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## Background

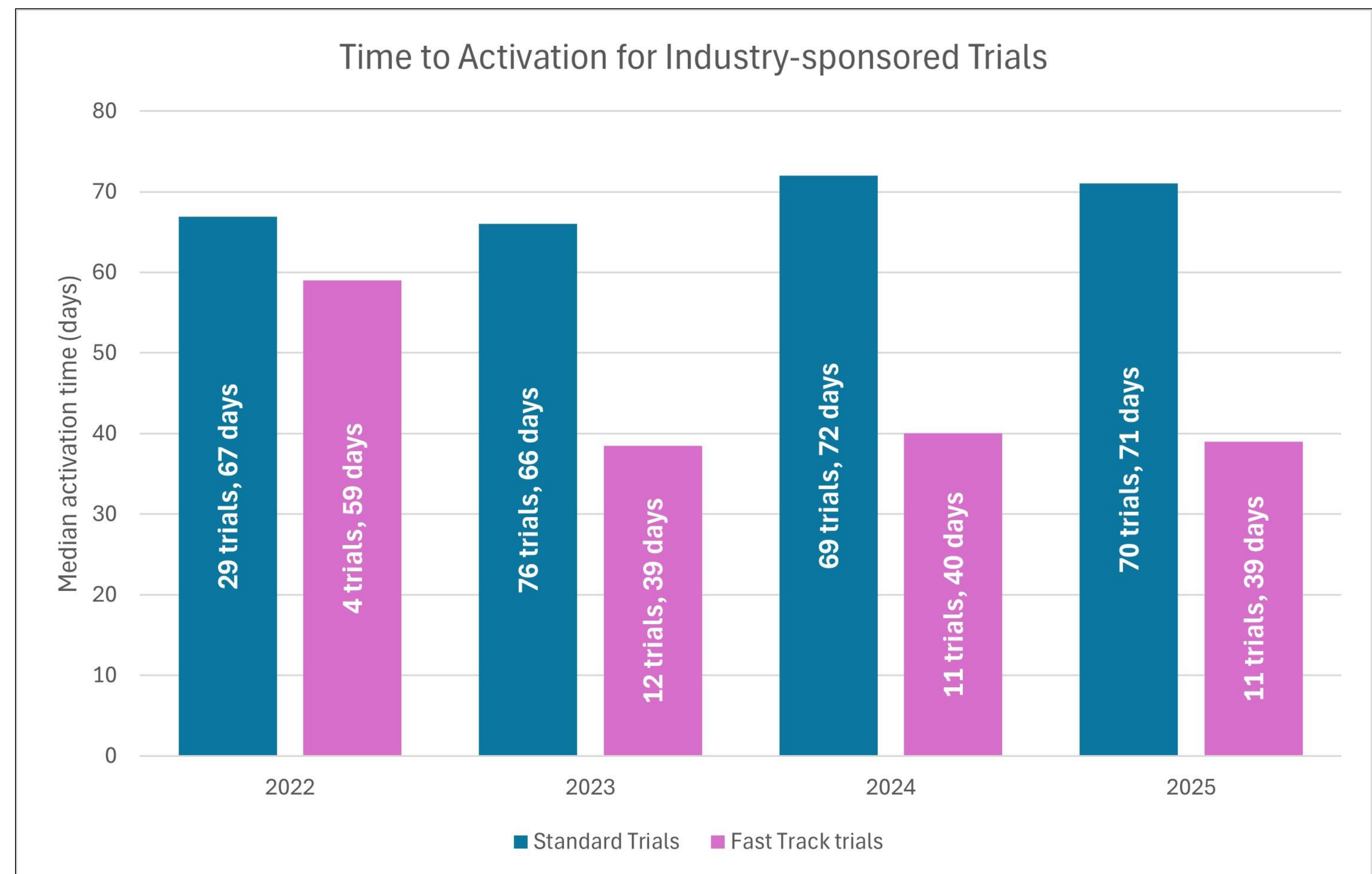
- Timely clinical trial activation is critical to ensure efficient patient access and enrollment
- Lengthy activation time is often the result of bottlenecks including multiple committee reviews, contract and budget negotiations, and workflow inefficiencies
- To help address these challenges, in 2022 the Perlmutter Cancer Center Clinical Trials Office at NYU Langone Health implemented an accelerated activation option (Fast Track) for select industry-sponsored trials

## Goals

The primary goal of this initiative is to fine-tune the process involved in selecting trials for Fast Track activation and to optimize workflows involved in the startup process to ensure that Fast Track trials are activated within the targeted activation time

## Solutions and Methods

- 1. Intake Questionnaire:** A questionnaire was developed for sponsors to define expectations, assess readiness, and ensure adherence to Fast Track requirements. Questions identify potential startup bottlenecks, and startup milestone dates must be agreed upon. As new issues are identified during startup, new questions are added as a preventative measure for future trials. The PI answers a separate questionnaire aimed to justify use of Fast Track activation.
- 2. Personnel allocation:** The implementation of floater Pre-Activation Specialists ensures that regulatory staff’s bandwidth is accounted for and that workloads remain manageable. A dedicated Fast Track Manager was hired to maintain oversight of Fast Track trials.



## Outcomes

- By optimizing processes involved in our Fast Track accelerated activation program, we have consistently activated these trials within target timelines
- Further fine-tuning these workflows will continue to ensure the success of the program

## Lessons Learned and Future Directions

- Our accelerated activation program has proven to be an attractive option for sponsors interested in activating trials at a major academic university setting well under standard timelines
- By continuing to optimize the program, we hope to see additional participation from sponsors
- This approach offers a model for other institutions seeking to adopt an accelerated activation program or to further optimize their existing program