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# **a<sub>2</sub> NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM**

Empowering Innovation  
in AI/Tech + Aging

**APRIL 3-4, 2025**  
THE HARVARD CLUB | BOSTON, MA

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:



**Pattie Maes, PhD**  
Germeshausen Professor at  
MIT Media Lab



**Jianying Hu, PhD**  
Director of Healthcare and  
Life Sciences Research |  
Global Science Leader, AI  
for Health at IBM

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As technology continues to evolve and shape the future of healthcare, **the a2 Collective invites innovators, academics, and industry leaders to convene at the Harvard Club of Boston on April 3-4, 2025.** Backed by the National Institute on Aging, this one and a half day event is bound to spark dialogue, foster collaboration, and ignite the next wave of transformative ideas in AgeTech, AI, healthy aging, and Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (AD/ADRD).

## **WHY ATTEND?**

This symposium isn't your standard tech event. With a special focus on AI and AgeTech, we're addressing challenges and celebrating innovations to improve care and health outcomes for our aging population. Engage with awardees from four a2PilotAwards cohorts, executives from the healthcare industry, capital allocators, renowned academic experts, clinical researchers, and a host of tech startups ready to shape the future of healthtech. If you're an investor, this is your prime opportunity to meet game-changing startups in the AI, AgeTech, and AD/ADRD space.

## **AGENDA**

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## KEYNOTES FROM LEADING INNOVATORS INCLUDE

### **Pattie Maes, PhD - Opportunities for AI and Wearables to Support Healthy Aging**

Pattie Maes is the Germeshausen Professor of Media Arts and Sciences at the MIT Media Lab. She runs the Fluid Interfaces research group, which does research at the intersection of Human Computer Interaction and Artificial Intelligence with a focus on applications in health, wellbeing and learning. Maes is also a faculty member in MIT's center for Neuro-Biological Engineering. She is particularly interested in the topic of cognitive enhancement, or how wearable, immersive and brain-computer interface systems can actively assist people with issues such as memory, attention, learning, decision making, communication, wellbeing, and sleep.

### **Jianying Hu, PhD - Harnessing AI for Advancing Neurodegenerative Disease Therapeutics**

Jianying Hu is an IBM Fellow and Global Science Leader of AI for Healthcare at IBM. She is also Adjunct Professor of Medicine at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Dr. Hu joined IBM in 2003 after working at Bell Labs. She has over 30 years of experience conducting and leading research on machine learning, with recent focus on AI enabled acceleration of scientific discovery in health. She has published over 150 scientific papers and holds more than 50 patents.

## EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- **Awardee Poster Presentations:** Engage with a2 Pilot Awardees' projects and converse one-on-one with the innovative minds that are advancing AgeTech.
- **Awardee Device Demonstrations:** Go hands-on with cutting-edge technologies and devices from past and present a2 Pilot Awardees!
- **Funders & Dealmakers Reverse Pitches:** Hear directly from top VCs, accelerators, and industry leaders as they unveil the innovations they're eager to back!

**We look forward to seeing you  
in Boston in April 2025!**



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