

Grant Name:

US Department of Defense Rare Cancers Research Program for the Office of the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs Resource and Community Development Award (RCDA).

Project Name/Purpose: *A global platform for translational research in Rare Pediatric Brain Tumors.*

Main goals:

Expand the efficiency and extensiveness of the RBTC through:

1. Generating a web-based platform for depository data to be housed and shared collaboratively.
2. Establishing dedicated depositories for both forms of disease (primary or relapsing) and biospecimen (tissue, CSF, and/or blood) intended to aid in the identification of novel biomarkers essential to optimizing diagnostic and treatment measures.
3. Supporting patient-led care through the formation of an advisory board committed to bettering the lives of children and families through circulating current knowledge and representing their voices in the consideration of future RBTC initiatives.