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# One and Done Survey Findings

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# Purpose of Survey

- ▶ Among “one-and-done” investigators:
  - Identify the barriers to conducting FDA-regulated drug trials
  - Identify the barriers that affected their decisions to no longer conduct FDA-regulated drug trials
  - Identify possible solutions for enhancing their experiences in conducting FDA-regulated clinical trials
  - Identify the benefits of conducting FDA-regulated clinical trials

# Why do PIs conduct only one trial?

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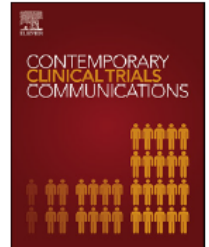
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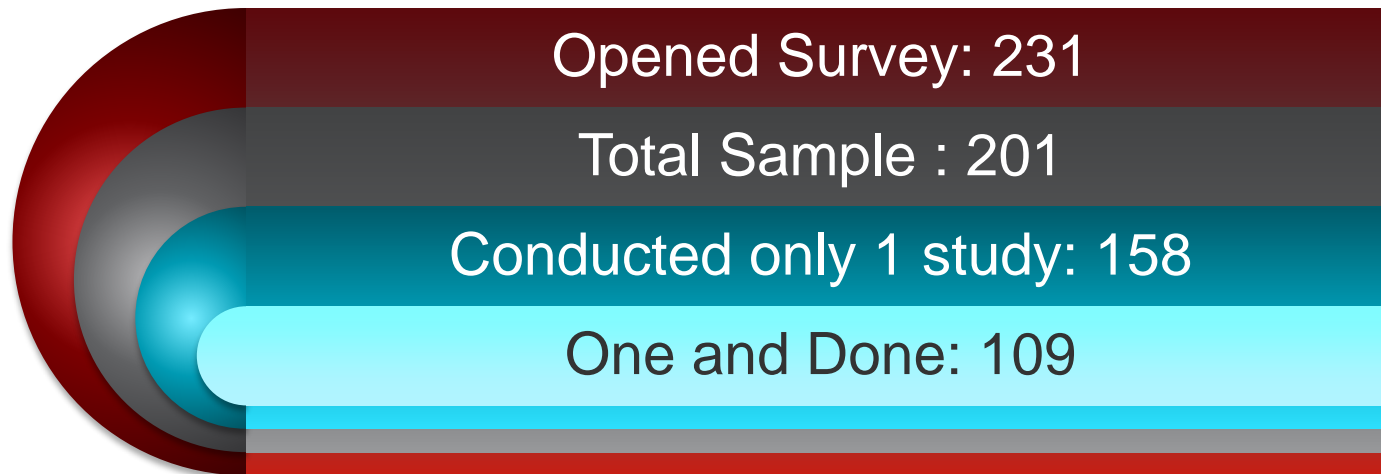
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# One and Done Survey

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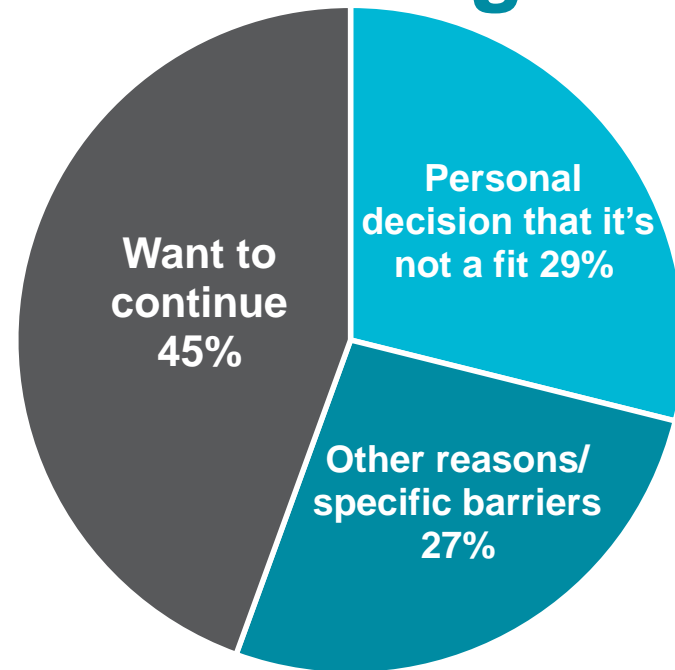
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More than half of respondents were truly “one-and-done”

# Overall reasons for discontinuing

- ▶ Many investigators want to continue
  - A large proportion of respondents wanted to conduct more FDA-regulated trials but lacked opportunities to do so
  - Mechanisms that match interested investigators with research sponsors are needed
- ▶ Identified barriers that affected investigators' decisions to no longer conduct FDA-regulated trials



Future efforts to reduce investigator turnover can target issues that matter the most to investigators

# Hypothesized reasons for only doing one study before investigator survey



## Finance

- Sponsor/site contract negotiations
- Sponsor/site budget negotiations
- Final contract
- Final site budget
- Schedule of site payments



## Data and safety reporting

- Amount
- Method
- Frequency

# Question sequence

- The six categories of barriers were presented, one by one
- After naming the barrier category, a question followed asking if the barrier in general has been problematic in some way
  - If yes, investigators were asked their perceptions about several sub-factors in the overall barrier category
    - Investigators who indicated that they had made a personal decision to no longer conduct FDA-regulated drug trials or said “other” reason for decision, then asked about effect of sub-factor on decision
  - If no, skipped to next barrier category

# What the survey showed



## Finance

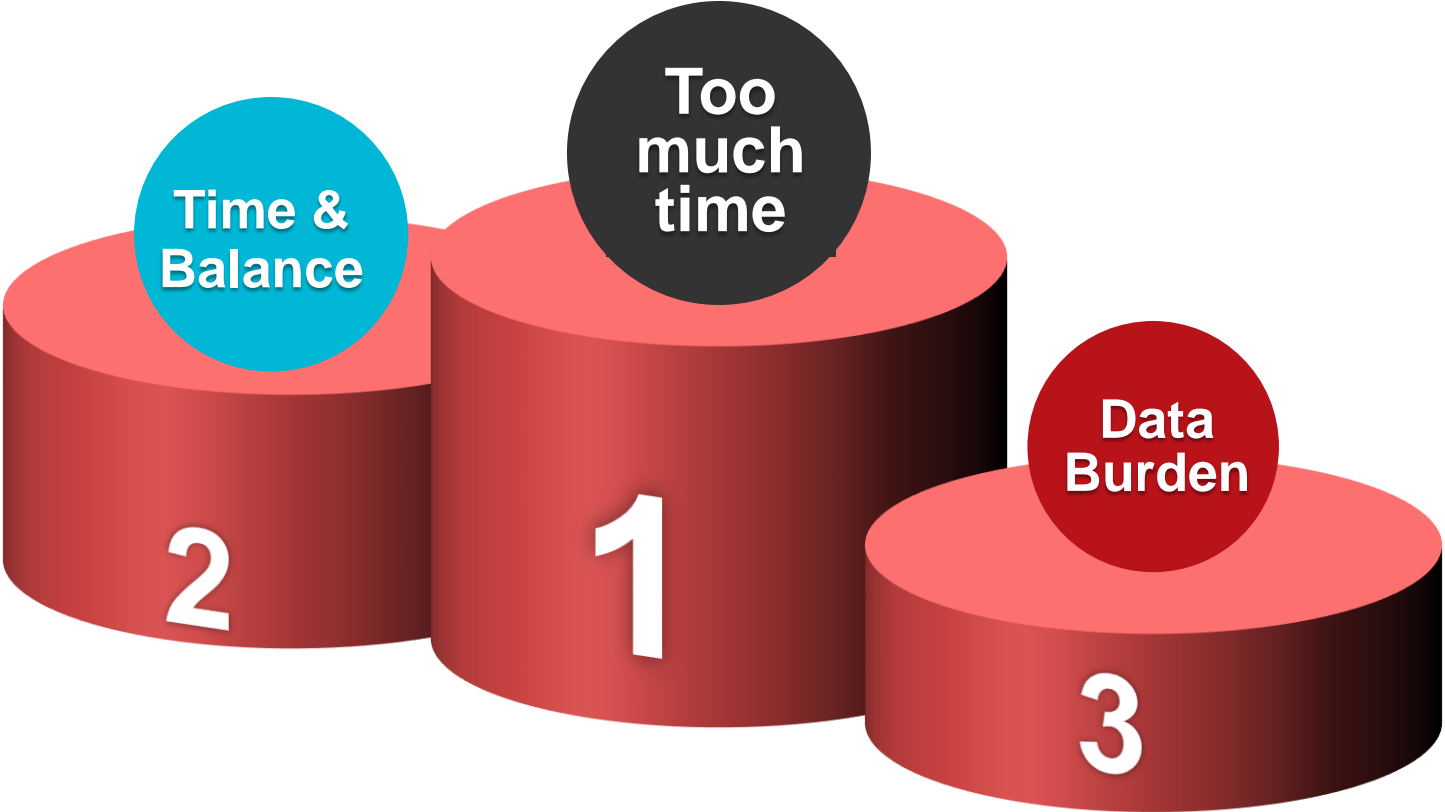
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# Reasons “one-and-done” investigators no longer conduct FDA-regulated drug trials



## Burden of data and safety reporting

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## Dissatisfaction with trial finance

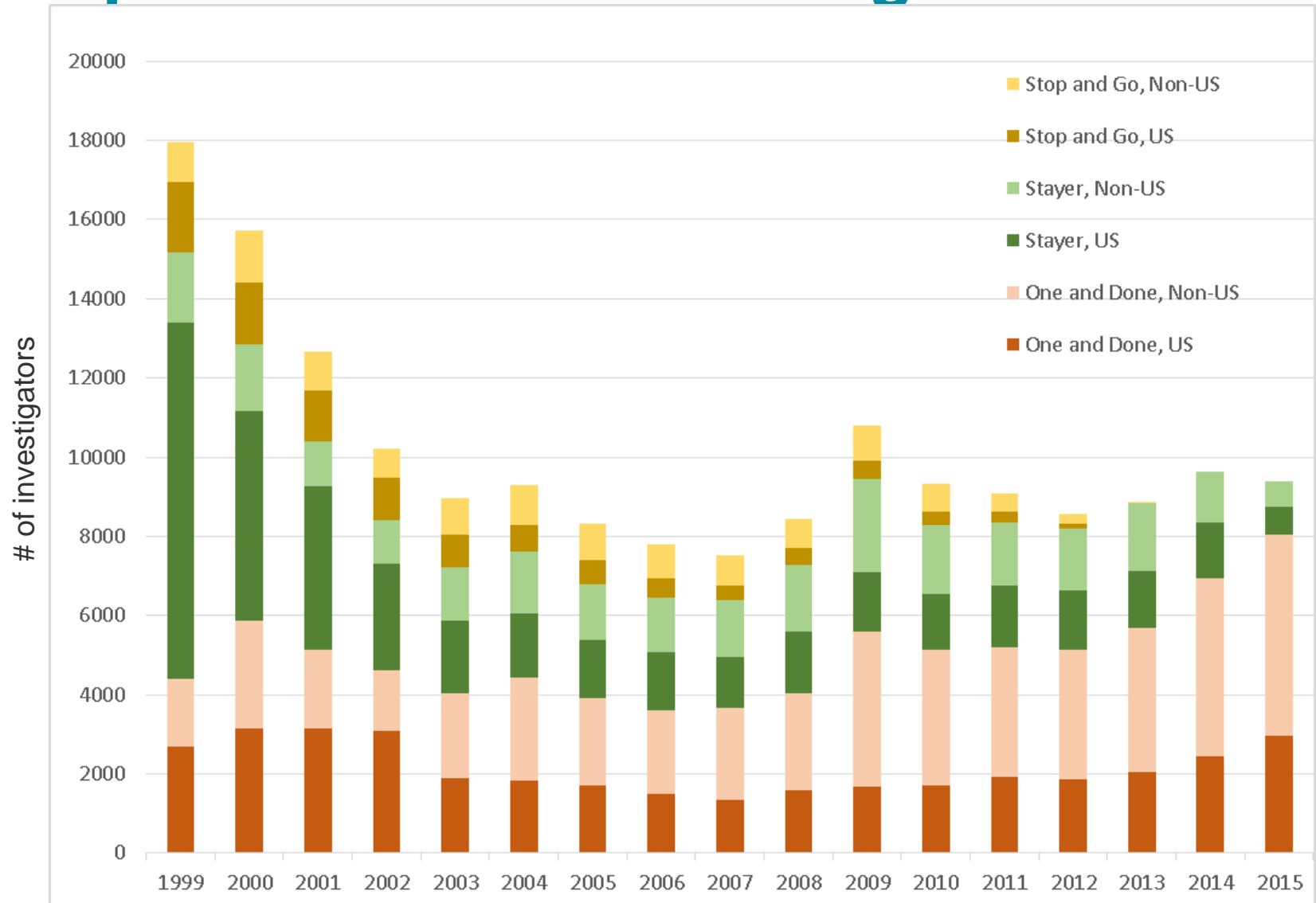
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# What Investigators Had to Say About Other Barriers

*“Too much effort, without enough help, with too much bureaucracy, for no recognition (no authorship of paper, no kudos or appreciation from my section chief, etc.)”*

*“Conducting research costs me money, the time and effort is not paid and takes me away from the financially rewarding parts of my job. There is constant paperwork, site visits, protocol amendments, and need to reconstent. All time sucking.”*

# Temporal Trends in Investigator Turnover



# Discussion

- ▶ After Active Investigator Presentation:
  - What findings did you expect to see that aren't present?
  - What findings were surprising to you?
- ▶ Later today:
  - What findings are important for informing next steps and recommendations?

# THANK YOU.



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