

Traumatic brain injury research

Precision medicine may link the right [therapy](#) to the right [patient](#) including new [approaches](#) to [Traumatic brain injury classification](#) beyond the [Glasgow coma scale](#) or anatomical phenotyping-incorporating new genetic and physiologic approaches. Therapeutic breakthroughs may also come from alternative approaches in clinical [investigation](#) ([comparative effectiveness](#), [adaptive clinical trial design](#), use of the [electronic medical record](#), [big data](#)). The full continuum of [care](#) must also be represented in [translational](#) studies, given the important clinical role of pre-hospital events, extra-cerebral insults in the [ICU](#), and [rehabilitation](#). [Traumatic brain injury research](#) from [concussion](#) to [coma](#) can cross-pollinate and further advancement of new therapies. Misconceptions can stifle/misdirect TBI research and deserve special attention. Finally, Kochanek et al. synthesize an approach to deliver therapeutic breakthroughs in this golden age of TBI research ¹⁾.

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