The future of modeling and simulation as the engine for strategic decision-making in pharma development, economics, and therapeutics

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#### Lost at Sea: Survival Items

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F Floating seat/cushion

s Sea chart

c Can of petrol

м Mosquito net

s Sextant

c Chocolate Bars

Plastic sheet

s Shark repellant

E Emergency rations

R Radio

s Shaving mirror

F Fishing rod

R Rope

w Water container





# **Assignment**

- Each individual to rank the survival items (consider one survival fact): 10 min
- As a group, rank the survival items (consider all 5 survival facts): 10 min
- Review simulation outcomes as a group
- 4 Create a revised group ranking of items
- 5 Compare to Coast Guard survival items ranking

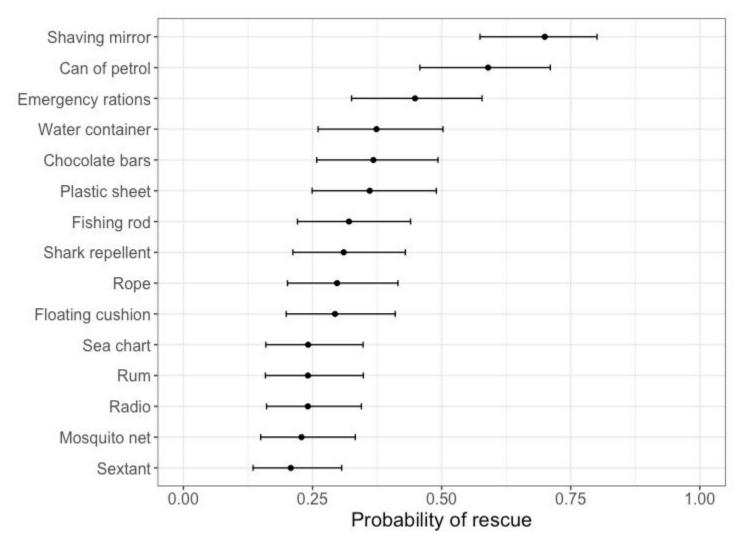


#### **Lost at Sea: Facts**

- In 2002, a group lost at sea in the Atlantic was rescued when they made radio contact with a passing cargo ship
- Time to rescue is the most important determinant of shipwreck survival
- In 1945, the USS Indianapolis was sunk by two Japanese torpedos in one of the most devastating naval losses of World War II. About 900 out of the 1196-man crew made it into the water alive. It is estimated that up to 150 of those crew members died from shark attacks. A total of 317 survived.
- Rum is useful as a wound antiseptic.
- Death due to dehydration can occur in 3 days (or less in hot weather) and no one normally lives more than about 5-6 days without water.



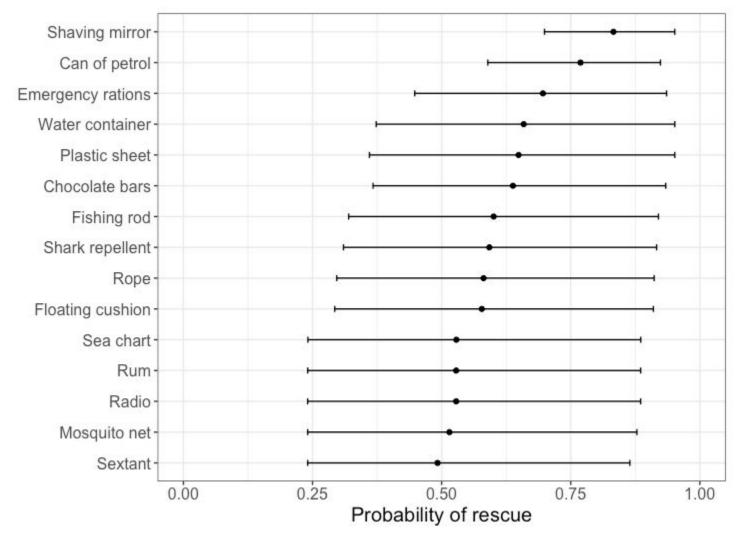
# Probability of rescue with one item







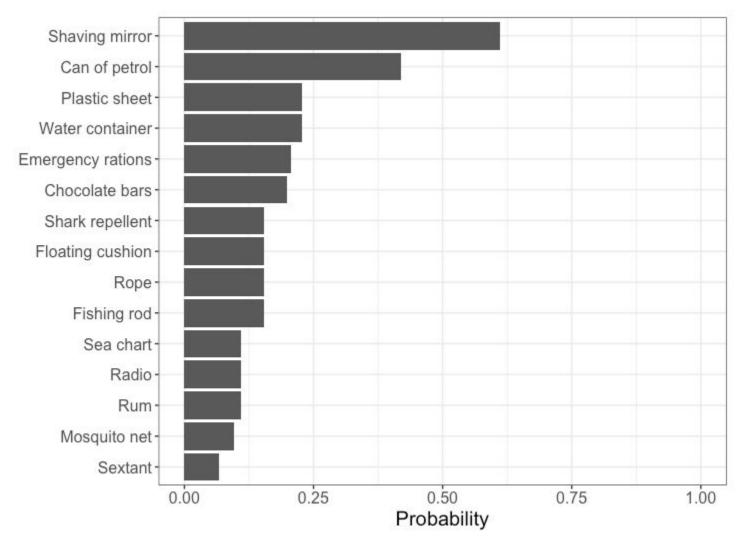
# Three items: mean (range) probability of rescue







# Among sets with high probability, which items are included?







# Lost at Sea: Survival Importance by Coast Guard

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## Psychology of Decision-Making: Themes

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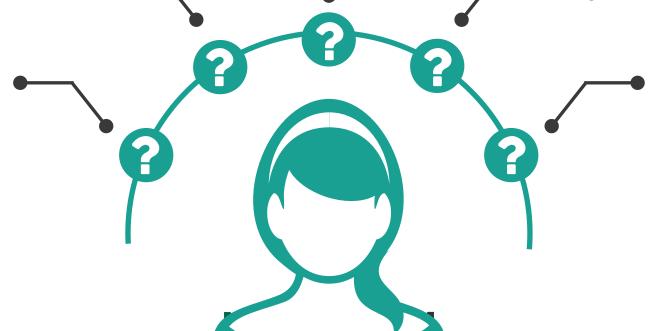
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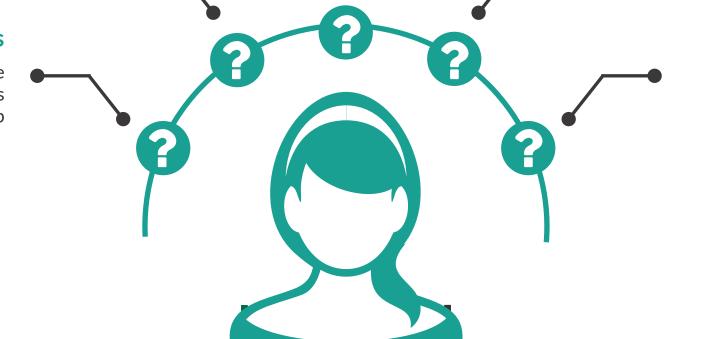
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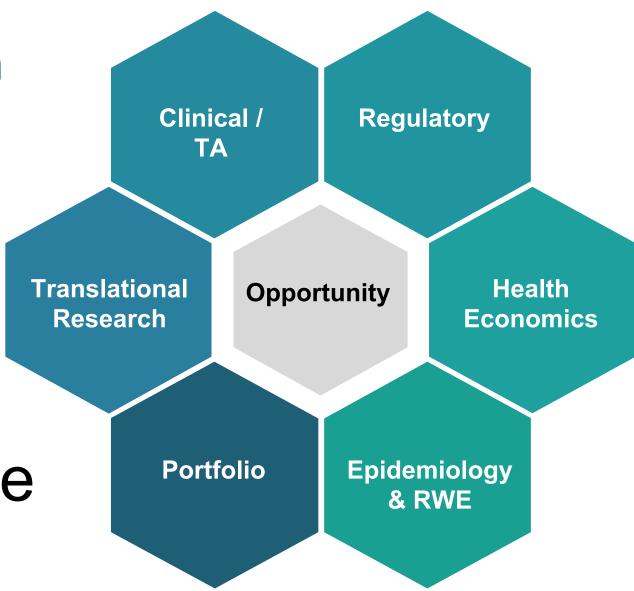


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Extensive domain expertise

Siloed decision-making

Opportunity to improve?









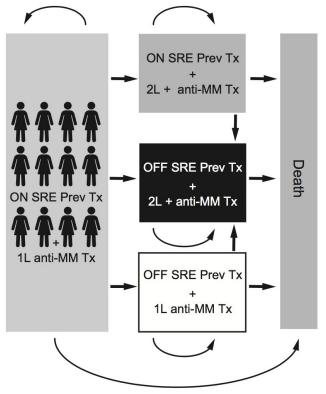




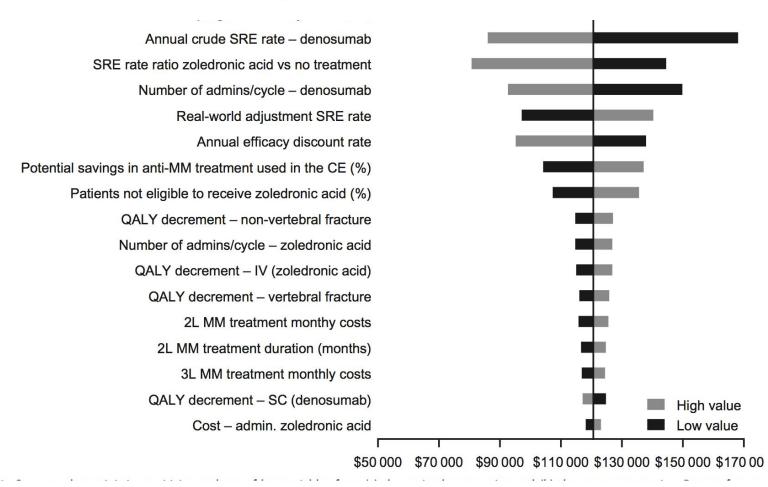


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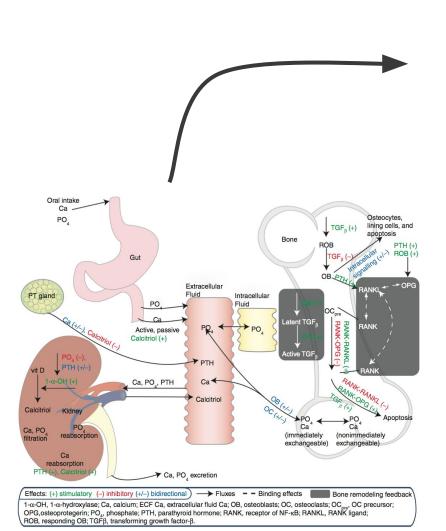
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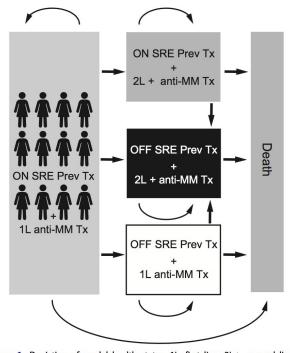


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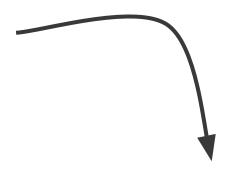


# **Linking MSSP/Fracture Model & Pharmacoeconomics**





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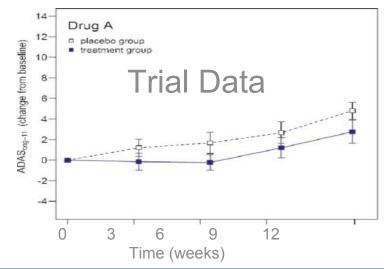
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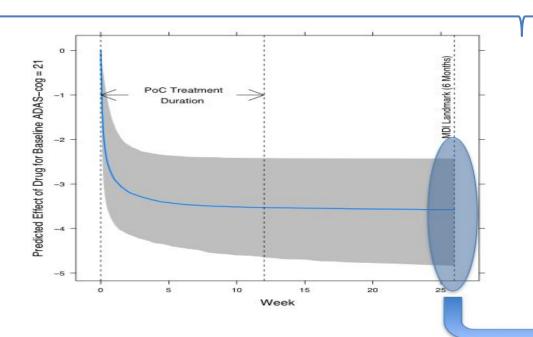
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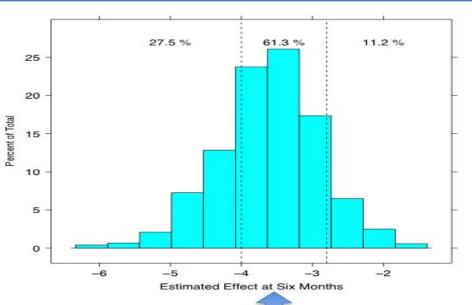
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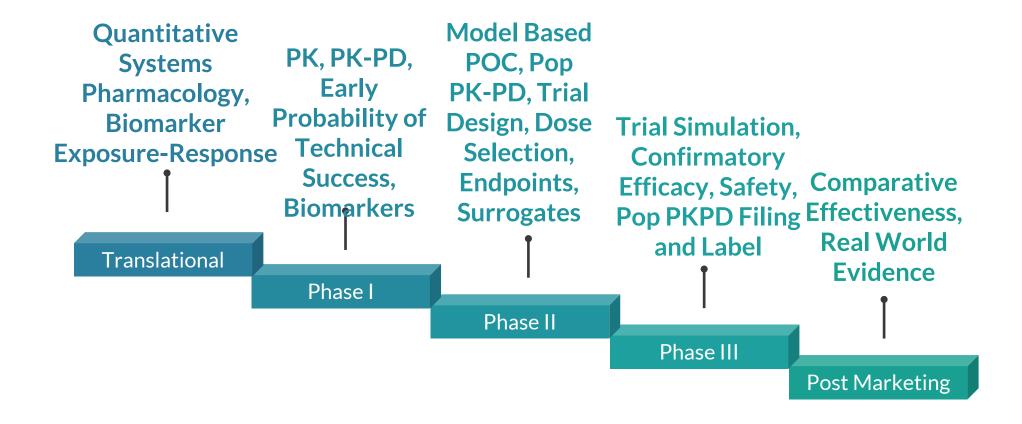






Model Based Projection of Decision Criteria

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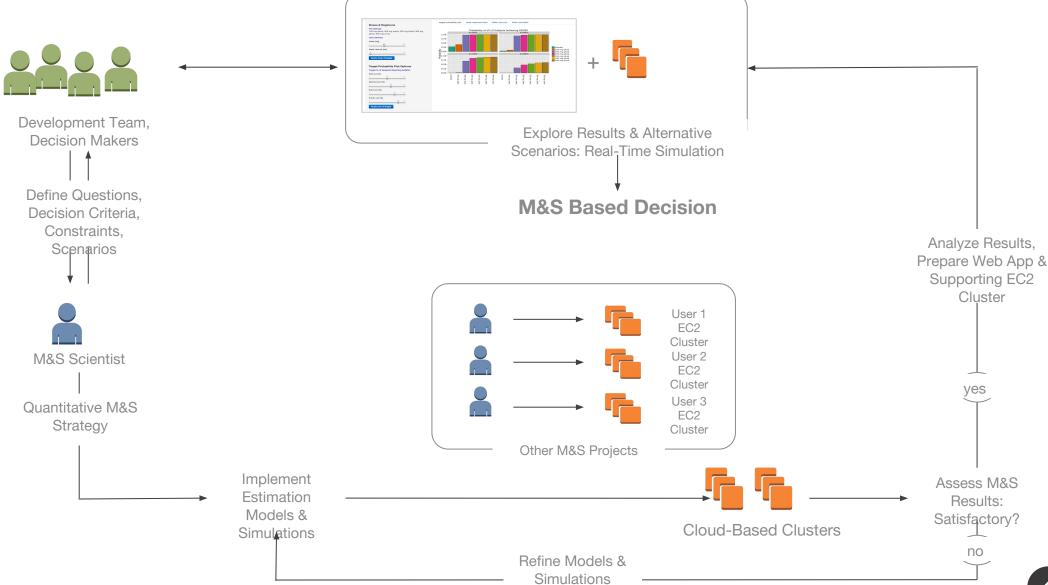
Off-The-Shelf Disease Area Platform Content: Disease Progression, Quantitative Systems Pharmacology, Competitor Model-Based Meta-Analysis, Trial Simulation Tools

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#### Goals for the Future:

- Simulate all trials at time of protocol development
- Plan and implement all modeling & simulation activities in anticipation of the data to be collected in the next trial
- Update simulations and analyses, given interim and final data

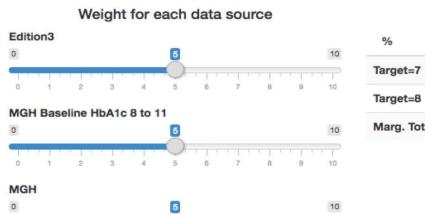
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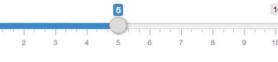


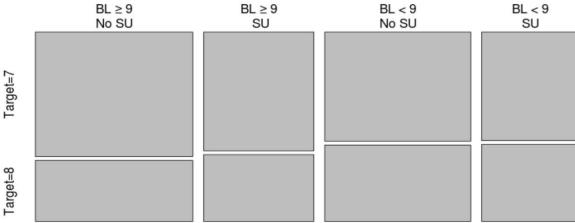
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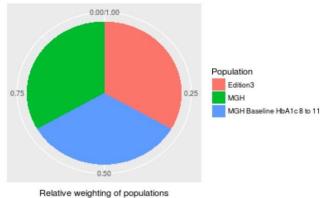


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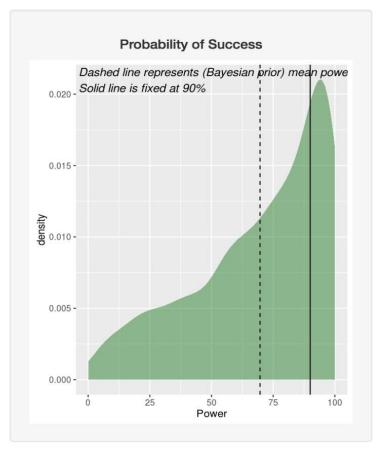


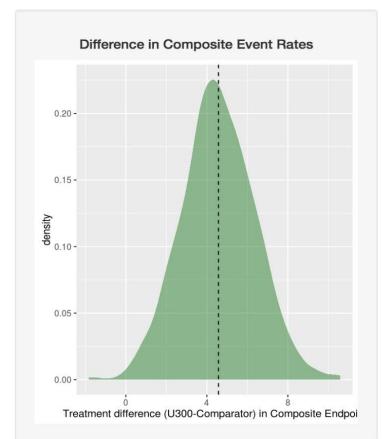


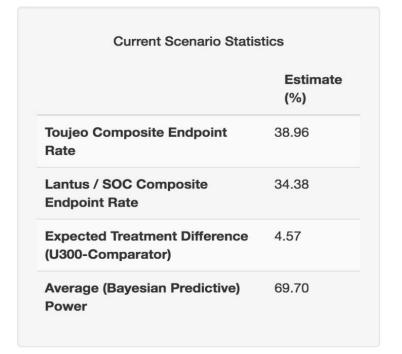
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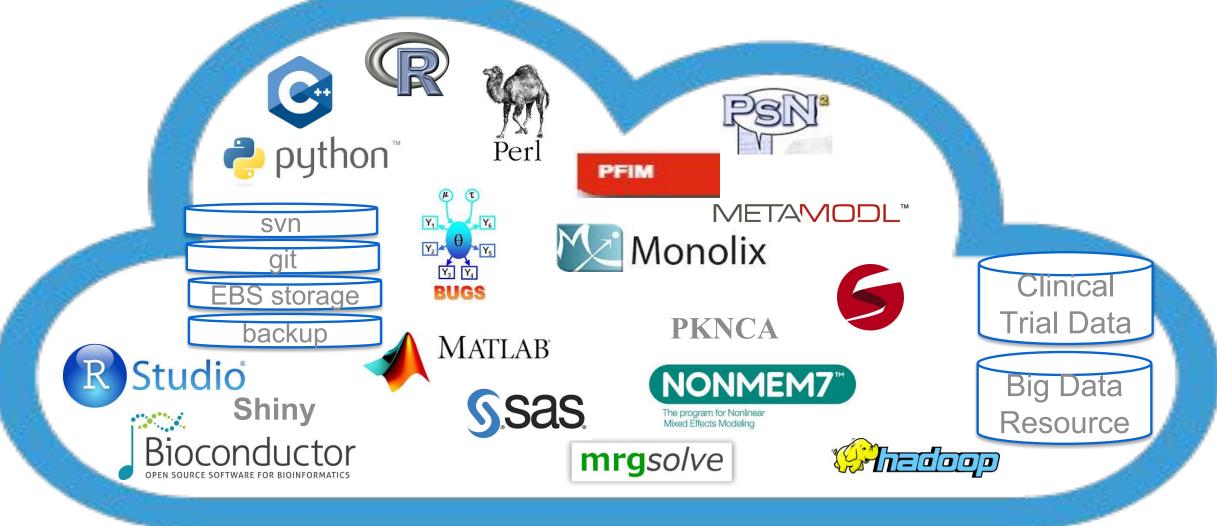




Save Scenario

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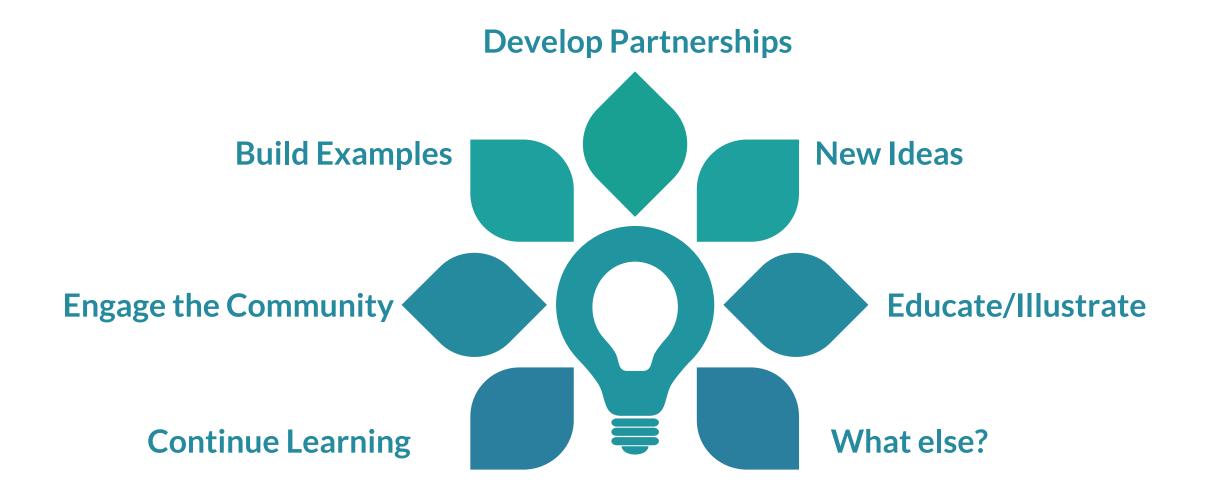
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# Reception

Thank you for your participation.

