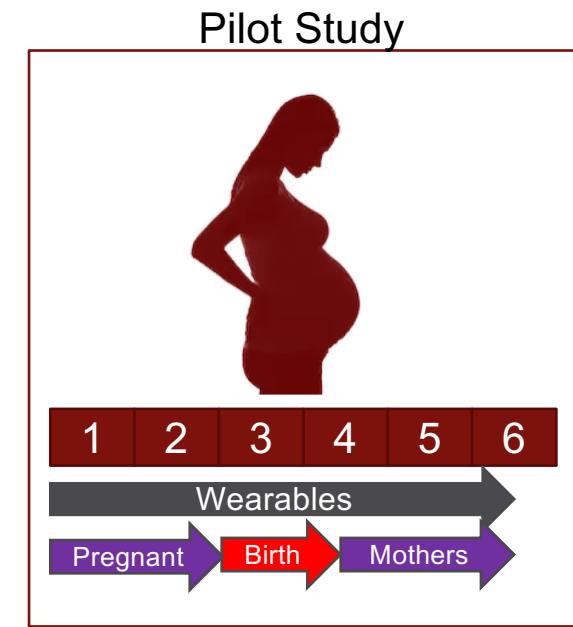
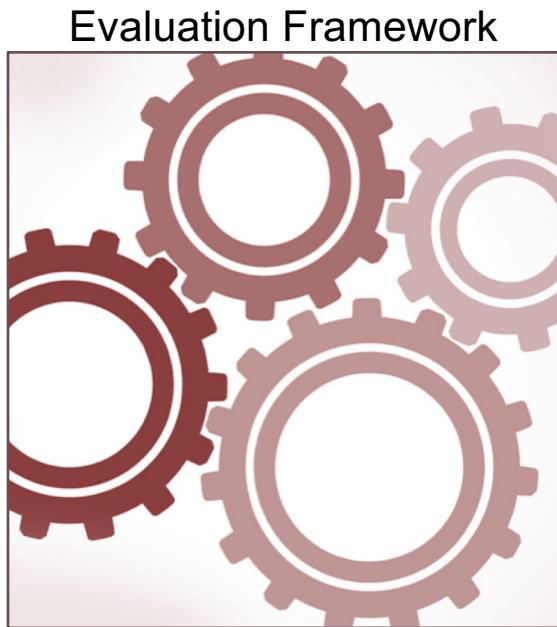
- **Leaders:** Tami Hannon & Jen Wessel
- **Hypothesis:** Genetic and other molecular information, together with psychological and sociodemographic features of the individual, can inform the delivery of prevention intervention and enhance the effectiveness and patient-centered value of these interventions



# Behavioral Data: Wearable... But Which One?

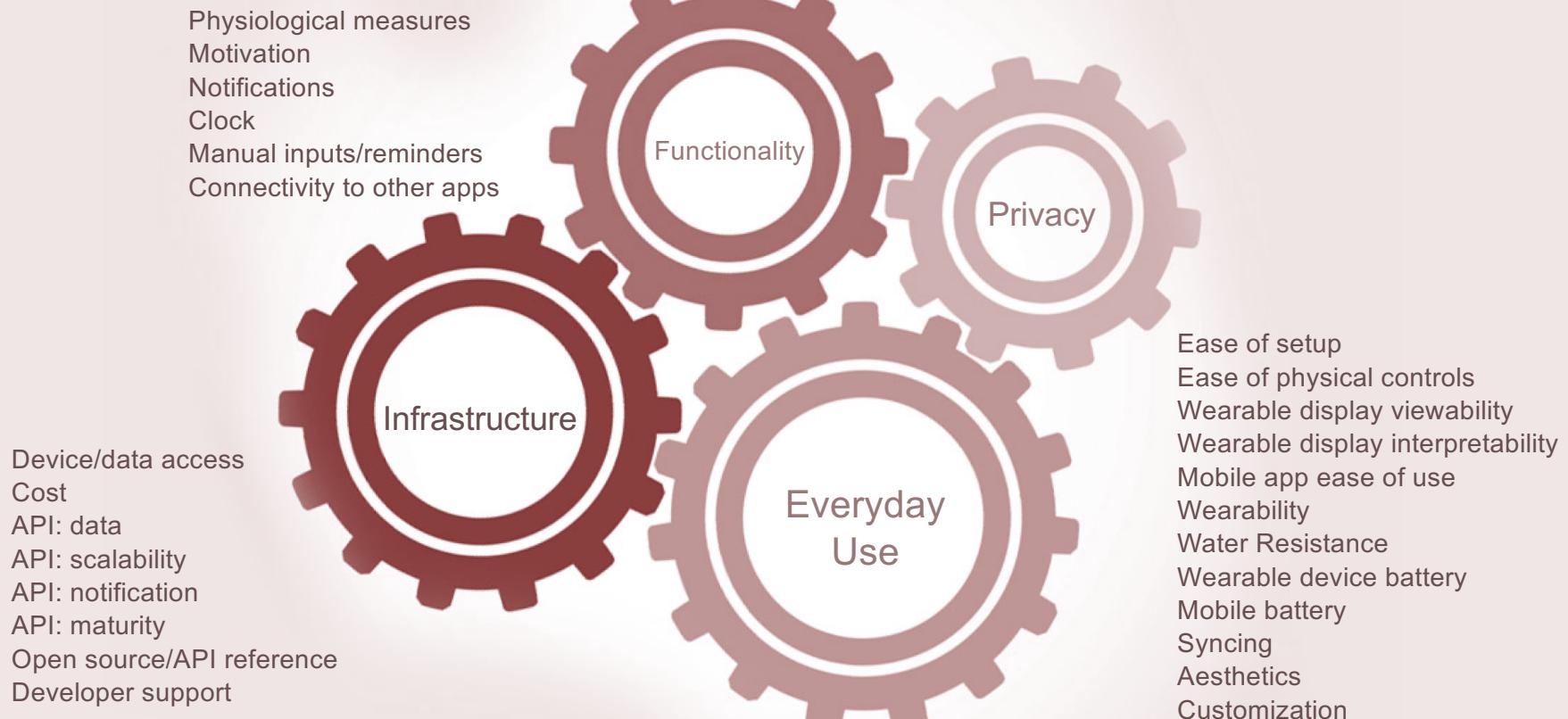


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Narrowing Selections → Final Selection → Testing & Understanding Use

# Evaluation Framework



# Narrowing Selections



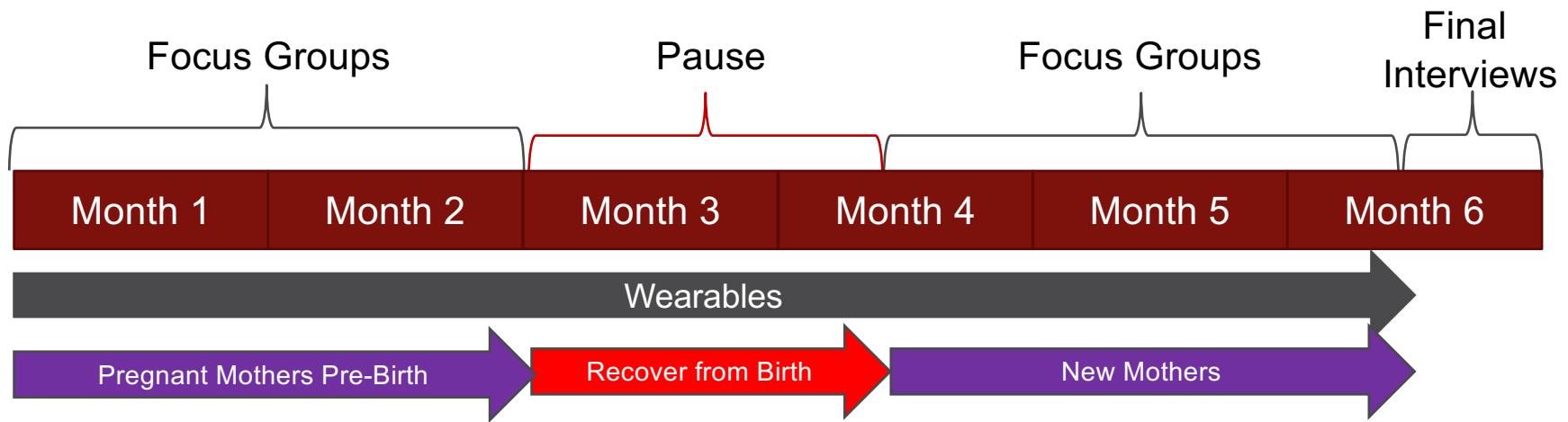
- Identified 10 devices at proper cost point (<\$150)
- Prioritized features for women of young children (e.g. active lifestyle => battery life, water proof, etc...)
- Narrowed to 3 devices:



# Usability Study



# Pilot Study



- 38 participants, 8 weeks before & after birth
- Wearable feedback: Did they like the form? Features? App?
- Wearable usage: Did they wear it? Charge it? Sync regularly?
- Did the feedback or usage change pre/post birth?

# Pilot Study: Major Findings

## Form Factor

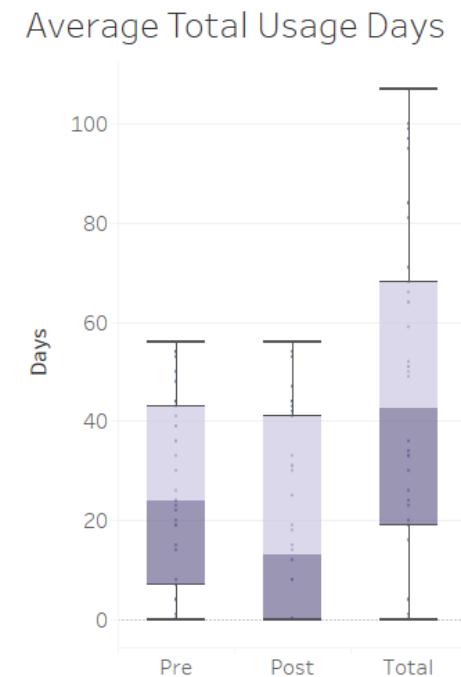
*“The only issue thus far has been that it is a bit bulky/unnatural feeling to wear. I am not in the habit of wearing bracelets, watches, etc., so I have found it particularly noticeable. I have been removing it at night for comfort, so have not been able to take advantage of sleep monitoring.” [A007]*



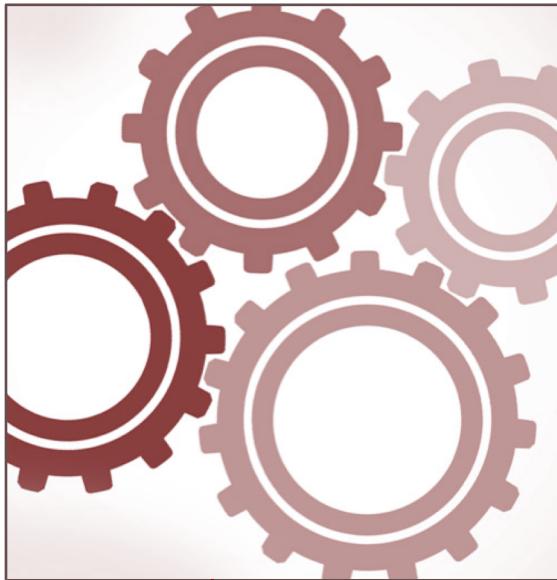
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## Post Pregnancy Use

- Drop in usage post-pregnancy
- Participants noted being “too busy” and/or “too tired” to be exercising
- Viewed device to be an exercise tracker rather than a lifestyle tracker



# Behavioral Data: Wearable



Data Collection Infrastructure

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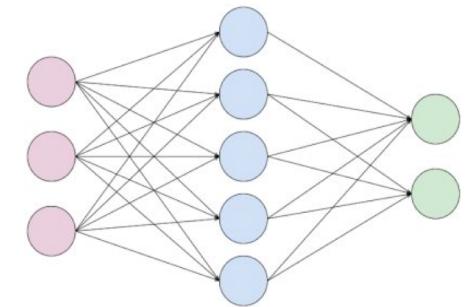
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# GDM Models

- NuMoM2B
  - EHR+survey models being produced now
  - Genomic data added in fall
- Hoosier Mom's Cohort
  - 500 women recruited in their first trimester
    - Current recruitment at n=50
  - Data:
    - EHRs, surveys, genomics
    - + food diaries, wearables
  - Model with behavioral data >1 year out



# Questions?

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