Benaroya Research Institute (BRI) is the clinical network hub of Type 1 Diabetes (T1D) TrialNet, an international collaboration of the world’s leading researchers in type 1 diabetes for more than 20 years. TrialNet explores ways to prevent, delay and slow progression of the disease in families over time.

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**How TrialNet Helps Those with T1D**

Many people with type 1 diabetes are still producing small amounts of insulin at the time of diagnosis. TrialNet looks for treatments that can help extend insulin production since even small amounts of natural insulin production can decrease long-term complications and improve disease management.

For relatives of people with type 1 diabetes — who are at 15 times the risk of developing the disease — TrialNet offers a unique risk screening test that can identify those persons with the highest risk years before symptoms appear.

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Help for the newly diagnosed

TrialNet researchers are currently testing whether a drug used alone or in combination with another drug will help those newly diagnosed (within the last three months) continue to make some of their own insulin.

A pilot study found that those who received the combination maintained insulin production for up to one year after treatment compared to the untreated group who experienced a nearly 40 percent decline.

Prevention studies

Based on screening results, individuals may be eligible to join one of three prevention studies. Each study tests a medication — oral insulin, abatacept and teplizumab — to see if the drug can help delay and/or prevent onset of type 1 diabetes. All of the medications have shown promise in earlier clinical studies.

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