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**Entering the
Era of Evidence:
Clinical Trials in
Autoimmune Encephalitis**

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***We WILL discuss off-label use of medications - because there are none on label!**

OUR AGENDA

1. Background on Autoimmune Encephalitis
2. Why we need Trials
3. Overview of Current Trials in Autoimmune Encephalitis

Imperative of Responsibility

- Study Design:

- Partnering
 - Power
 - Purpose – learn and advance field?
 - Primary Endpoints - must be MEANINGFUL - Right patient for the Right trial
- Importance of each patient, necessity of collaboration + referral
- Opportunity of this moment in time
- Responsibility – to patients (*informed consent, all options*), to funders, to collaborators, and to colleagues.