Brains for Brains- Plans for the future

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The BRAINS FOR BRAIN Foundation is an International Task Force formed by outstanding scientists and clinicians who are leaders in the neurological field, grouped together with Biotech companies to create coordinated and organised research projects aimed at the comprehension and cure of rare genetic diseases that affect and seriously damage the brain. (Taken from the B4B website).

- B4B has been active for 30 years and has been improving research
- It is an international task force
- European network
- Annual meetings
- Projects like, developing treatment options for MLD
- EU advocacy activities (EU Policies)
- Why is it important to raise EU awareness?

Conditions are rare

Strength in numbers

Training schemes

Clinicians sharing knowledge

Funding joint projects

Summer schools

Pathchooser

Brain Barrier training

- The need to understand the Blood Brain Barrier
- B4B/Metabern collaboration to advance knowledge and research, improve standards and care
- In theory, with ERNs (European Reference Networks) patients can travel between EU countries for healthcare