

The Promise and Reality of Precision Medicine in Northern Ireland



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Day and Date	Lecture	Subject	Venue	Time
Thursday 3 rd October, 2019	Presidential address	Prof Mary F McMullin <i>'Diagnostics in the Future'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs
Thursday 17 th October, 2019	UMS/QUB/NIMDT A Trainee research day	Prof Fionnuala Ní Áinle, Dublin <i>'The patient voice in collaborative academic research'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	09.00-16.00 hrs
Thursday 7 th November, 2019	UMS The Robert Campbell Oration	Prof Cecilia O'Kane, QUB <i>'Advanced therapeutics for the acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS)'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs
Thursday 14 th November, 2019	Joint meeting with Belfast City Hospital Medical Staff	Prof Dr Jorg Goldhahn, Institute of Translational Medicine, Zurich <i>'Artificial intelligence will make doctors obsolete?'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs
Thursday 28 th November, 2019	The Desmond Whyte Lecture	Prof Manuel Salto-Tellez, QUB <i>'The promise and reality of precision medicine in N. Ireland.'</i>	Altnagelvin Centre for Medical and Dental education	Buffet 17.00 hrs Lecture 18.00 hrs
Thursday 12 th December, 2019	UMS	Prof Eileen Murphy, Professor of Archaeology, QUB <i>'Life and Death in Medieval Ireland: Insights from Palaeopathology'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs
Thursday 9 th January, 2020	Joint meeting with Ulster Obs and Gynae Society	Prof Basky Thilaganathan, Prof of Fetal Medicine, London <i>'Preeclampsia is a placental disorder: lies, damn lies and medical science''</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs
Thursday 23 rd January, 2020	The Gary Love Lecture Joint meeting with Ulster Society for History Medicine	Dr Harriet Wheelock, Keeper of Collections, Royal College of Physicians of Ireland <i>'Managing the heritage of Irish medicine-tales from the archives'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs
Thursday 6 th February, 2020	UMS	Dr Jyoti Nangalia, Sanger Centre, Cambridge <i>'Towards personalised medicine in blood cancers'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs

Thursday 27 th February, 2020	UMS	Dr Brenda Moore-McCann, Dublin <i>'Medical Semiotics and its influence on art, psychoanalysis and Sherlock Holmes'</i> and Prof Shaun McCann, Dublin <i>'Microscopes and corkscrews: a future perspective'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs
Thursday 5 th March, 2020	Joint meeting with Belfast City Hospital Medical Staff	Prof Ann Mullally Harvard, USA <i>'The Physician-Scientist: Rewards and Challenges. A Personal Perspective'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs
Thursday 19 th March, 2020	UMS Sir Thomas and Lady Edith Dixon Lecture	Professor Irene Roberts, University of Oxford <i>'GATA1, trisomy 21 and leukaemia- unravelling the link'</i>	BCH Postgrad Centre	20.00 hrs
Friday 3 rd April, 2020	UMS	Annual Dinner	Canada Room QUB	19.30 for 20.00 hrs
Thursday 7 th May, 2020	UMS	Annual General Meeting	UMS Rooms, Whitla Medical Building	17.00 hrs



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“MAY YOU LIVE IN INTERESTING TIMES”

CHINESE CURSE

Frederic R. Coudert at the Proceedings of the Academy
of Political Science, 1939



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1. THE UNSUSTAINABILITY OF THE CURRENT HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE SERVICE

SYSTEMS, NOT STRUCTURES: CHANGING HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE



Expert Panel Report

EXPERT PANEL REPORT

Political Summit: 17th February 2016

The panel along with MLAs and advisors from the DUP, Sinn Fein, UUP, SDLP and Alliance met for a one day health summit to discuss the need for change and agree a set of principles that would guide the panel in structuring a New Model of Health and Social Care for the people of Northern Ireland. Each party provided both verbal and written comments to a 'draft set of principles'. In turn the panel considered all comments and revised the principles to take as many of these on board as possible.

The final set of principles is attached at Annex A.

Engagement

The Panel has engaged extensively with stakeholders across health and social care, and the following key messages were heard consistently:

- The unsustainable nature of the 'status quo'. Major workforce gaps in all areas of the current model of service requiring significant investment in agency staff to maintain the current distribution of acute care.
- Underinvestment in primary and social care, the very services that can prevent hospital admission, because of over-investment in the current hospital model.
- Even with the funding used to purchase independent sector and 'in-house' waiting list initiatives, there are increasing delays for elective care.
- The contribution of unpaid carers and the voluntary sector, and the desire for the voluntary sector to be a trusted partner in care.
- Independent providers are delivering significant elements of care in domiciliary and residential care home settings and are struggling to cope with current funding levels.
- The need to invest in improving the health of our population and to take a more co-ordinated approach to supporting people with complex needs.





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ACHIEVING WORLD-CLASS CANCER OUTCOMES

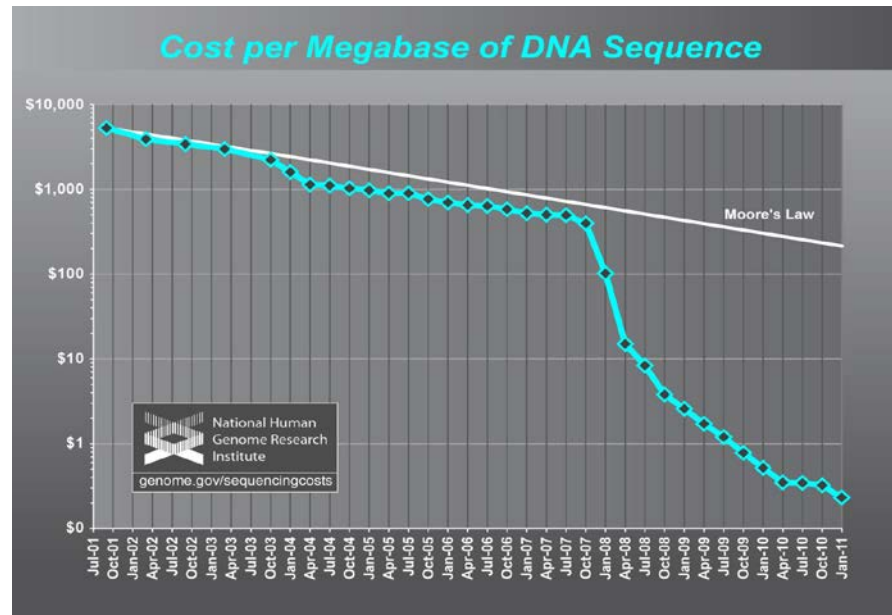
A STRATEGY FOR ENGLAND
2015-2020



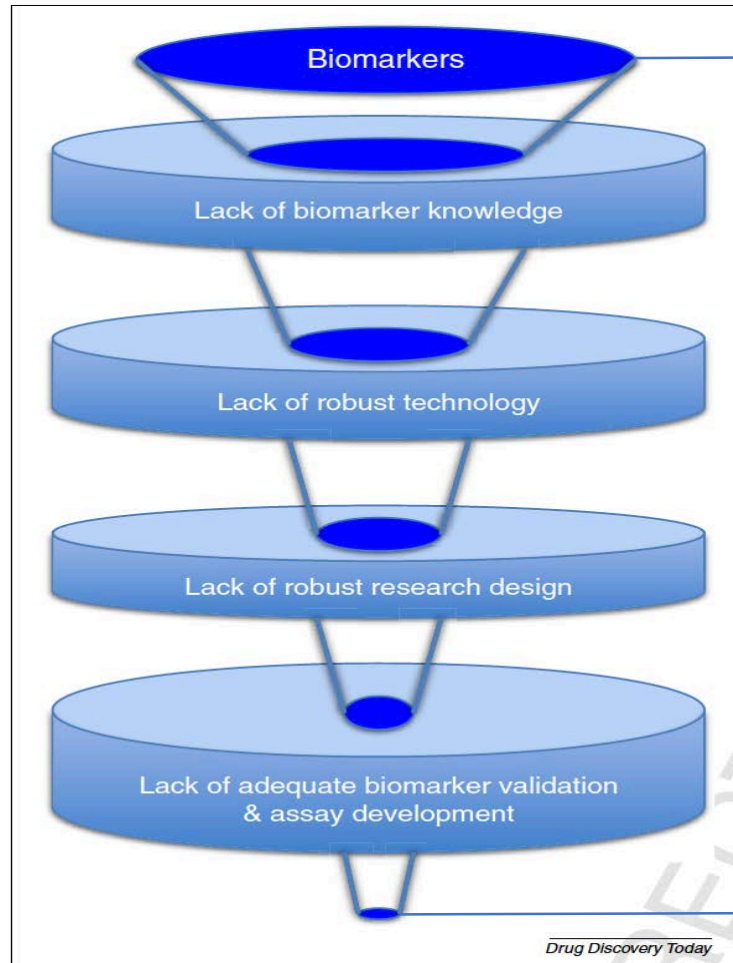
5.8.1 Supportive environment for research –

Recommendation 50: NHS England should ensure commissioners and providers are incentivised to maintain the UK's world-leading position in cancer studies and applied health research. ***This should ensure that as many patients as possible have the opportunity to be part of a study, including in smaller stratified trials.***

Recommendation 51: By the end of 2015, NHS England should publish clear guidance ***that commissioners must meet excess treatment costs for clinical trials accepted on to the NIHR portfolio as part of routine business.*** ETCs for radiotherapy trials should be distributed through a national fund held by NHS England to ensure high quality clinical trials are developed and delivered optimally.

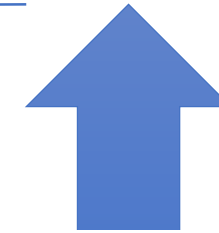


3. THE LACK OF RELEVANCE OF TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH



Drug Discovery Today

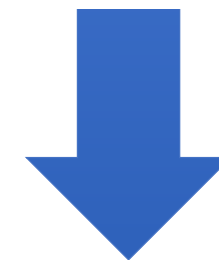
FIGURE 1



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**Why your new cancer biomarker
may never work: recurrent
patterns and remarkable diversity
in biomarker failures.
Cancer Res. 2012 Dec 1;72(23):6097-101**



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*Salto-Tellez & Kennedy.
Drug Discovery Today, 2015*

4. THE CONUNDRUM OF DRUG DEVELOPMENT

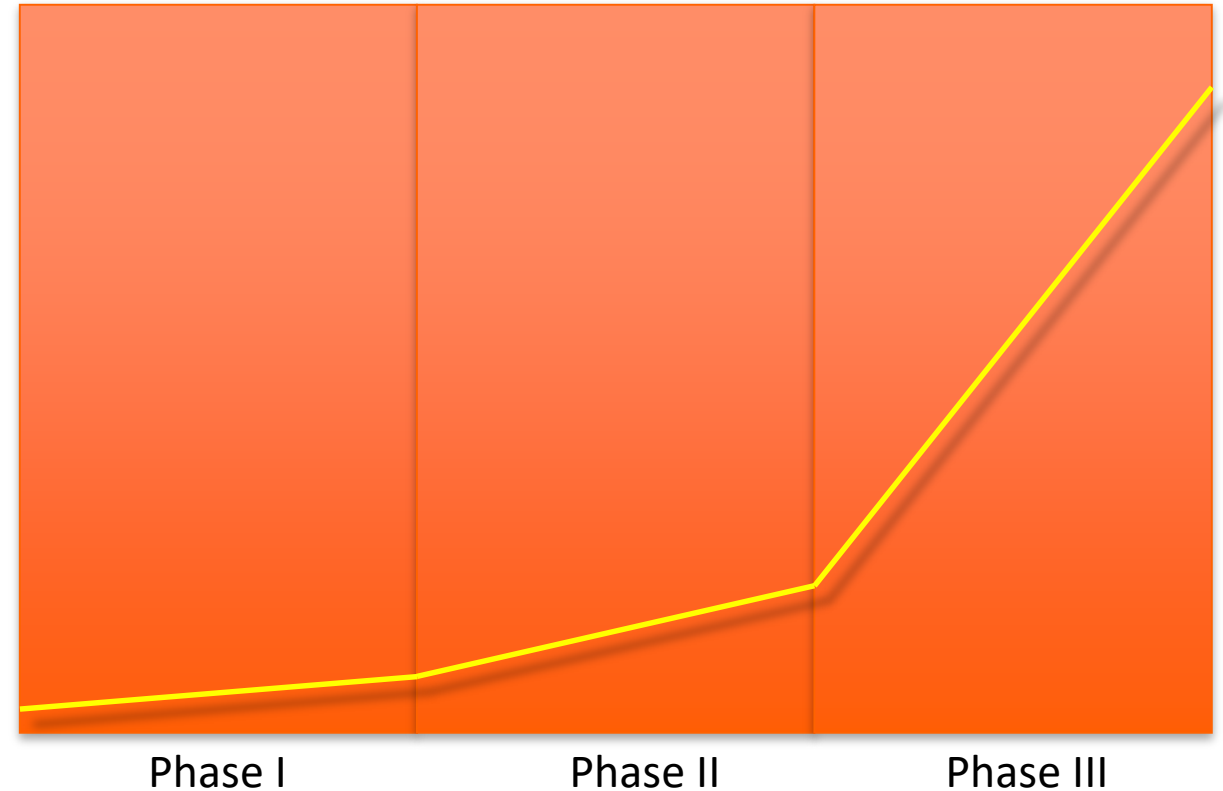
Delivering affordable cancer care in high-income countries

Richard Sullivan, Jeffrey Peppercom, Karol Sikora, John Zalberg, Neal J Meropol, Eitan Amir, David Khayat, Peter Boyle, Philippe Autier, Ian F Tannock, Tito Faja, Jim Siderov, Steve Williamson, Silvia Camporesi, J Gordon McVie, Amie D Purushotham, Peter Naredi, Alexander Eggemont, Murray F Brennan, Michael L Steinberg, Mark De Ridder, Susan A McCluskey, Dirk Verellen, Terence Roberts, Guy Starrie, Rodney J Hicks, Peter J Ell, Bradford R Hirsch, David P Carbone, Kevin A Schulman, Paul Catchpole, David Taylor, Jan Geisler, Nancy G Brinker, David Meltzer, David Kerr, Matti Aapro

Panel 5: Cost of pharmaceutical innovation

A recent study by the Tufts Centre for the Study of Drug Development in the USA estimated that the average cost of a new medicine (including clinical trial outlays, spending on failed molecules, and interest payable on research and development investments, but excluding other costs and all profit contributions) is roughly US\$1.3 billion.¹⁷⁸ Anticancer drug development costs are likely to be more because of high failure rates and above average premarket development periods.¹⁷⁹

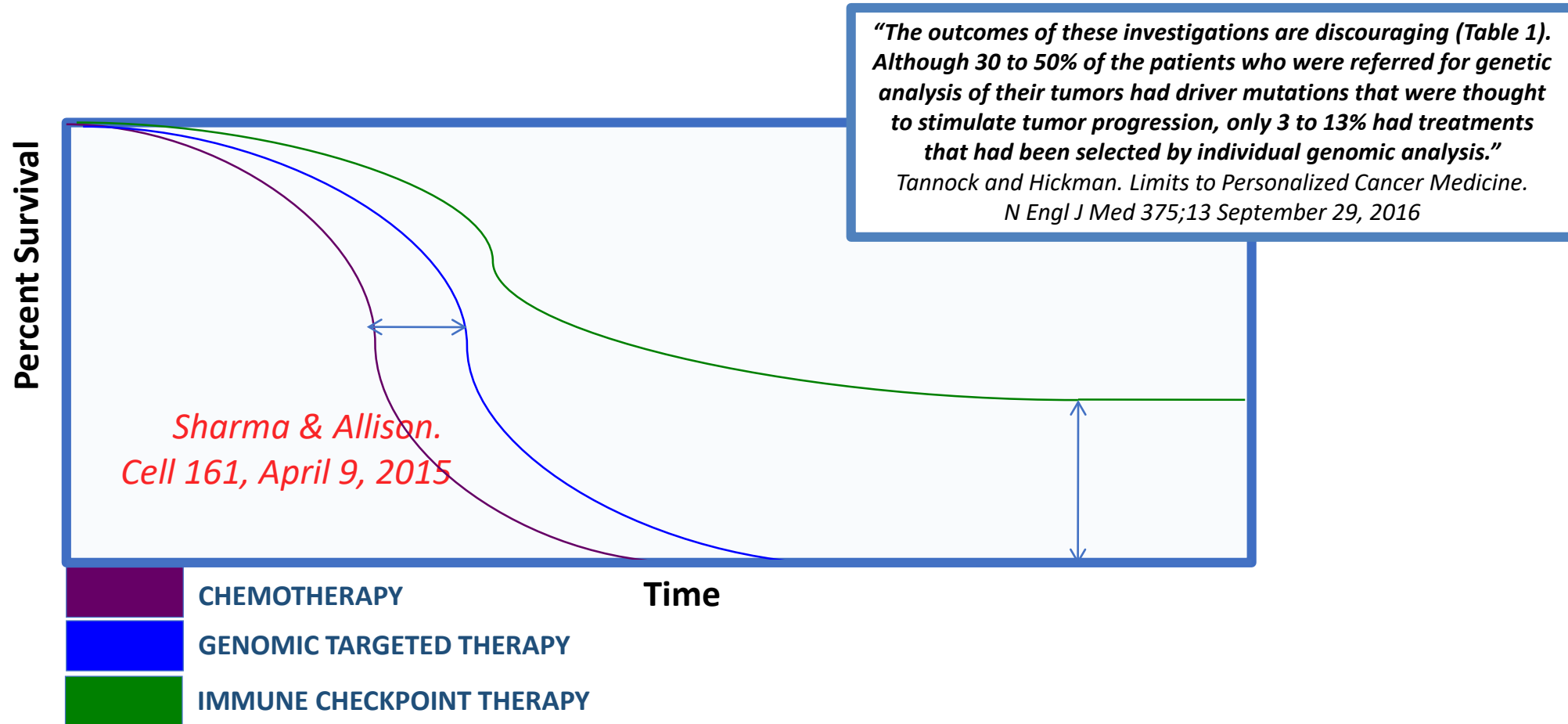
COST



Adapted from: Phasing out phase III trials? How much evidence do we need if the target is clearly hit?^{[L]_{SEP}} Jaap Verweij, Erasmus University Medical Center, Danis Center, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

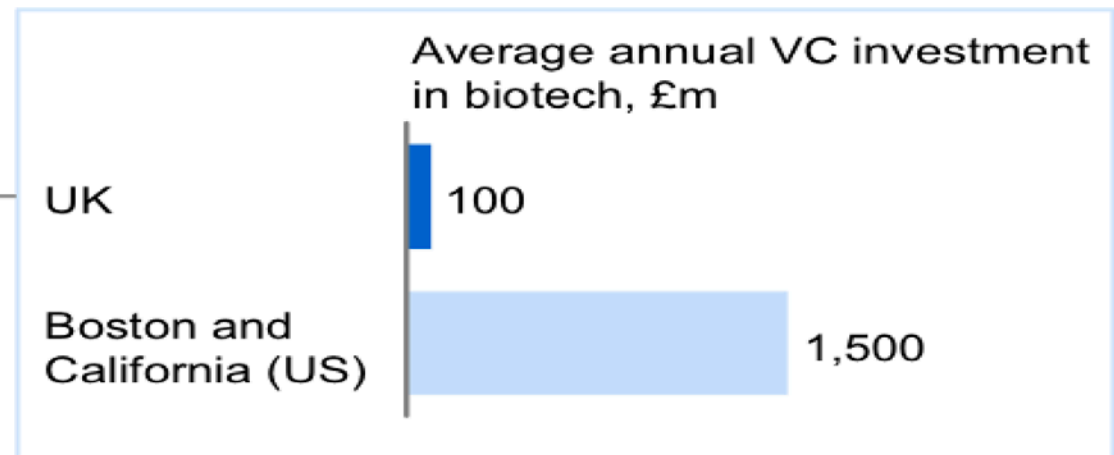
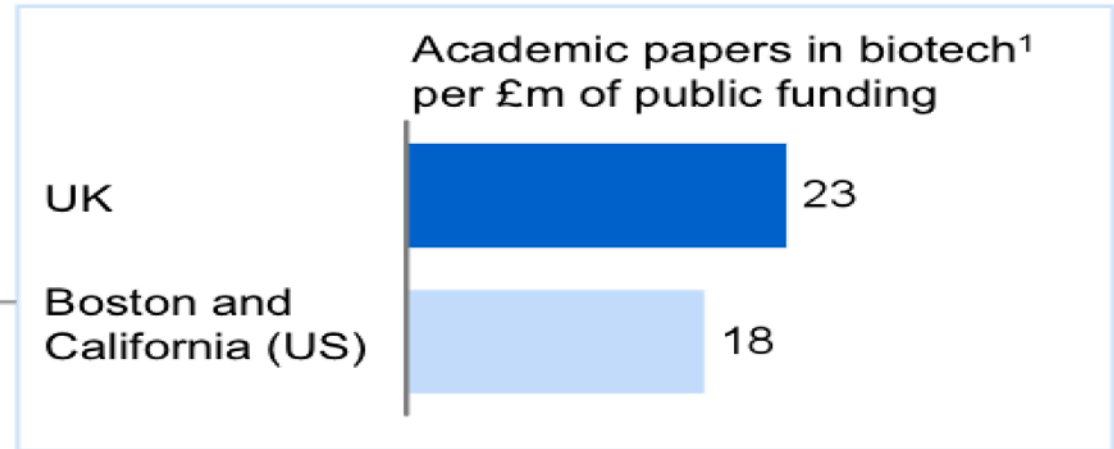
[AACR-NCI-EORTC International Conference on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics November 12-16, 2011 • San Francisco, CA](#)

5. THE RELATIVE RELEVANCE OF PERSONALISED MEDICINE



6. THE INCOMPLETE ECOSYSTEM OF THE UK IN BIOTECH

- Characteristics of successful ecosystems**
1. World leading research
 2. Access to adequate funding for growth and scale-up
 3. Ability to integrate with the health delivery system
 4. Availability of hybrid science + business talent to translate research into business
 5. Global brand awareness of the UK as a life sciences hub



1 Proxy for precision medicine activity

SOURCE: Precision Medicine Taxonomy analysis (60+ sources in appendix), UK Bioindustry Association "A vision for the UK life sciences sector in 2025, Powel, Walter. "The Spacial Clustering of Science and Capital", Stanford University. "Singapore's Biopolis: A Success Story", www.a-star.edu.sg

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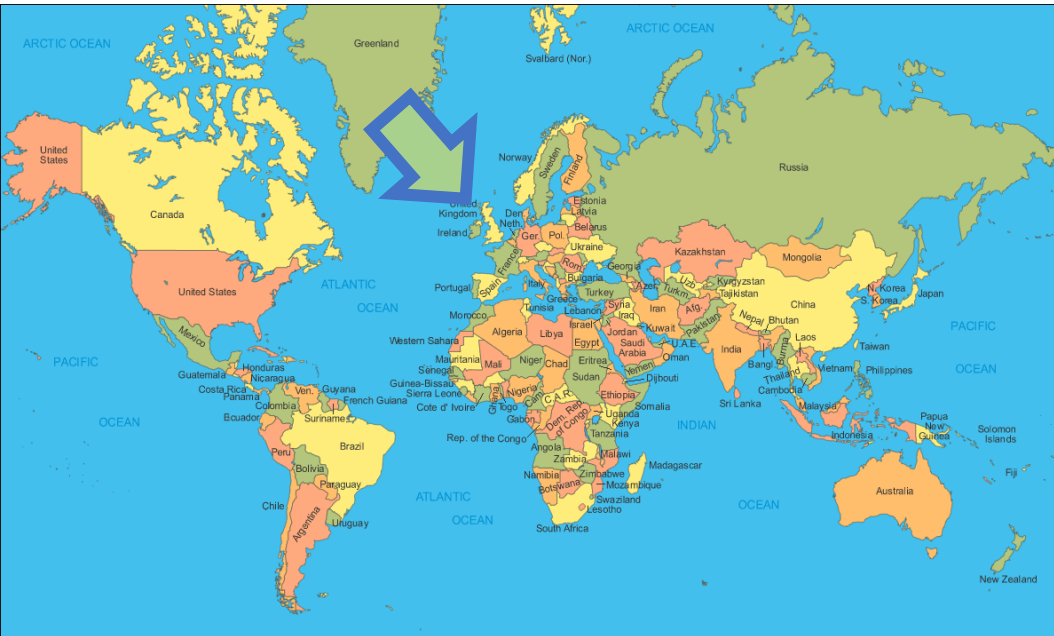
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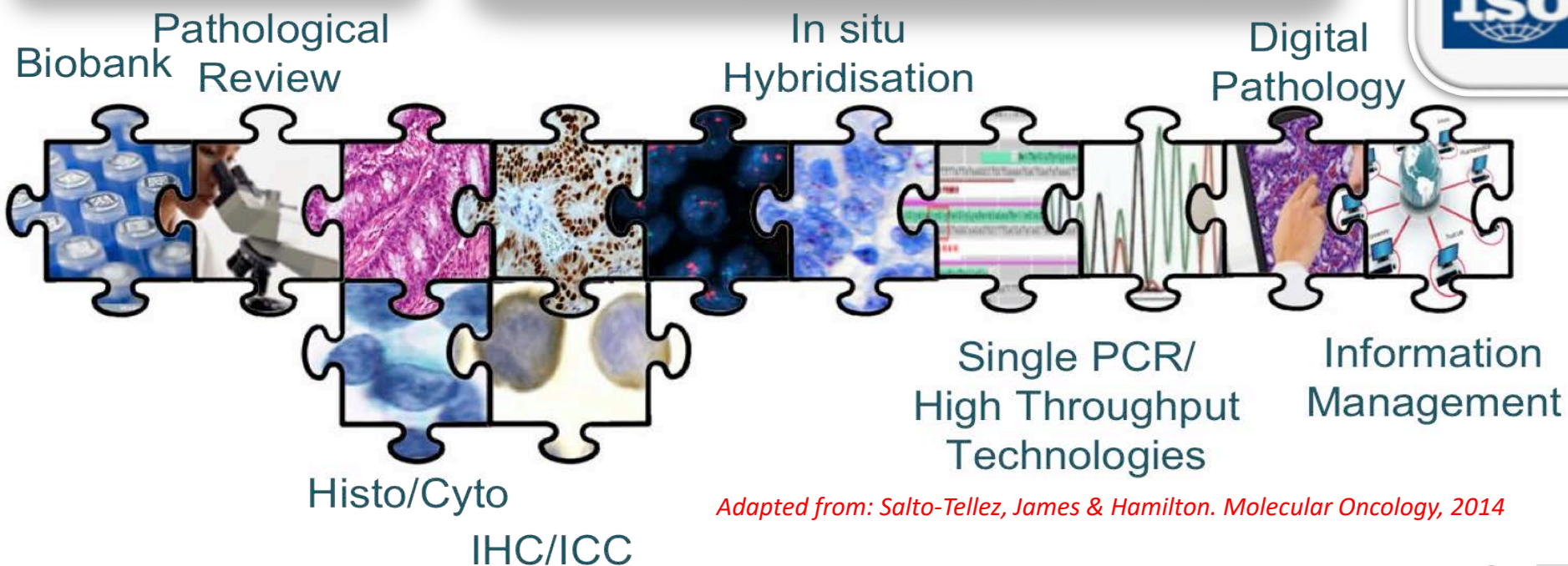


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Who are we?

The Northern Ireland Molecular Pathology Laboratory
 -launched 2012



Adapted from: Salto-Tellez, James & Hamilton. *Molecular Oncology*, 2014



Review
 Building a 'Repository of Science': The importance of integrating biobanks within molecular pathology programmes

Claire Lewis^{1,2*}, Stephen McQuaid^{1,2*}, Peter W. Hamilton¹, Manuel Salto-Tellez^{1,2*}, Darragh McArt¹, Jacqueline A. James^{1,2*}

Journal of Pathology
 J Pathol 2014; 234: 5-10
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Immunohistochemistry should undergo robust validation equivalent to that of molecular diagnostics

Kelly Elliott,¹ Stephen McQuaid,² Manuel Salto-Tellez,² Pery Maxwell²

INVITED COMMENTARY
 Next-generation sequencing: a change of paradigm in molecular diagnostic validation[#]
 Manuel Salto-Tellez^{1*} and David Gonzalez de Castro²

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Technical Note
 PICAn: An integromics framework for dynamic cancer biomarker discovery

Darragh G. McArt, Jaine K. Blayney, David P. Boyle, Gareth W. Irwin, Michael Moran, Ryan A. Hutchinson, Peter Bankhead, Declan Kieran, Yinhai Wang, Philip D. Dunne, Richard D. Kennedy, Paul S. Mullin, D. Paul Harkin, Mark A. Catherwood, Jacqueline A. James, Manuel Salto-Tellez^{1,2*}, Peter W. Hamilton^{1,2*}



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The Northern Ireland
Biobank
JJ



60 staff

£19.1M direct competitive funds

£35.0M including indirect funds

Molecular diagnostic service

± 150 peer reviewed papers

Significant traction and support with industry

What is Molecular Pathology?

Molecular Pathology is the morphological and molecular interrogation of clinical samples, with all the technologies associated to these analyses, to better understand the nature of diseases – **Translational Research**.



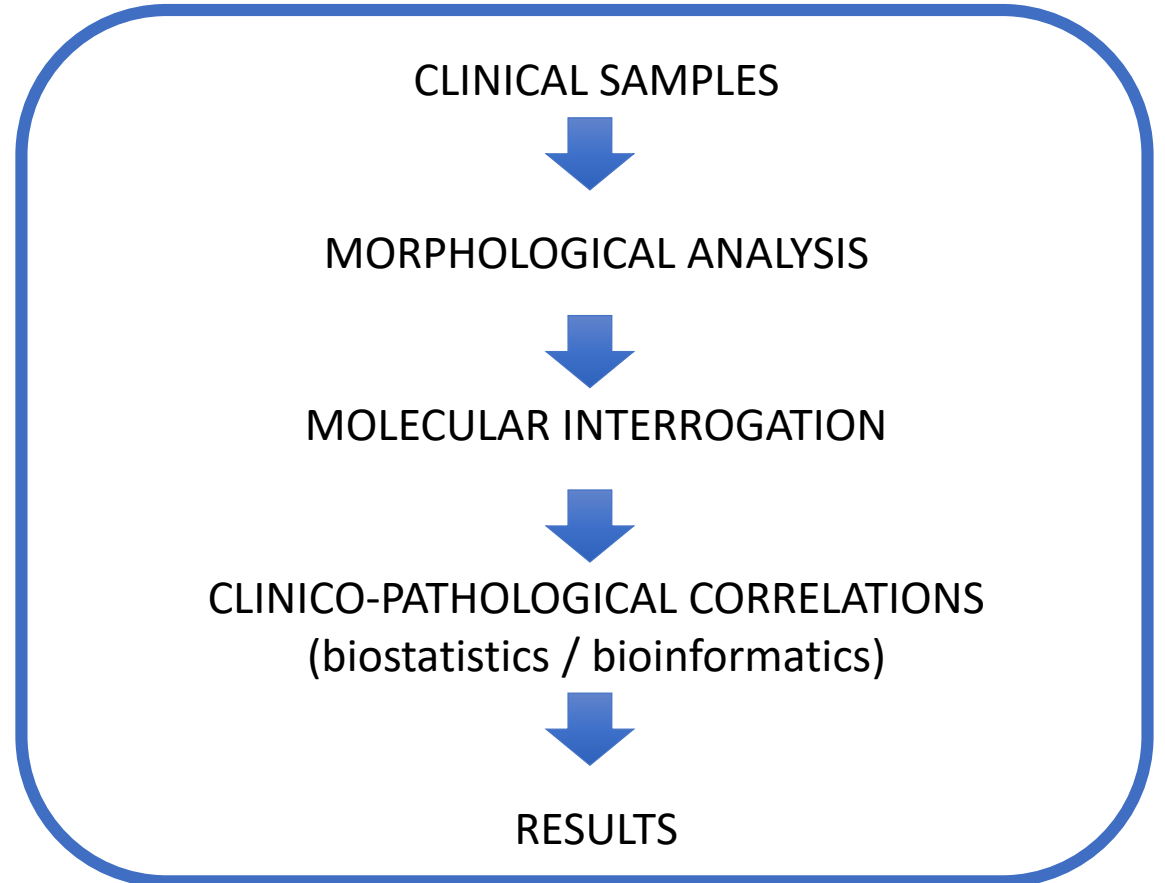
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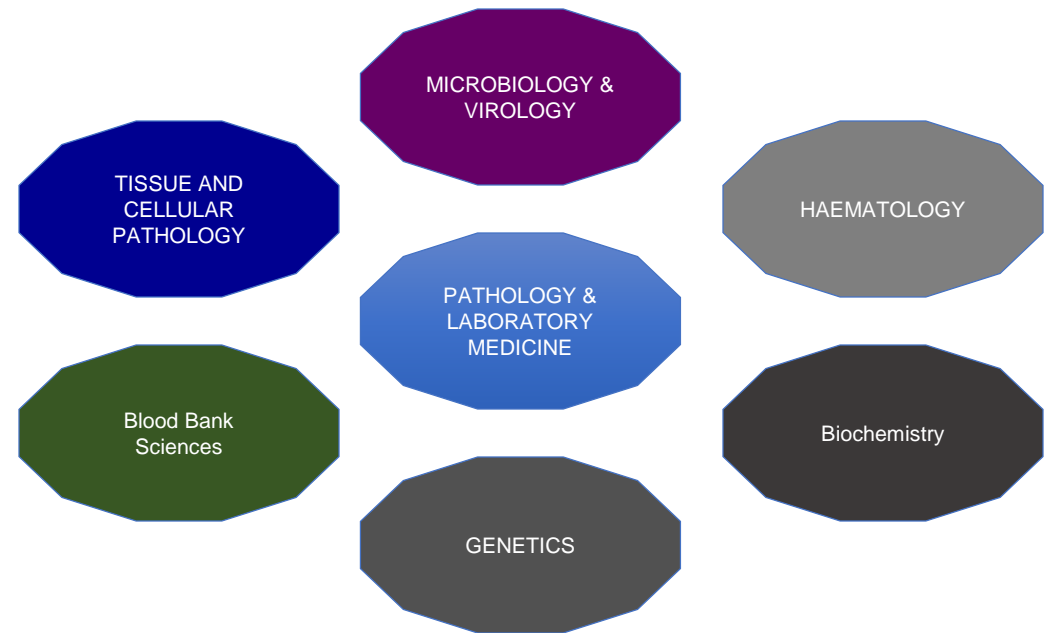
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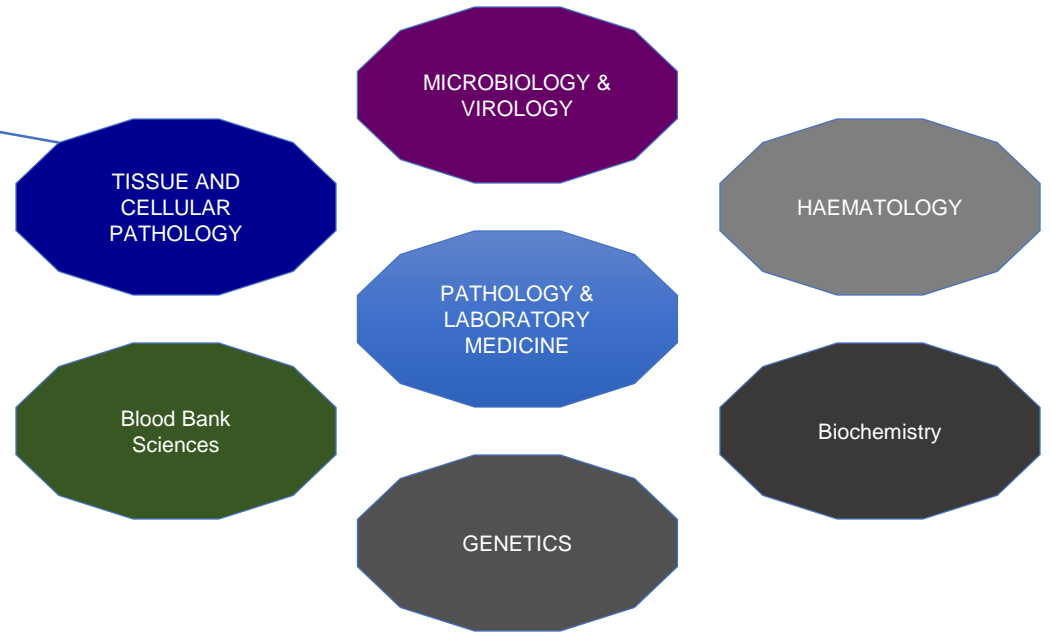
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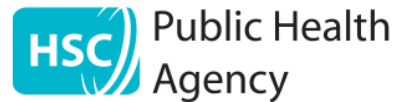
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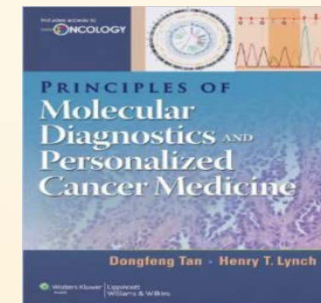
www.qub.ac.uk/research-centres/PMC/

MOLECULAR DIAGNOSTICS AT THE PRECISION MEDICINE CENTRE



Selected target therapeutics in clinical oncology practice

Targeted Therapeutics	Target	Tumor
<i>Antibodies</i>		
Bevacizumab	VEGF	Breast Ca/CRC/NSCLC
Cetuximab	EGFR/KRAS	CRC and HN Ca
Panitumumab	EGFR	CRC
Rituximab	CD20	B-cell lymphoma
Trastuzumab	Her-2	Breast Ca/Gastric cancer
<i>Small molecule inhibitors</i>		
Bortezomib	Proteasome	MM and MCL
Crizotinib	ALK	NSCLC
Erlotinib	EGFR	NSCLC/pancreatic cancer
Gefitinib	EGFR	NSCLC
Imatinib	c-kit/BCR-ABL	GIST/CML
Lapatinib	Her-2 and EGFR	Breast Ca
Sorafenib	VEGFR/PDGFR/RAF	HCC and RCC
Sunitinib	VEGFR/PDGFR/RET	GIST and RCC
Temsirolimus	mTOR	RCC
Vemurafenib	BRAF	Melanoma
Vorinostat/Bortezomib	HDAC	Cutaneous TCL



Revolution in Oncology

New Drugs for Targeted Therapy

Table 3. US FDA Approved Targeted Therapies and Indications.				
Agent	Trade Name	Target(s)	FDA-approved Indication(s)	Company
Monoclonal Antibodies				
Ado-trastuzumab emtansine (T-DM1)*	Kadcyla	HER2	Breast cancer (HER2+)*	Genentech
Bevacizumab	Avastin	VEGF	CRC GBM NCLC RCC	Genentech
Cetuximab*	Erbix	EGFR	CRC (KRAS wild-type)* HNSCC	Eli Lilly
Ipilimumab	Yervoy	CTLA-4	Melanoma	Bristol-Myers Squibb
Obinutuzumab	Gazyva	CD-20	CLL	Genentech
Panitumumab*	Vectibix	EGFR	CRC (KRAS wild-type)*	Amgen
Pertuzumab	Perjeta	HER2	Breast Cancer (HER2+)*	Genentech
Trastuzumab*	Herceptin	HER2	Breast cancer (HER2+)* Gastric cancer (HER2+)*	Genentech
Small Molecule Inhibitors				
Afatinib*	Gilotrif	EGFR, HER2	NSCLC (with EGFR exon 19 deletions or L858R substitution)*	Boehringer Ingelheim
Axitinib	Inlyta	KIT, PDGFR β , VEGFR1/2/3	RCC	Pfizer
Bosutinib*	Bosulif	ABL	CML (Philadelphia chromosome positive)*	Pfizer
Cabozantinib	Cometriq	FLT3, KIT, MET, RET, VEGFR2	Medullary thyroid cancer	Exelixis
Crizotinib*	Xalkori	ALK, MET	NSCLC (with ALK fusion)*	Pfizer
Dabrafenib*	Tafinlar	BRAF	Melanoma (with BRAF V600E mutation)*	GlaxoSmithKline
Dasatinib*	Sprycel	ABL	CML (Philadelphia chromosome positive)* ALL (Philadelphia chromosome positive)*	Bristol-Myers Squibb
Denosumab	Xgeva	RANKL	Giant cell tumor of bone	Amgen
Erlotinib*	Tarceva	EGFR	NSCLC (with exon 19 deletions or L858R substitutions)* Pancreatic cancer	Genentech & OSI
Everolimus*	Afinitor	mTOR	Pancreatic neuroendocrine tumor RCC Breast cancer (ER/PR+) in combination with exemestane* Nonresectable subependymal giant cell astrocytoma associated with tuberous sclerosis	Novartis
Gefitinib	Iressa	EGFR	NSCLC with known prior benefit from gefitinib (limited approval)	AstraZeneca
Ibrutinib	Imbruvica	BTK	Mantle cell lymphoma GI stromal tumor	Pharmaceuticals
Imatinib*	Gleevec	KIT, PDGFR, ABL	Dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans Multiple hematologic malignancies including Philadelphia chromosome-positive ALL and CML*	Novartis
Lapatinib*	Tykerb	HER2, EGFR	Breast cancer (HER2+)*	GlaxoSmithKline
Nilotinib*	Tasigna	ABL	CML (Philadelphia chromosome positive)*	Novartis
Pazopanib	Votrient	VEGFR, PDGFR, KIT	RCC Soft tissue sarcoma	GlaxoSmithKline
Regorafenib	Stivarga	KIT, PDGFR β , RAF, RET, VEGFR1/2/3	CRC Gastrointestinal stromal tumors	Bayer
Ruxolitinib	Jakafi	JAK1/2	Myelofibrosis	Incyte
Sorafenib	Nexavar	VEGFR, PDGFR, KIT, RAF	Hepatocellular carcinoma RCC	Bayer
Sunitinib	Sutent	VEGFR, PDGFR, KIT, RET	GIST Pancreatic neuroendocrine tumor RCC	Pfizer
Temsirolimus	Torisel	mTOR	RCC	Wyeth
Trametinib*	Mekinist	MEK	Melanoma (with BRAF V600E or V600K mutations)*	GlaxoSmithKline
Vandetanib	Caprelsa	EGFR, RET, VEGFR2	Medullary thyroid cancer	AstraZeneca
Vemurafenib*	Zelboraf	BRAF	Melanoma (with BRAF V600 mutation)*	Roche

Note: ALL, acute lymphoblastic leukemia; CML, chronic myeloid leukemia; GIST, gastrointestinal stromal tumor; ER, estrogen receptor; PR, progesterone receptor; NSCLC, non-small cell lung cancer; CRC, colorectal cancer; GBM, glioblastoma; RCC, renal cell carcinoma; HNSCC, head and neck squamous cell carcinoma; CLL, chronic lymphoblastic leukemia; BTK, Bruton's tyrosine kinase. * Targeted therapy that is associated with a molecular-specific cancer subtype alteration. There are approximately 17 targeted therapies that are associated with 10 molecular-specific subtypes of cancer.

<https://www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/treatment/types/targeted-therapies/targeted-therapies-fact-sheet>

What targeted therapies have been approved for specific types of cancer?The FDA has approved targeted therapies for the treatment of some patients with the following types of cancer (some targeted therapies have been approved to treat more than one type of cancer):

Adenocarcinoma of the stomach or gastroesophageal junction[Trastuzumab \(Herceptin®\)](#), [ramucirumab \(Cyramza®\)](#)

Bladder cancer: [Atezolizumab \(Tecentriq™\)](#), [nivolumab \(Opdivo®\)](#), [durvalumab \(Imfinzi™\)](#), [avelumab \(Bavencio®\)](#), [pembrolizumab \(Keytruda®\)](#)

Brain cancer: [Bevacizumab \(Avastin®\)](#), [everolimus \(Afinitor®\)](#)

Breast cancer: [Everolimus \(Afinitor®\)](#), [tamoxifen \(Nolvadex\)](#), [toremifene \(Fareston®\)](#), [Trastuzumab \(Herceptin®\)](#), [fulvestrant \(Faslodex®\)](#), [anastrozole \(Arimidex®\)](#), [exemestane \(Aromasin®\)](#), [lapatinib \(Tykerb®\)](#), [letrozole \(Femara®\)](#), [pertuzumab \(Perjeta®\)](#), [ado-trastuzumab emtansine \(Kadcyla®\)](#), [palbociclib \(Ibrance®\)](#), [ribociclib \(Kisqali®\)](#), [neratinib maleate \(Nerlynx™\)](#), [abemaciclib \(Verzenio™\)](#), [olaparib \(Lynparza™\)](#)

Cervical cancer: [Bevacizumab \(Avastin®\)](#), [pembrolizumab \(Keytruda®\)](#)

Colorectal cancer: [Cetuximab \(Erbix®\)](#), [panitumumab \(Vectibix®\)](#), [bevacizumab \(Avastin®\)](#), [ziv-aflibercept \(Zaltrap®\)](#), [regorafenib \(Stivarga®\)](#), [ramucirumab \(Cyramza®\)](#), [nivolumab \(Opdivo®\)](#), [ipilimumab \(Yervoy®\)](#)

Dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans: [Imatinib mesylate \(Gleevec®\)](#)

Endocrine/neuroendocrine tumors: [Lanreotide acetate \(Somatuline® Depot\)](#), [avelumab \(Bavencio®\)](#), [lutetium Lu 177-dotatate \(Lutathera®\)](#), [iobenguane I 131 \(Azedra®\)](#)

Head and neck cancer: [Cetuximab \(Erbix®\)](#), [pembrolizumab \(Keytruda®\)](#), [nivolumab \(Opdivo®\)](#)

Gastrointestinal stromal tumor: [Imatinib mesylate \(Gleevec®\)](#), [sunitinib \(Sutent®\)](#), [regorafenib \(Stivarga®\)](#)

Giant cell tumor of the bone: [Denosumab \(Xgeva®\)](#)

Kidney cancer: [Bevacizumab \(Avastin®\)](#), [sorafenib \(Nexavar®\)](#), [sunitinib \(Sutent®\)](#), [pazopanib \(Votrient®\)](#), [temsirolimus \(Torisel®\)](#), [everolimus \(Afinitor®\)](#), [axitinib \(Inlyta®\)](#), [nivolumab \(Opdivo®\)](#), [cabozantinib \(Cabometyx™\)](#), [lenvatinib mesylate \(Lenvima®\)](#), [ipilimumab \(Yervoy®\)](#)

Leukemia: [Tretinoin \(Vesanoïd®\)](#), [imatinib mesylate \(Gleevec®\)](#), [dasatinib \(Sprycel®\)](#), [nilotinib \(Tasigna®\)](#), [bosutinib \(Bosulif®\)](#), [rituximab \(Rituxan®\)](#), [alemtuzumab \(Campath®\)](#), [ofatumumab \(Arzerra®\)](#), [obinutuzumab \(Gazyva®\)](#), [ibrutinib \(Imbruvica®\)](#), [idelalisib \(Zydelig®\)](#), [blinatumomab \(Blinxtyo®\)](#), [venetoclax \(Venclexta™\)](#), [ponatinib hydrochloride \(Iclusig®\)](#), [midostaurin \(Rydapt®\)](#), [enasidenib mesylate \(Idhifa®\)](#), [inotuzumab ozogamicin \(Besponsa®\)](#), [tisagenlecleucel \(Kymriah®\)](#), [gemtuzumab ozogamicin \(Mylotarg™\)](#), [rituximab and hyaluronidase human \(Rituxan Hycela™\)](#), [ivosidenib \(Tibsovo®\)](#), [duvelisib \(Copiktra™\)](#)

Liver cancer: [Sorafenib \(Nexavar®\)](#), [regorafenib \(Stivarga®\)](#), [nivolumab \(Opdivo®\)](#), [lenvatinib mesylate \(Lenvima®\)](#)

Lung cancer: [Bevacizumab \(Avastin®\)](#), [crizotinib \(Xalkori®\)](#), [erlotinib \(Tarceva®\)](#), [gefitinib \(Iressa®\)](#), [afatinib dimaleate \(Gilotrif®\)](#), [ceritinib \(LDK378/Zykadia™\)](#), [ramucirumab \(Cyramza®\)](#), [nivolumab \(Opdivo®\)](#), [pembrolizumab \(Keytruda®\)](#), [osimertinib \(Tagrisso™\)](#), [necitumumab \(Portrazza™\)](#), [alectinib \(Alecensa®\)](#), [atezolizumab \(Tecentriq™\)](#), [brigatinib \(Alunbrig™\)](#), [trametinib \(Mekinist®\)](#), [dabrafenib \(Tafinlar®\)](#), [durvalumab \(Imfinzi™\)](#), [dacomitinib \(Vizimpro®\)](#)

Lymphoma: [Ibritumomab tiuxetan \(Zevalin®\)](#), [denileukin diftitox \(Ontak®\)](#), [brentuximab vedotin \(Adcetris®\)](#), [rituximab \(Rituxan®\)](#), [vorinostat \(Zolinza®\)](#), [romidepsin \(Istodax®\)](#), [bexarotene \(Targretin®\)](#), [bortezomib \(Velcade®\)](#), [pralatrexate \(Foloty®\)](#), [ibrutinib \(Imbruvica®\)](#), [siltuximab \(Sylvant®\)](#), [idelalisib \(Zydelig®\)](#), [belinostat \(Beleodaq®\)](#), [obinutuzumab \(Gazyva®\)](#), [nivolumab \(Opdivo®\)](#), [pembrolizumab \(Keytruda®\)](#), [rituximab and hyaluronidase human \(Rituxan Hycela™\)](#), [copanlisib hydrochloride \(Aliqopa™\)](#), [axicabtagene ciloleucel \(Yescarta™\)](#), [acalabrutinib \(Calquence®\)](#), [tisagenlecleucel \(Kymriah®\)](#), [venetoclax \(Venclexta™\)](#), [mogamulizumab-kpkc \(Poteligeo®\)](#), [duvelisib \(Copiktra™\)](#)

Microsatellite instability-high or mismatch repair-deficient solid tumors: [Pembrolizumab \(Keytruda®\)](#)Multiple myeloma: [Bortezomib \(Velcade®\)](#), [carfilzomib \(Kyprolis®\)](#), [panobinostat \(Farydak®\)](#), [daratumumab \(Darzalex™\)](#), [ixazomib citrate \(Ninlaro®\)](#), [elotuzumab \(Empliciti™\)](#)

Myelodysplastic/myeloproliferative disorders: [Imatinib mesylate \(Gleevec®\)](#), [ruxolitinib phosphate \(Jakafi®\)](#)

Neuroblastoma: [Dinutuximab \(Unituxin™\)](#)**Ovarian epithelial/fallopian tube/primary peritoneal cancers:** [Bevacizumab \(Avastin®\)](#), [olaparib \(Lynparza™\)](#), [rucaparib camsylate \(Rubraca™\)](#), [niraparib tosylate monohydrate \(Zejula™\)](#)**Pancreatic cancer:** [Erlotinib \(Tarceva®\)](#), [everolimus \(Afinitor®\)](#), [sunitinib \(Sutent®\)](#)**Prostate cancer:** [Cabazitaxel \(Jevtana®\)](#), [enzalutamide \(Xtandi®\)](#), [abiraterone acetate \(Zytiga®\)](#), [radium 223 dichloride \(Xofigo®\)](#), [apalutamide \(Erleada™\)](#)**Skin cancer:** [Vismodegib \(Erivedge®\)](#), [sonidegib \(Odomzo®\)](#), [ipilimumab \(Yervoy®\)](#), [vemurafenib \(Zelboraf®\)](#), [trametinib \(Mekinist®\)](#), [dabrafenib \(Tafinlar®\)](#), [pembrolizumab \(Keytruda®\)](#), [nivolumab \(Opdivo®\)](#), [cobimetinib \(Cotellic™\)](#), [alitreinoin \(Panretin®\)](#), [avelumab \(Bavencio®\)](#), [encorafenib \(Braftovi™\)](#), [binimetinib \(Mektovi®\)](#), [cemiplimab-rwlc \(Libtayo®\)](#)

Soft tissue sarcoma: [Pazopanib \(Votrient®\)](#), [olaratumab \(Lartruvo™\)](#), [alitreinoin \(Panretin®\)](#)

Stomach cancer: [Pembrolizumab \(Keytruda®\)](#)**Systemic mastocytosis:** [Imatinib mesylate \(Gleevec®\)](#), [midostaurin \(Rydapt®\)](#)

Thyroid cancer: [Cabozantinib \(Cometriq®\)](#), [vandetanib \(Caprelsa®\)](#), [sorafenib \(Nexavar®\)](#), [lenvatinib mesylate \(Lenvima®\)](#), [trametinib \(Mekinist®\)](#), [dabrafenib \(Tafinlar®\)](#)



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Christine Quinn
New Band 8A

Perry Maxwell
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More than 500m²
350m² of which are the integrated laboratory

2,000 – 3,000 tests per year (across NI and ROI)

Tissue Molecular Diagnostics
N.A.-based tests – RAS, BRAF, EGFR, MSI, cfEGFR
Hybr. based tests – ALK, PDL-1, Her2 (Br Ca and Gas Ca)

This menu will be transformed by end of 2019 with the application of NGS

Analysis of clinical trials

Supports 100K Genomes, CRUK SMP2 through NIB

Committees: NEQAS, NICE, NIHR, RCPATH

Numerous Advisory Boards with Industry



Lung Cancer Diagnostic Tests

EGFR mutation analysis (tissues)

ALK overexpression

PD-L1 overexpression

EGFR mutation analysis (cfDNA)

ROS1 (under validation)



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EGFR

MAY 2012 TO DECEMBER 2018

2459 EGFR TISSUE-BASED TESTS

13.19% OF MUTANT CASES

6.10% INADEQUATES

2.15% INVALIDS

8.25% ATTRITION RATE

UK NEQAS
Molecular Genetics

UK-MolGen for EGFR (COBAS) in NSCLC

Participation since 2012

All satisfactory

EGFR cfDNA

Clinical Utility:

- Molecular testing for EGFR mutation where a tissue or cytology sample is not available
- Monitoring of EGFR mutation status during therapy
- Identification of acquired TKI resistance EGFR mutations e.g. Thr790Met

Methodology:

- Whole blood – plasma separation
- DNA extraction (COBAS, Roche)
- EGFR mutation QPCR (COBAS, Roche)

Reporting:

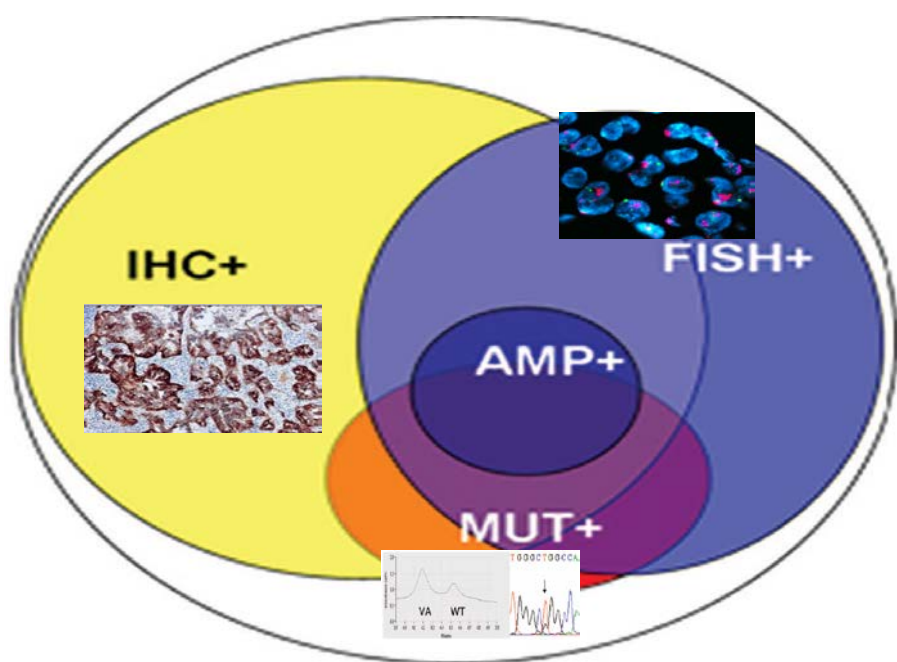
- Context of Clinical utility (see above)

EGFR cfDNA

JAN 2018 TO DECEMBER 2018

85 EGFR cfDNA TESTS

17.65% OF MUTANT CASES

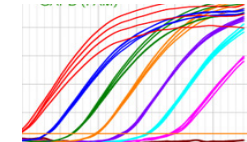
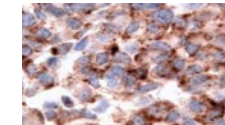
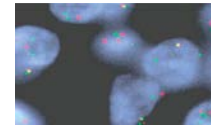


EGFR - Pinter et al. J Mol Diagn, 2008



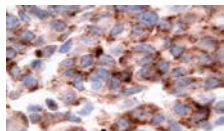
ALK Inhibition for Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer: From Discovery to Therapy in Record Time

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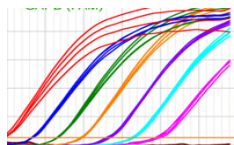


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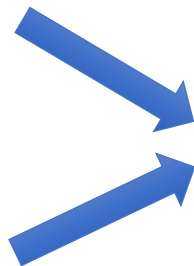
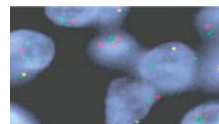
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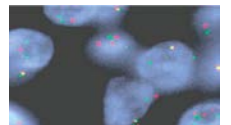
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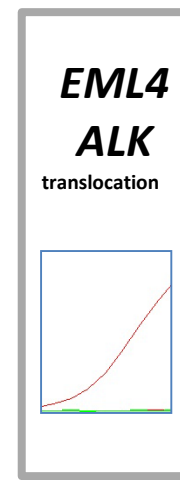
Confirmation



U.S.A.



September 1, 2011 — The US FDA granted approval to Crizotinib for advanced-stage NSCLC. A companion diagnostic test – Vysis ALK Break apart probe, was approved concurrently



TEST TYPE	POTENTIAL SHORTFALL
FISH	PROLONGED FIXATION IN RESECTION SAMPLES
IHC	MIXED ADENOSQUAMOUS TYPES MAY BE EQUIVOCAL
Q-PCR	SMALL BIOPSY/CYTOLOGY SAMPLES LIMIT TEST

Table 2. Summary of the issues encountered in routine diagnostics and which need to be taken into account when making the best possible use of several technology platforms.

Prospective diagnostic validation of *EML4-ALK* gene fusions or surrogates in NSCLC in the routine diagnostic setting: the effect of several testing methodologies and sample types.

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ALK IHC

MAY 2013 TO DECEMBER 2018

1651 ALK IHC TESTS
(103 ALK FISH tested – 6.23%)

1.88% POSITIVE CASES

UK NEQAS
International Quality Expertise

Immunocytochemistry
& In-Situ Hybridisation

(since 2014)

ALK: UK-NEQAS

11 excellent
3 Acceptable

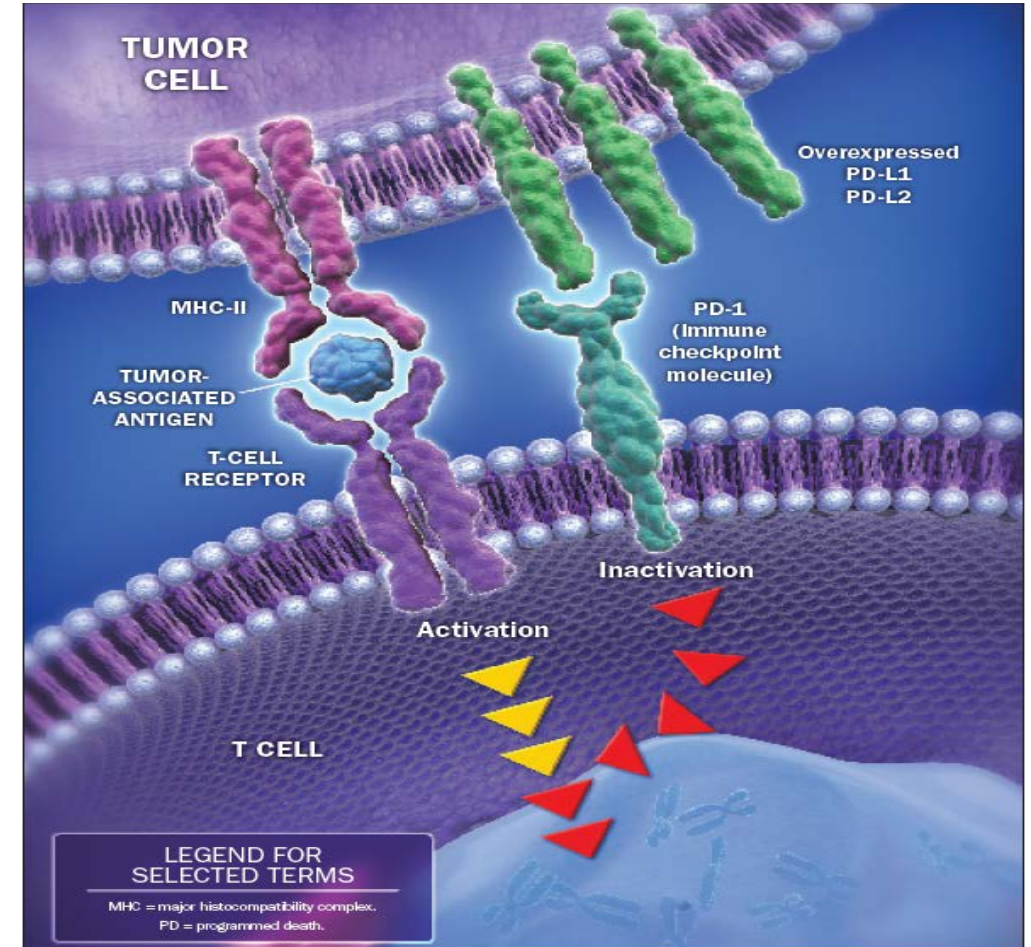
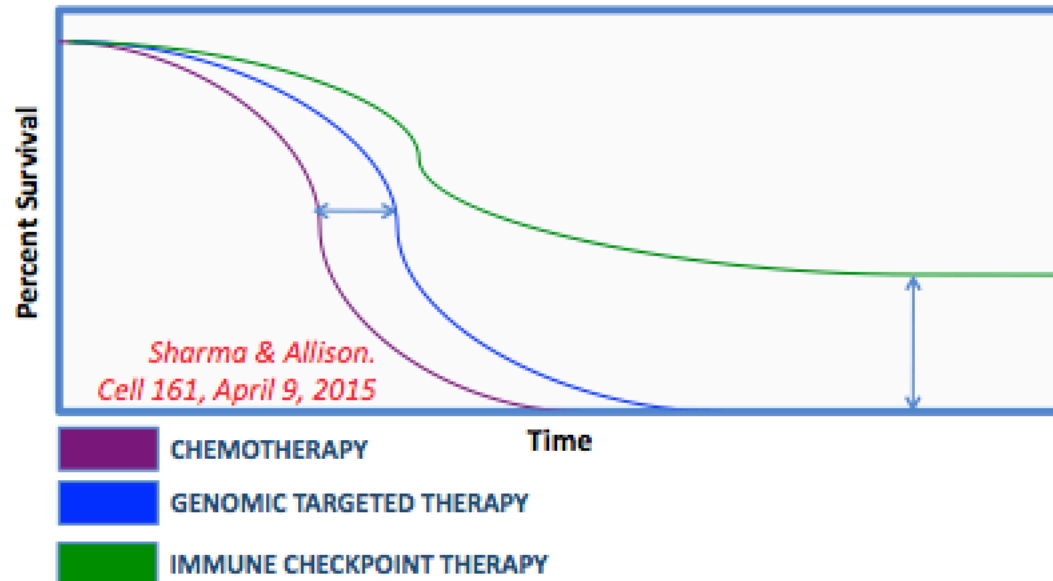
ALK-In-house

10 excellent
1 acceptable
3 borderline***

***staining satisfactory but low volume of tumour in the negative control example.

Role of the PD-1 Pathway in Cancer

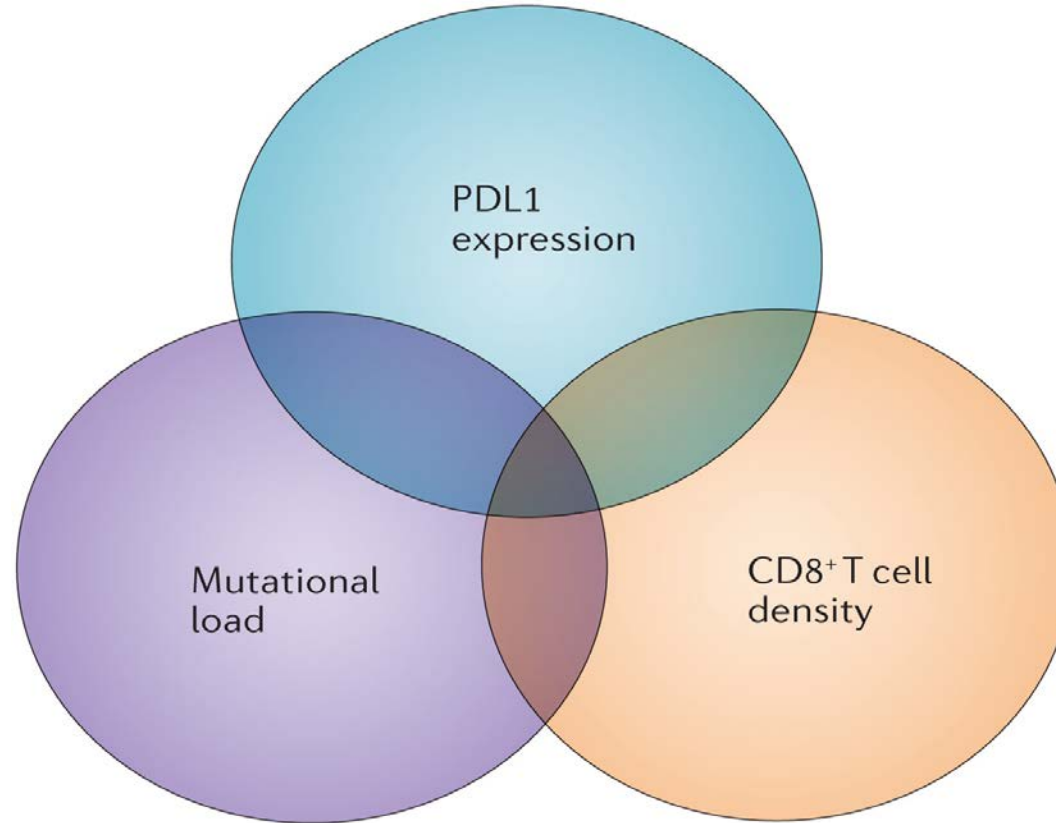
- Programmed death 1 (PD-1) pathway is an immune checkpoint pathway that is expressed on the surface of activated T cells
- One of its ligands, PD-L1, is highly expressed on the surface of tumor cells
- Binding of PD-1 with PD-L1 inhibits T cell activation, allowing immunosuppression and neoplastic growth



Pardoll DM.

The blockade of immune checkpoints in cancer immunotherapy.
Nat Rev Cancer. 2012;12:252–264.

Role of the PD-1 Pathway in Cancer – The Broader Picture



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		Digital Assessment		
		<1%	1-49%	>50%
Manual Assessment	<1%	4	2	0
	1-49%	0	16	1
	>50%	0	3	5

B

		Digital Assessment		
		<1%	1-49%	>50%
Manual Assessment	<1%	10	5	0
	1-49%	1	6	0
	>50%	0	0	9

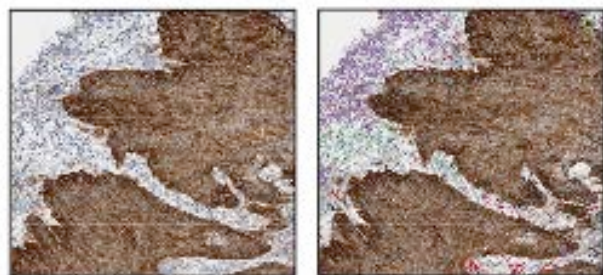


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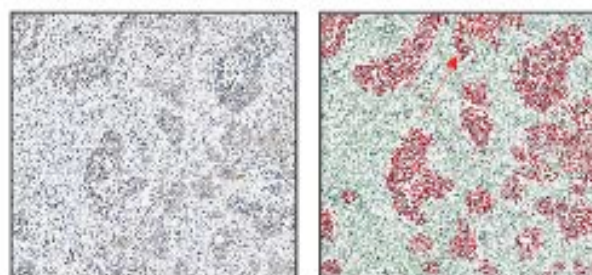
27% discrepancies

Most of these discrepancies were around the <1% - 3% threshold, Some around the 45%-55% threshold.

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100%



1%



Joanna Reader

I publish my annual report on health in England as part of my statutory role. In this edition of my report, I take a detailed look at genomics, exploring how we currently utilise genomics in our health and care system and how its potential may be developed.

Leading figures from the field of genomics have contributed specialist chapters. I include topics such as the care and treatment of cancer, diagnosing rare diseases, the use of genomics in screening and 'personalised' prevention, precision medicine – the targeting of drugs to do the most good and least harm. I wanted also to consider genomics within the context of society and include a chapter considering the ethical and societal discourse around genomics. Using the evidence I make recommendations, aimed at those able to bring about change, to guide how our potential can be realised to both improve patients' outcomes and maintain the UK's leadership role in genomics.

Genomics is not tomorrow. Its here today. I believe genomic services should be available to more patients, whilst being a cost-effective service in the NHS. This is exciting science with the potential for fantastic improvements in prevention, health protection and patient outcomes. Now we need to welcome the genomic era and deliver the genomic dream!

Sally C Davies

Prof Dame Sally C Davies

Annual Report of the
Chief Medical Officer 2016

Generation Genome

Genomic Medical Centres

*Genetic samples
(blood, tissues)*

*Genetic information
(raw, semi-processed)*

Genetic Hubs



All molecular testing in a single building



Using Common Molecular Technology

In line with Royal College of Pathologists recommendations, characterised by **high throughput** to justify investment & provide economies of scale

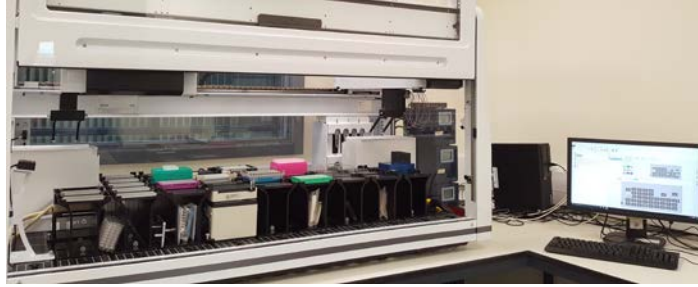
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BioMek i7 Liquid Handler



NextSeq 550



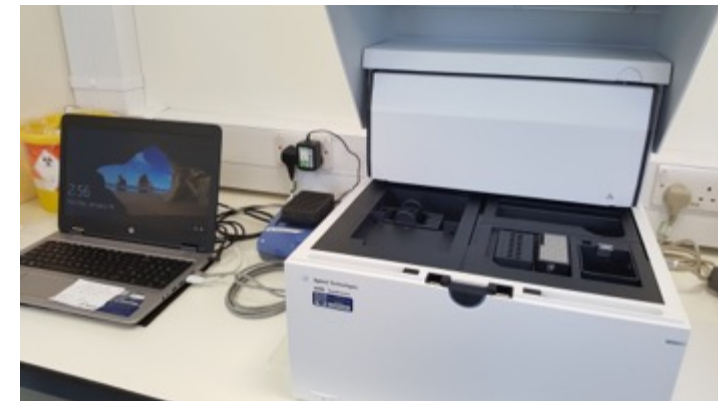
Digital Droplet PCR



Illumina NovaSeq 6000



QC – Agilent Tapestation

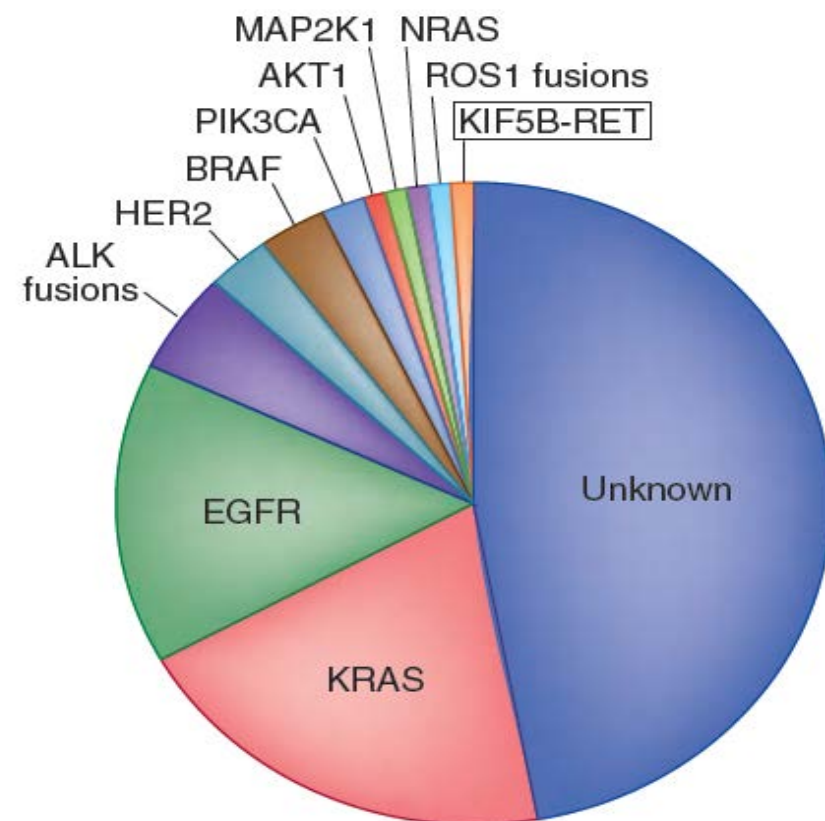


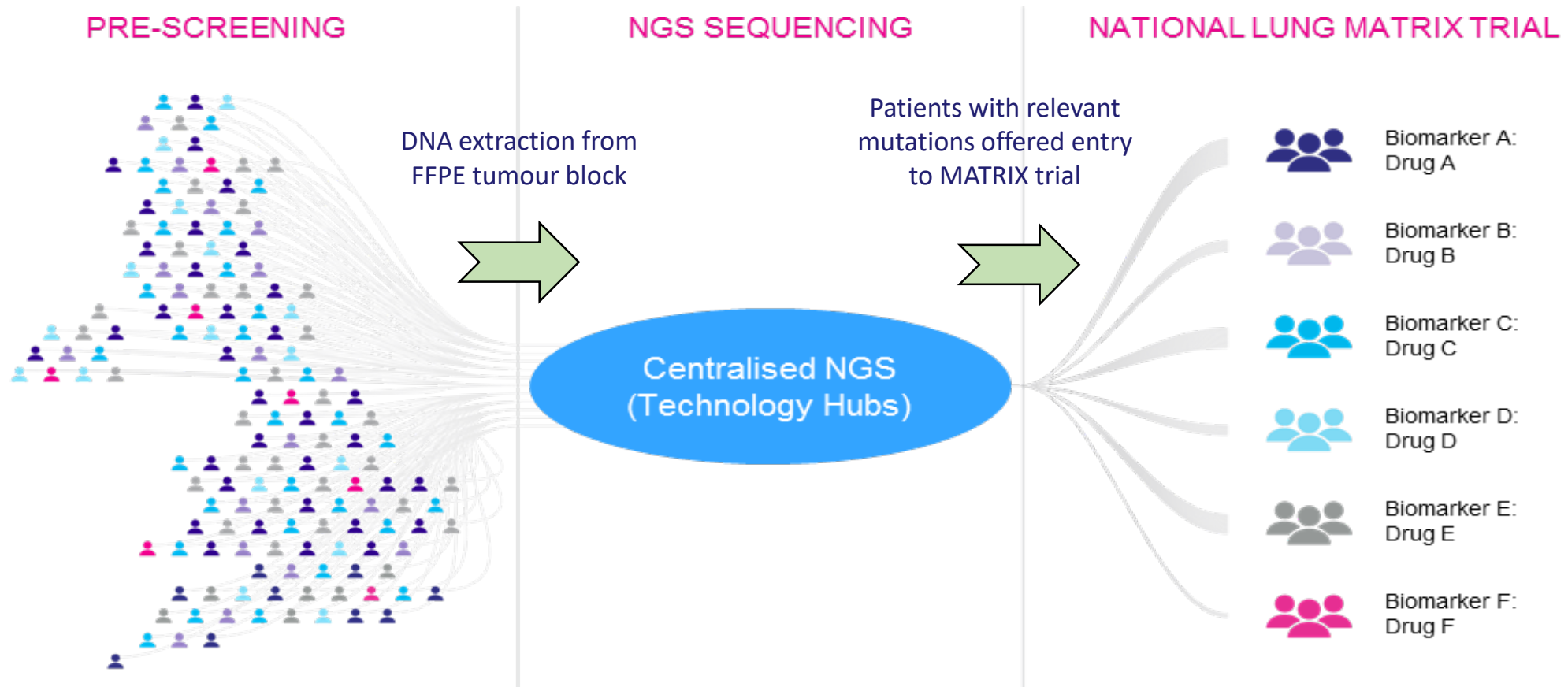
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TMB	CHEK2	HIST1H3B	PMS2	ZFY
AKT1	CTNNB1	HIST1H3C	POLE	
ALK	DDR2	HRAS	PPP2R2A	
APC	DPYD	IDH1	PTEN	
AR	EGFR	IDH2	RAD50	
ATM	ERBB2	JAK2	RAD51	
BAP1	ETV6	KIT	RAD51B	
BARD1	FANCC	KRAS	RAD51C	
BRAF	FANCL	MET	RAD51D	
BRCA1	FBXW7	MLH1	RAD54L	
BRCA2	FGFR1	MSH2	RB1	
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CDK4	FGFR3	MYC	ROS1	
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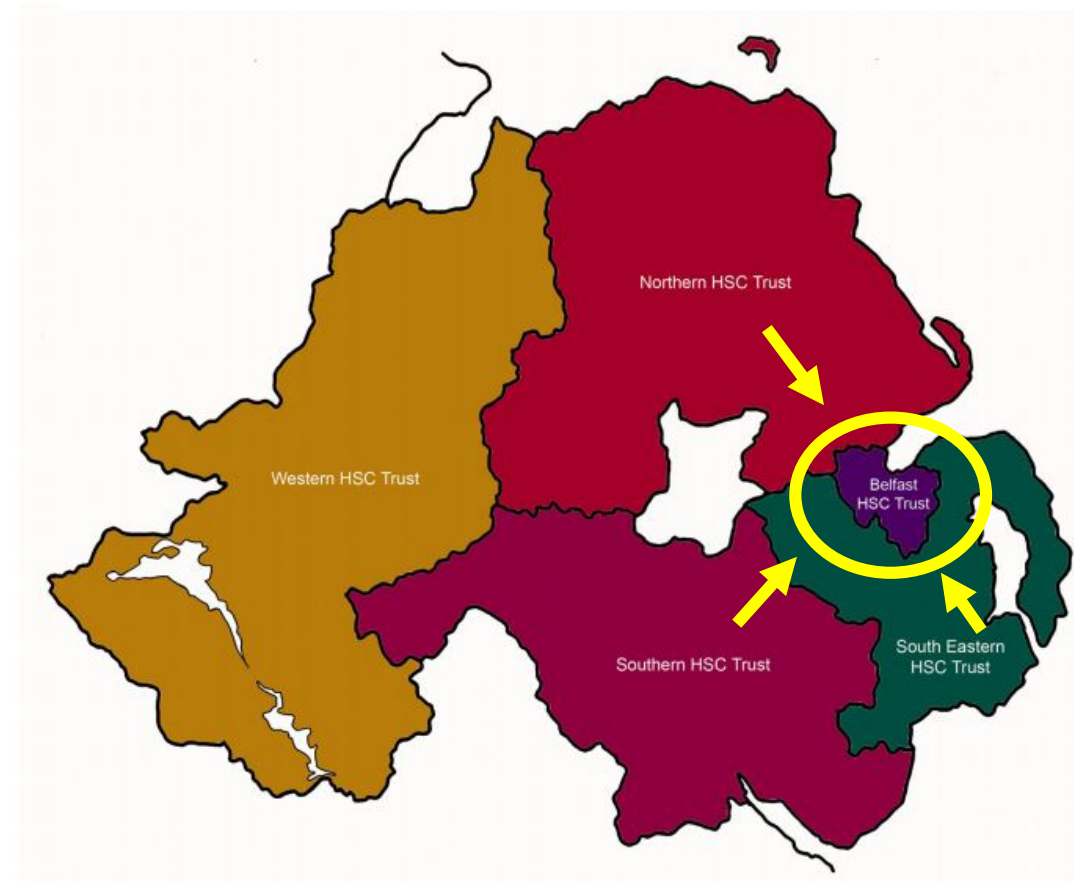
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The National Lung Matrix Trial is the largest precision medicine trial in NSCLC globally, testing a range of therapies tailored specifically to target key biomarkers

- ‘Hub and spoke’ model in NI co-ordinated by NI Biobank
- Patients currently consented for SMP2 at 4 participating Trusts:
 - Belfast HSCT
 - South Eastern HSCT
 - Southern HSCT
 - Northern HSCT
- All DNA is extracted by NI Biobank staff at the Northern Ireland Molecular Pathology Laboratory prior to dispatch to the CRUK technology hub



SMP2 Achievements

- 110 patients consented since 2016
- 69 samples sent for NGS
- 2018 most successful year to date, NI 137% over target for number of samples sent for NGS
- 2018 data for NI also revealed:
 - 100% of patients who passed DNA QC (Programme Average 84%)
 - 97% of patients with NGS result (Programme Average 77%)

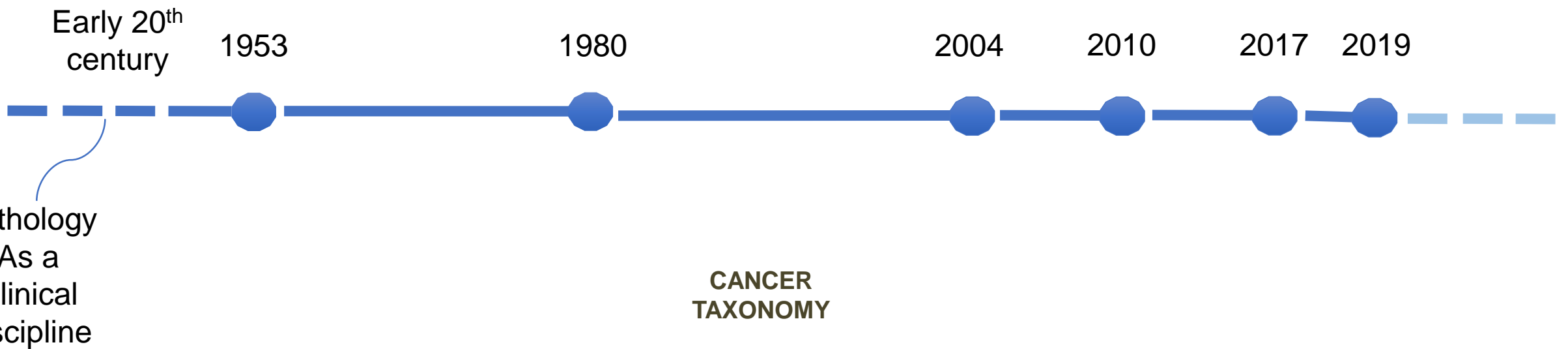
The Promise and Reality of Precision Medicine in Northern Ireland

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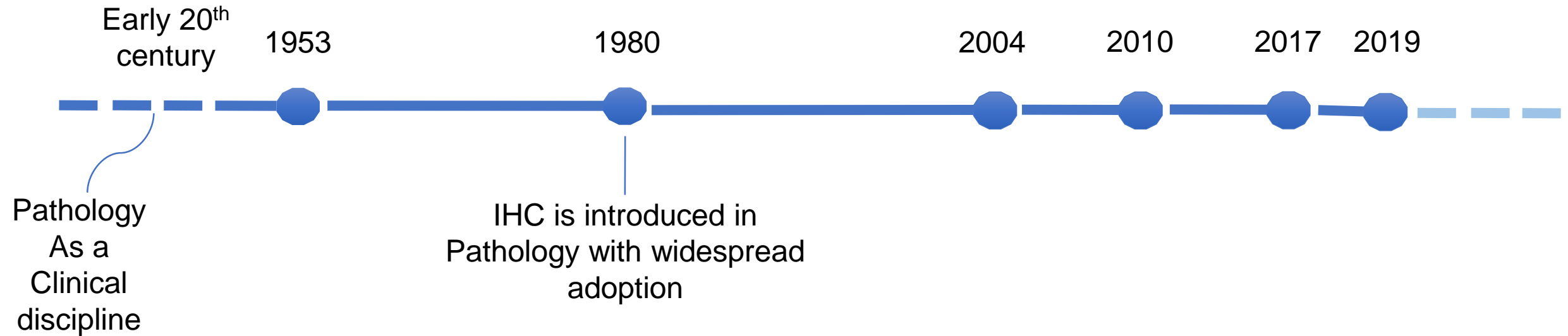
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4. THE FUTURE



15 The Antibody Revolution: How 'Immuno' Changed Pathology

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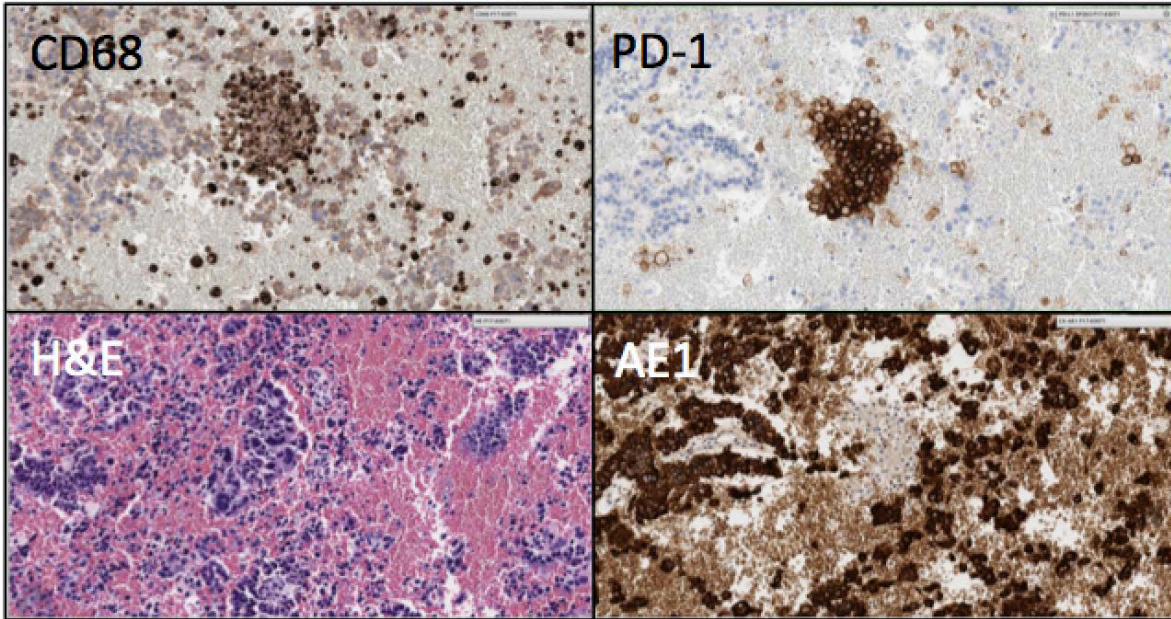
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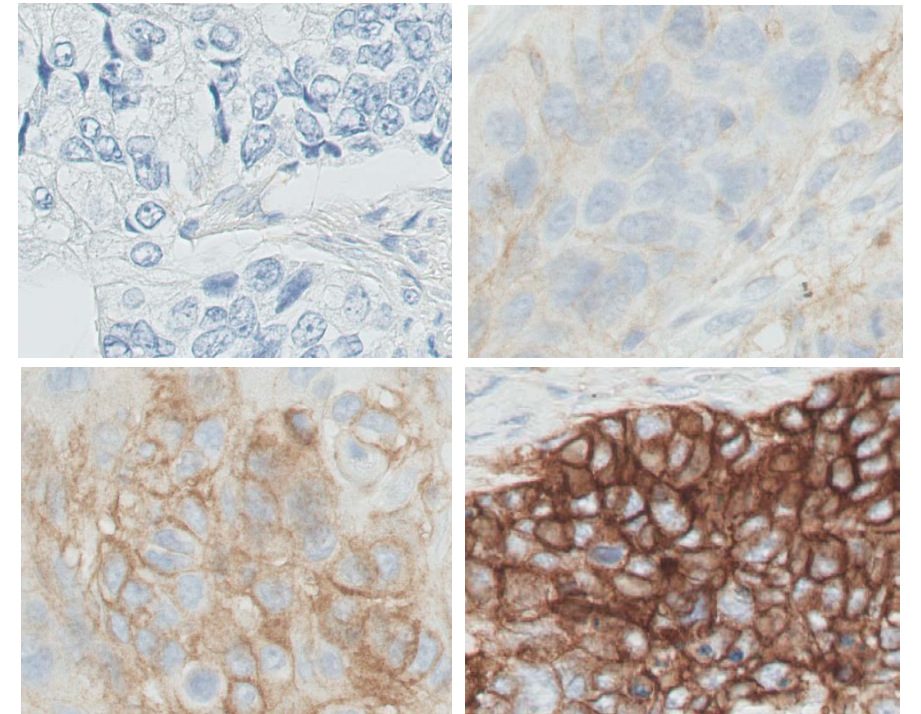
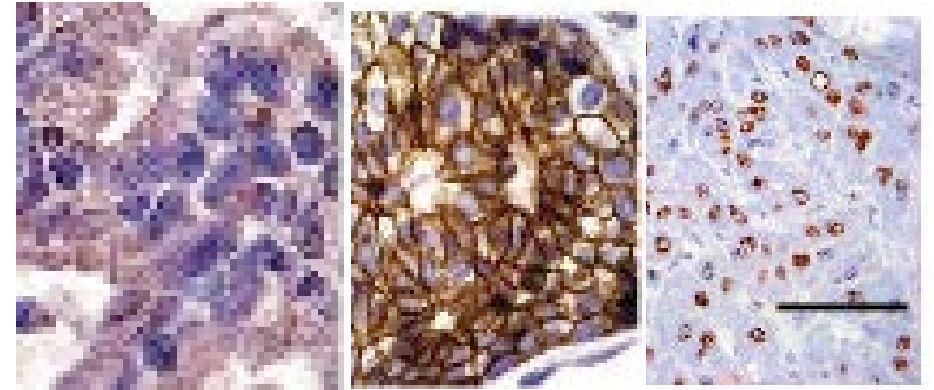
*Salto-Tellez, Maxwell and Hamilton. Artificial Intelligence - The Third Revolution in Pathology
Histopathology. 2019 Feb;74(3):372-376*

IHC

Subcellular localization



Tissue Specificity
(lineage specific)



Intensity

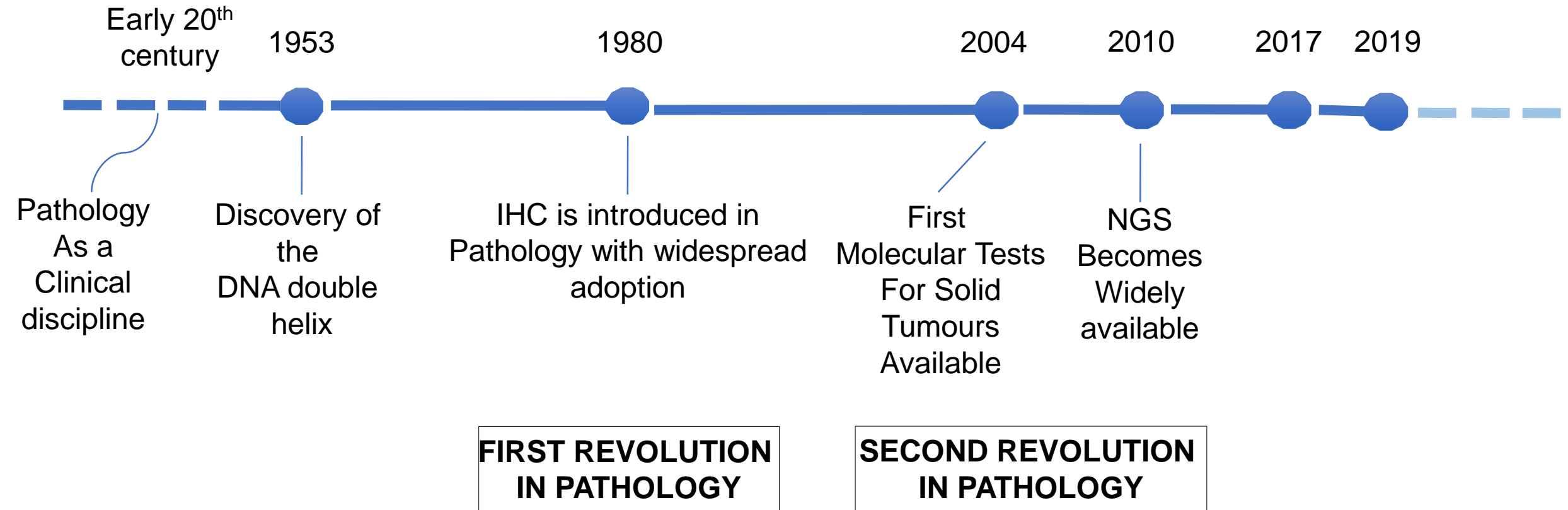


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WHO classification of lung adenocarcinoma

1.3.3. Adenocarcinoma

1.3.3.1. Acinar

1.3.3.2. Papillary

1.3.3.3. Bronchioloalveolar carcinoma

1.3.3.3.1. Non-mucinous (Clara / pneumocyte type II)

1.3.3.3.2. Mucinous

1.3.3.3.3. Mixed mucinous and non-mucinous

1.3.3.4. Solid adenocarcinoma with mucin

1.3.3.5. Adenocarcinoma with mixed subtypes

1.3.3.6. Variants

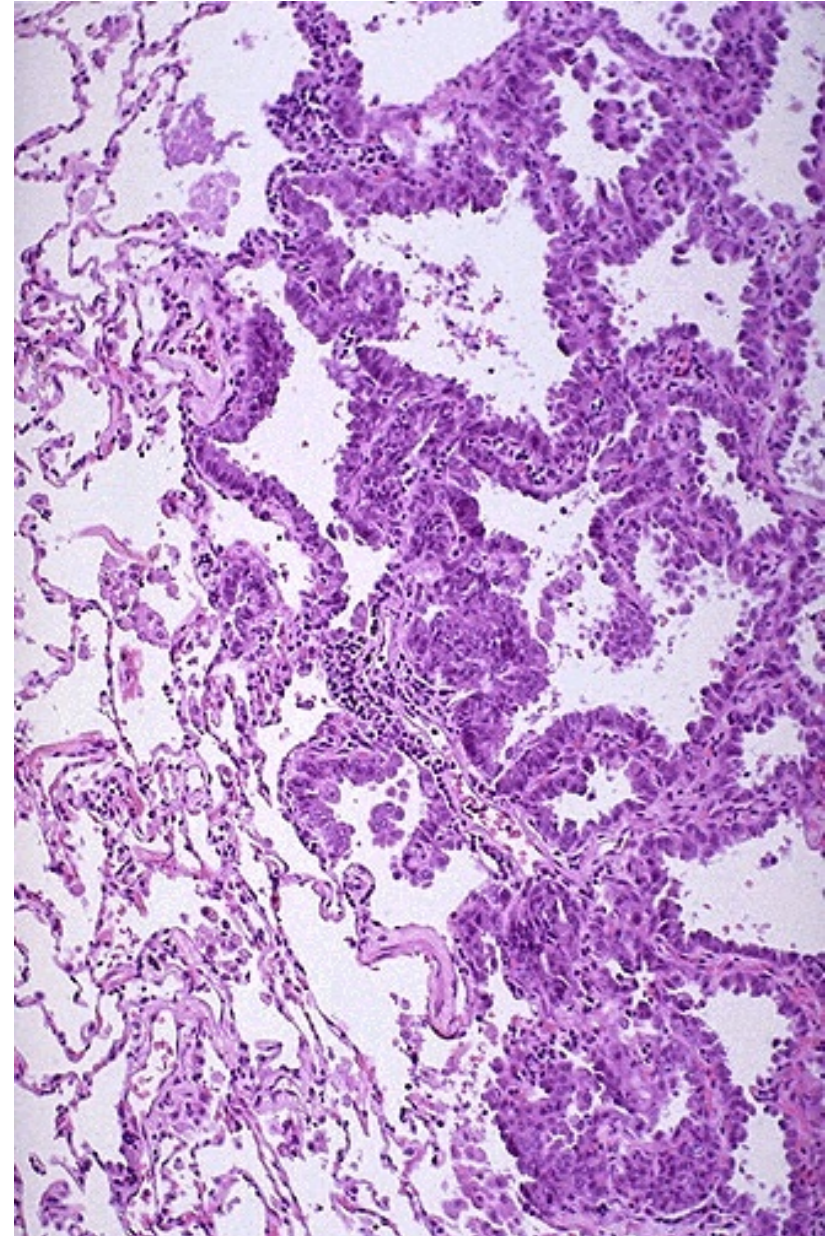
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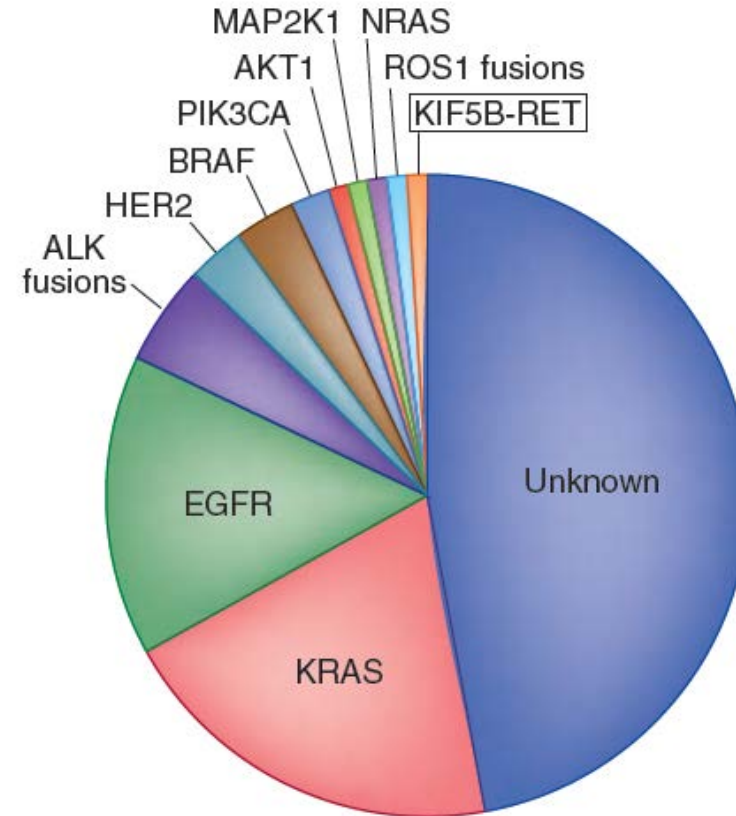
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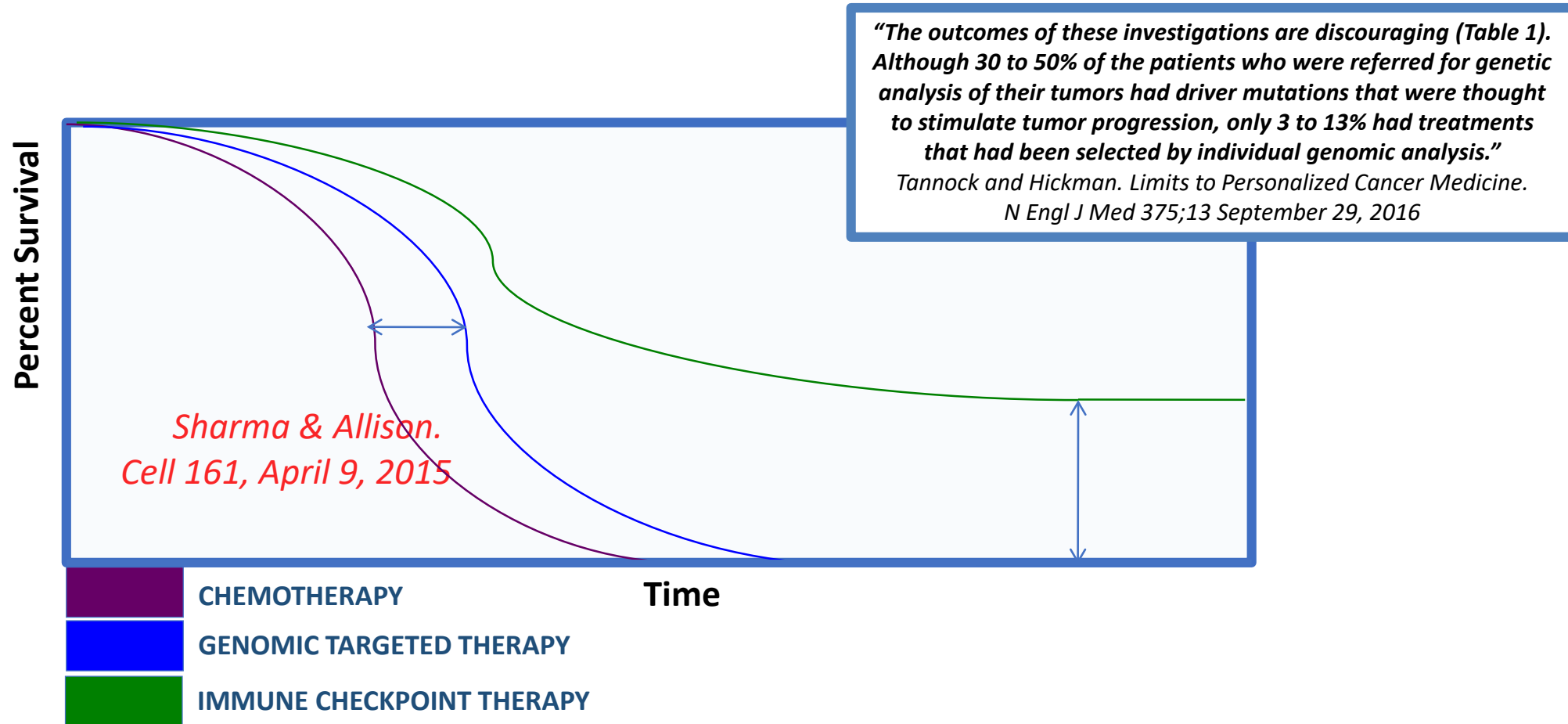
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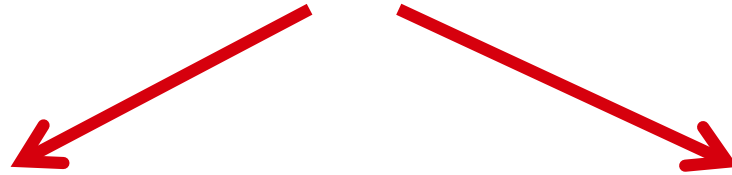
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5. THE RELATIVE RELEVANCE OF PERSONALISED MEDICINE



WE NEED DIAGNOSIS, PROGNOSIS & PREDICTION

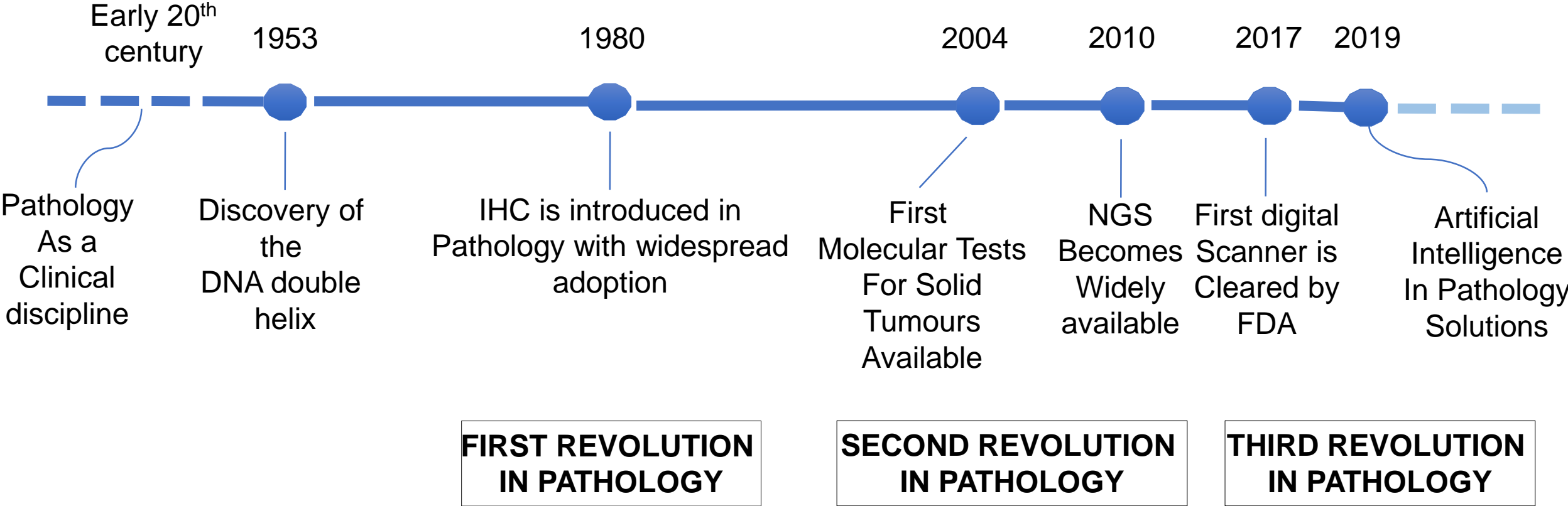
BEYOND GENOMICS



**NEW BIOMARKERS
ALTOGETHER**

**NEW WAYS OF SCORING
EXISTING BIOMARKERS**

DIGITAL PATHOLOGY / ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



THE PROMISE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN HEALTHCARE DELIVERY



**POPULATION
"BIG DATA"**



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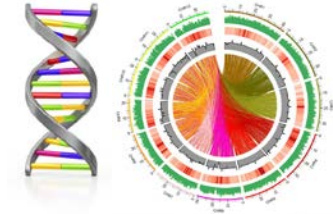
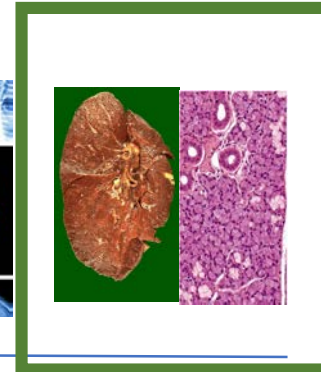
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Future-proofing pathology: the case for clinical adoption of digital pathology

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Thematic management

Future-proofing pathology part 2: building a business case for digital pathology

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Validation of digital pathology imaging for primary histopathological diagnosis

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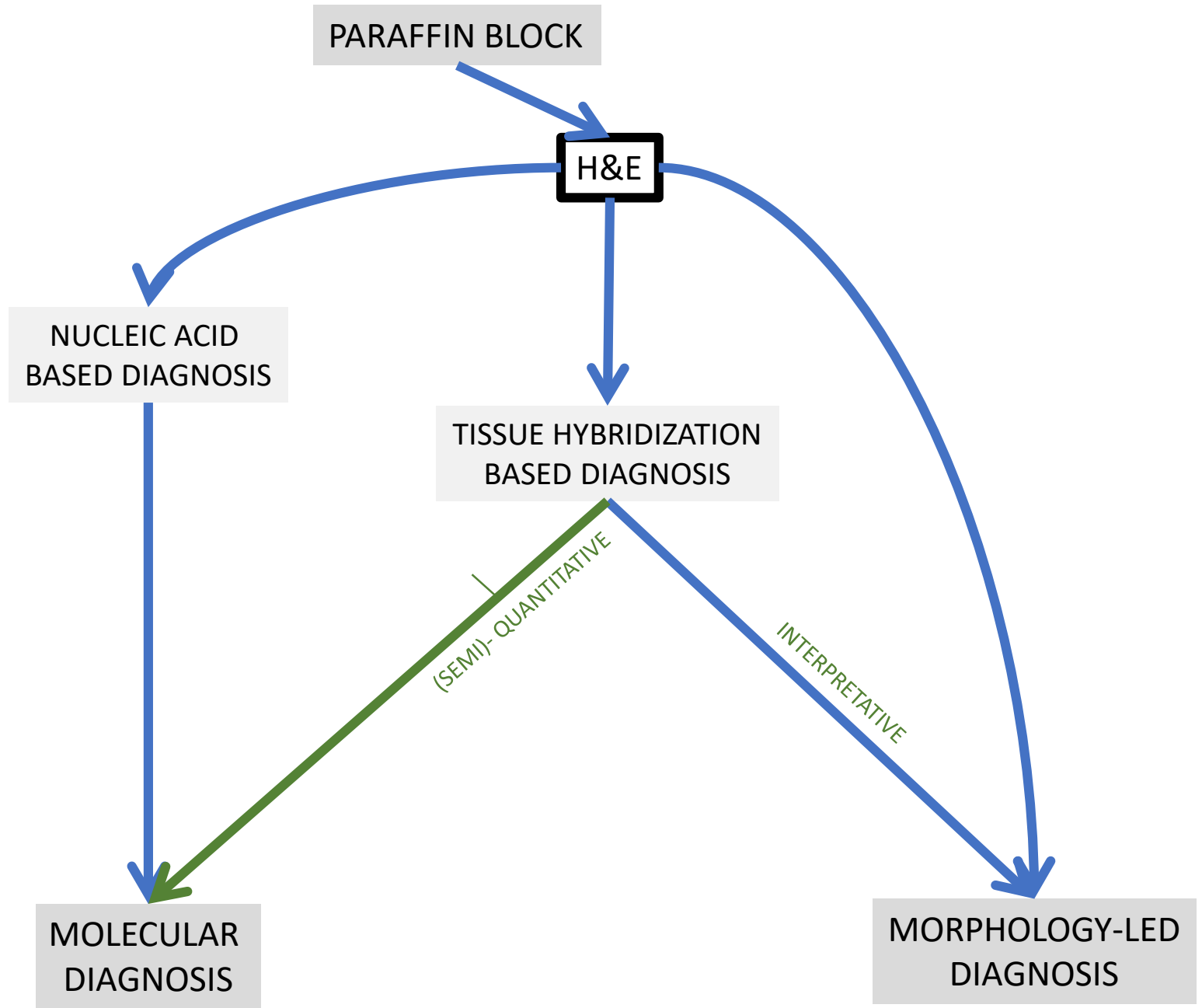
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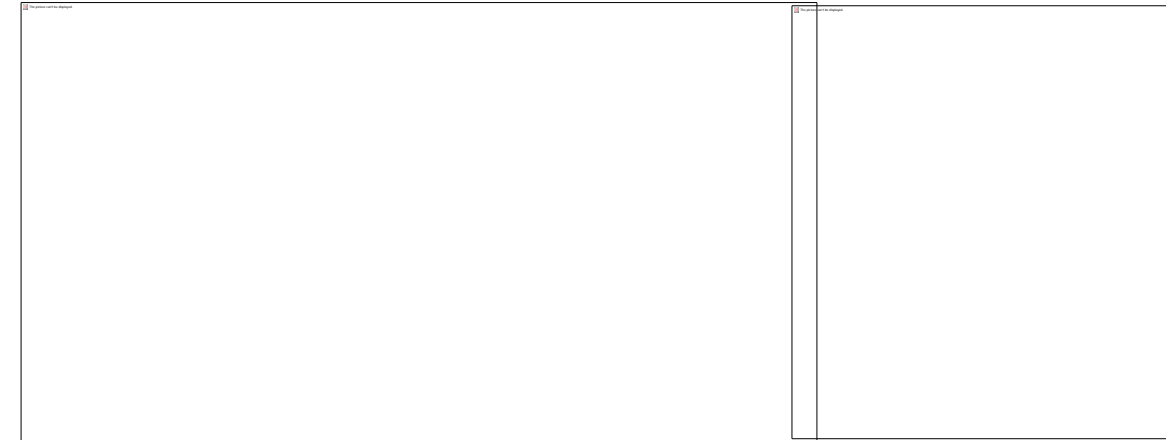
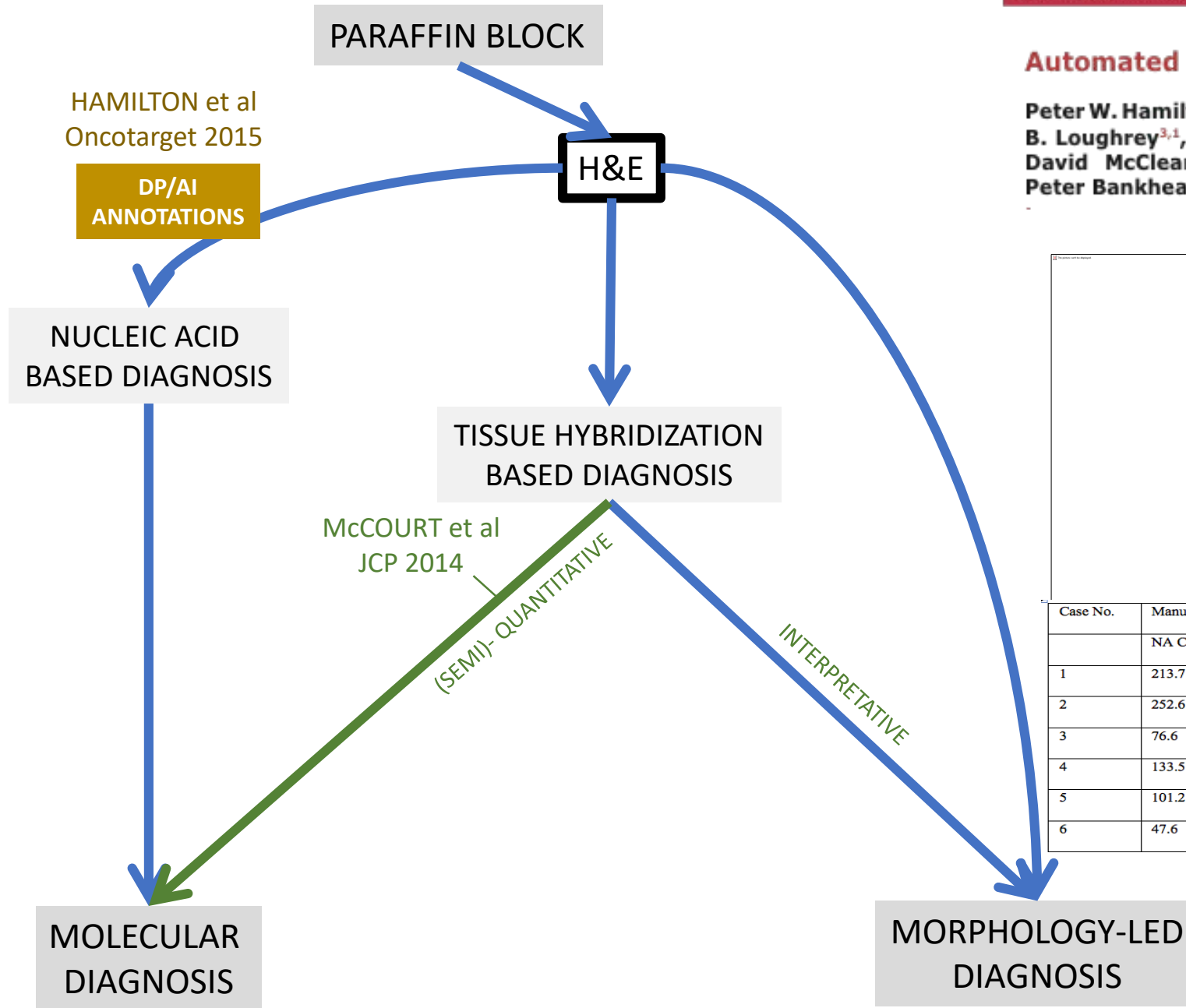


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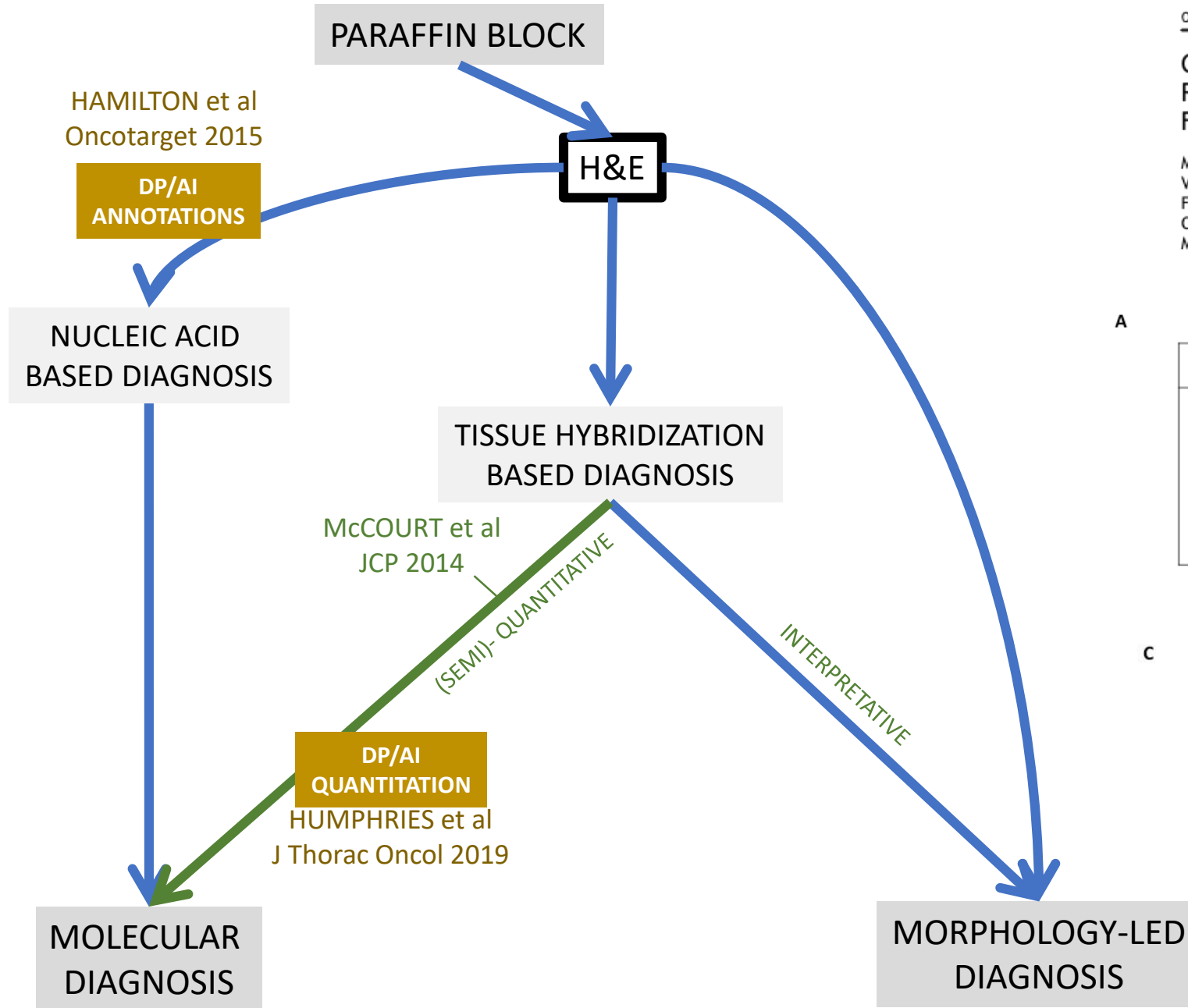
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Critical Appraisal of Programmed Death Ligand 1 Reflex Diagnostic Testing: Current Standards and Future Opportunities

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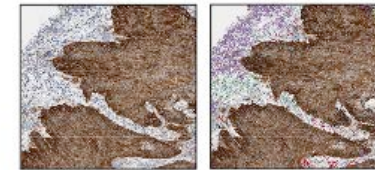
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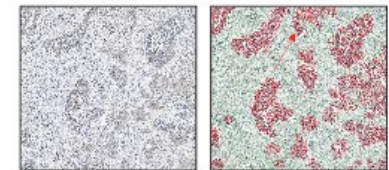
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Drug Development



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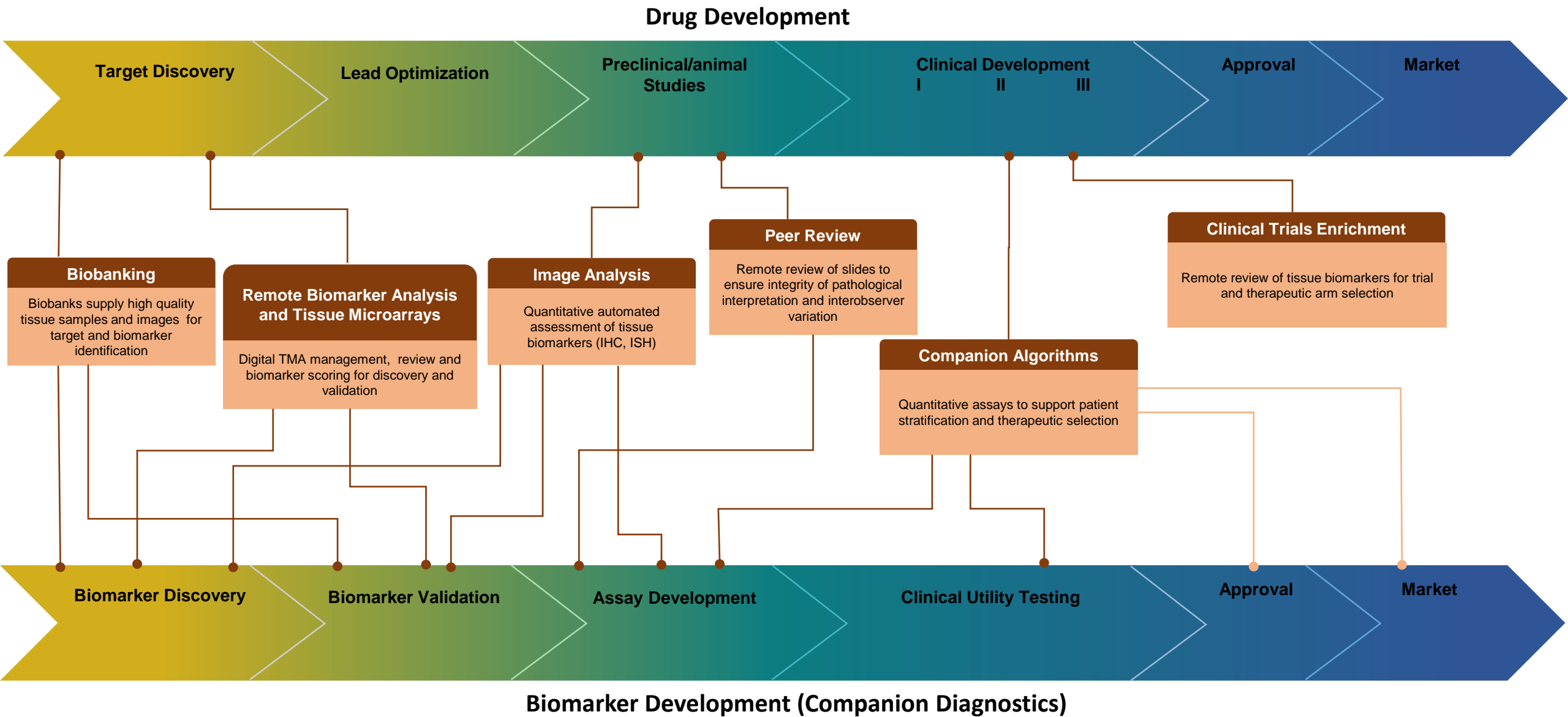
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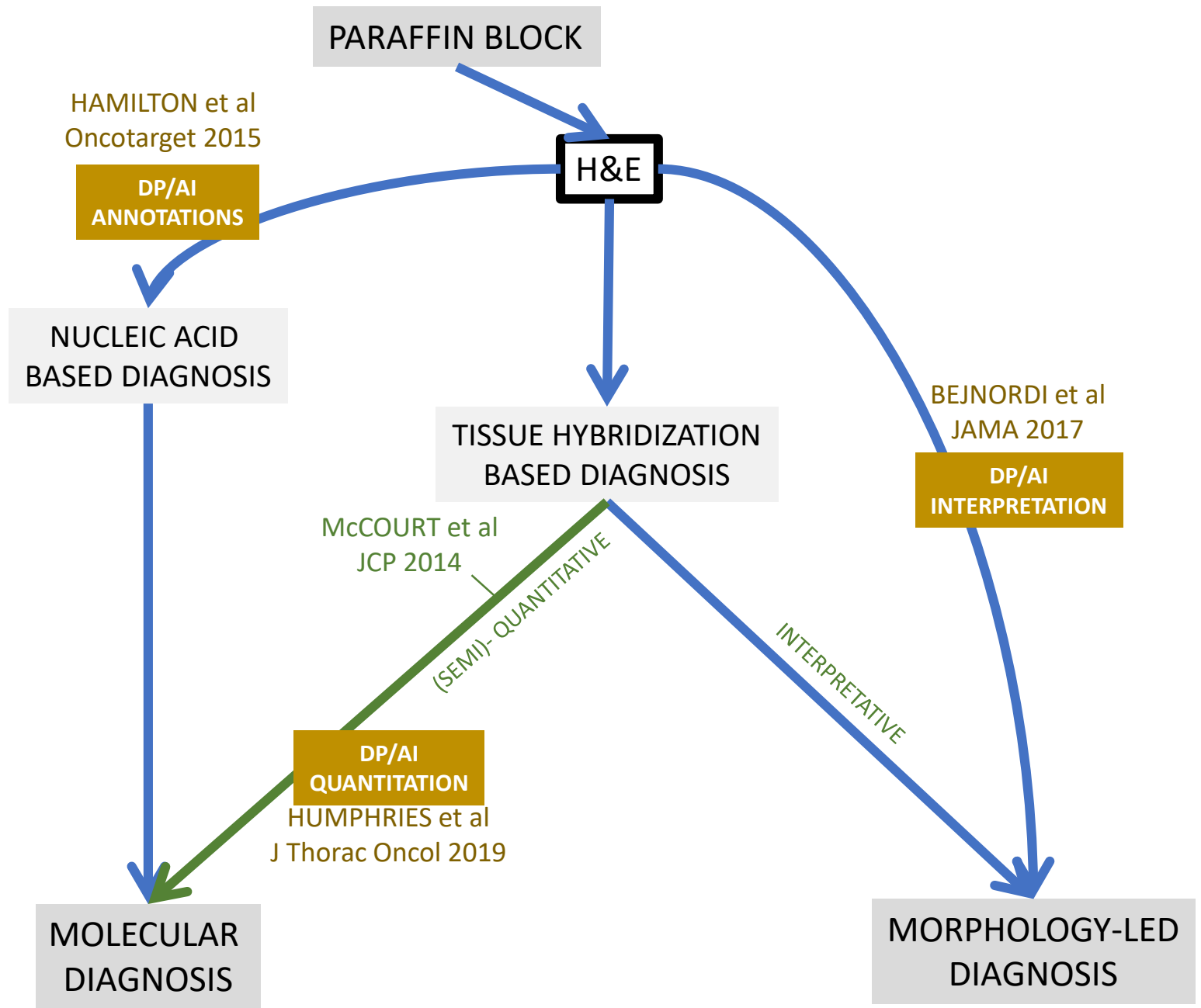
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Biomarker Development (Companion Diagnostics)

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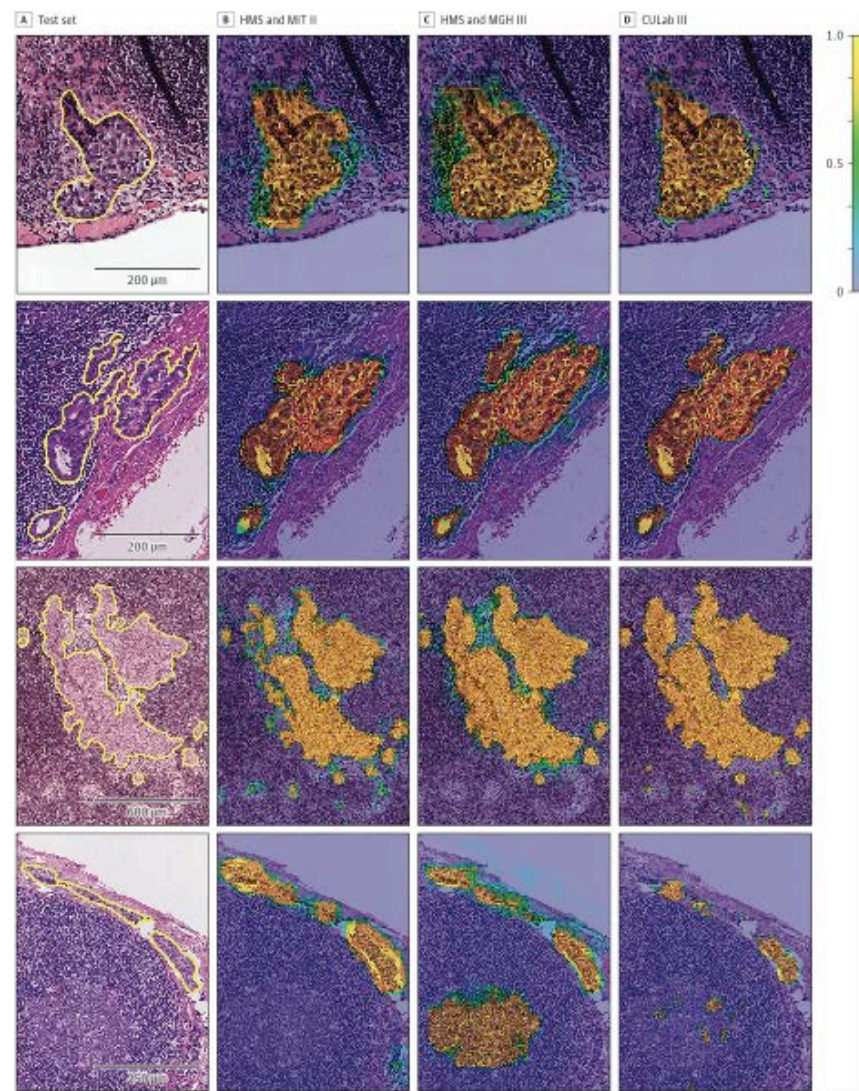


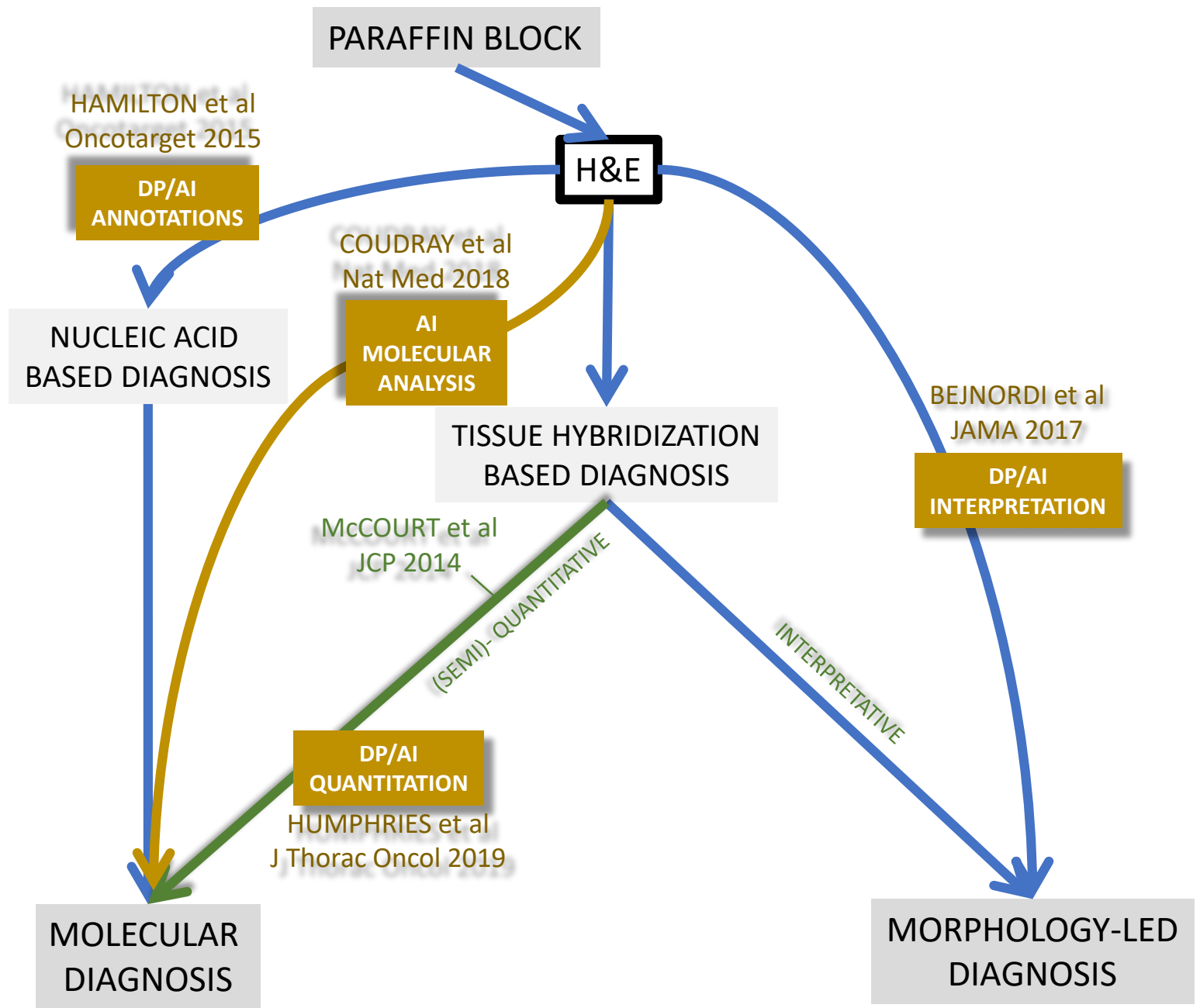


Diagnostic Assessment of Deep Learning Algorithms for Detection of Lymph Node Metastases in Women With Breast Cancer

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Figure 2. Probability Maps Generated by the Top 3 Algorithms From the CAMELYON16 Competition





Classification and mutation prediction from non-small cell lung cancer histopathology images using deep learning

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Deep learning can predict microsatellite instability directly from histology in gastrointestinal cancer

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SAMPLE ANNOTATION AHEAD OF NUCLEIC ACID EXTRACTION AND MOL TESTING



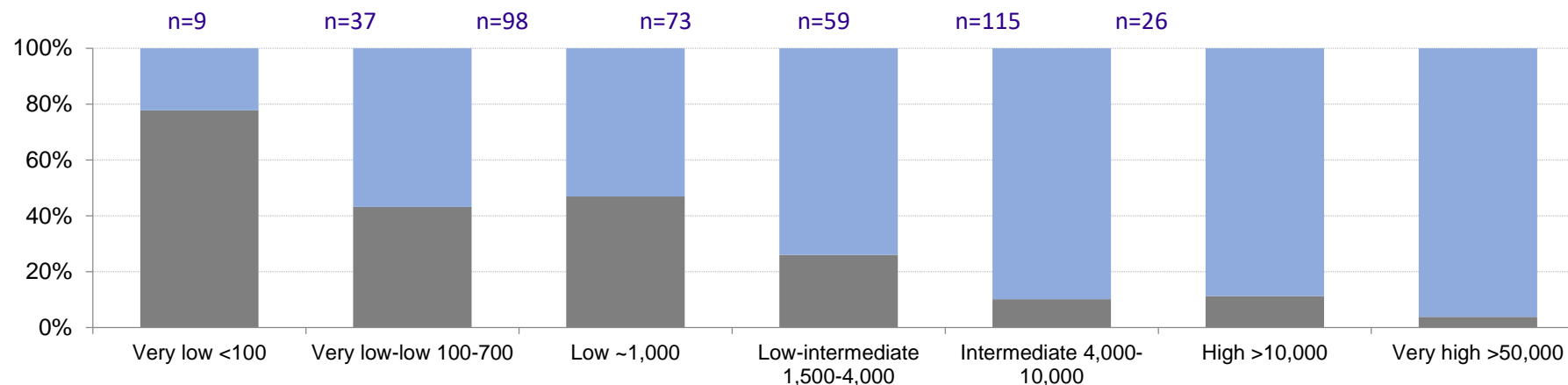
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NGS Failure Rates

Quantity of DNA
Quality of DNA

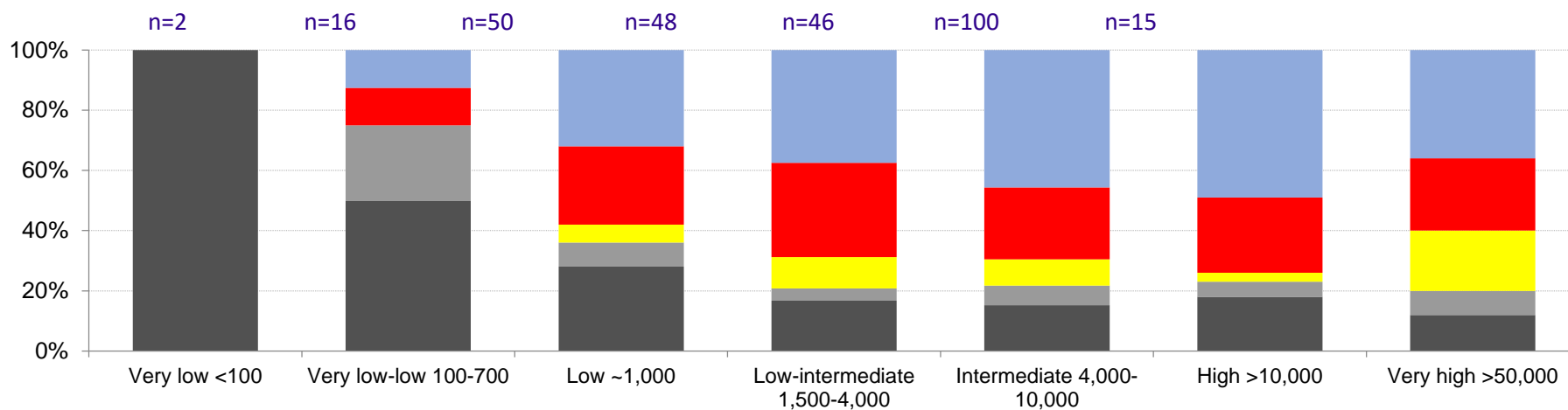
QC fail result at varying sample cellularity



■ QC Pass
■ QC Fail

Sample size: 417

Number of genes failed at varying sample cellularity (samples run on NGS)

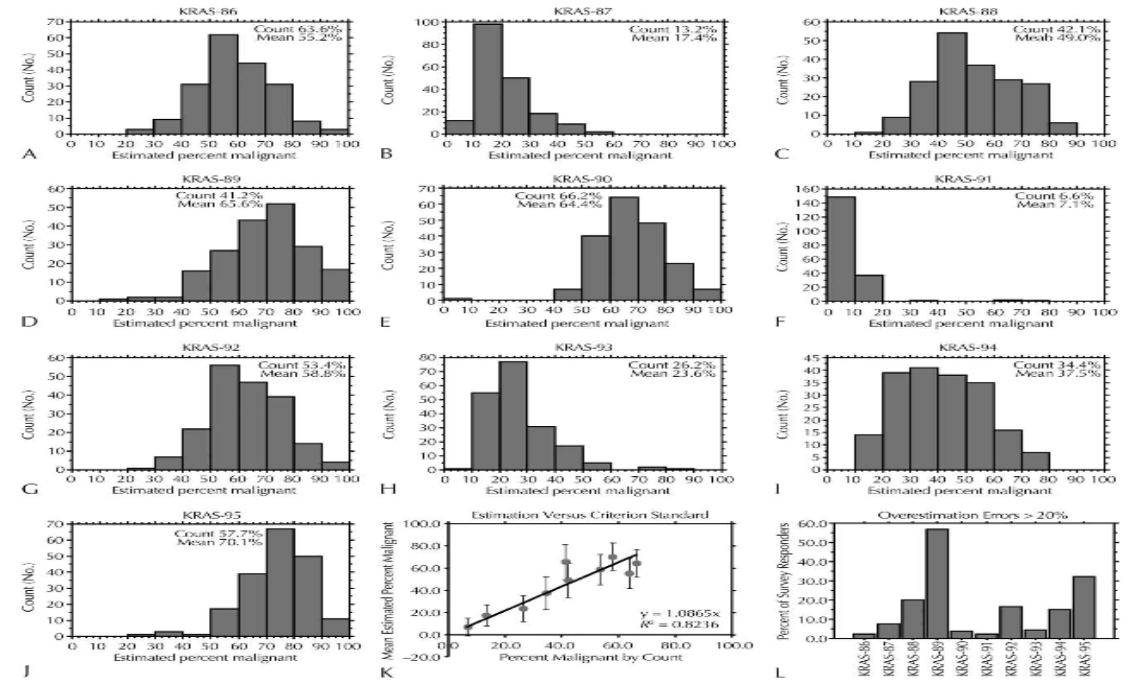
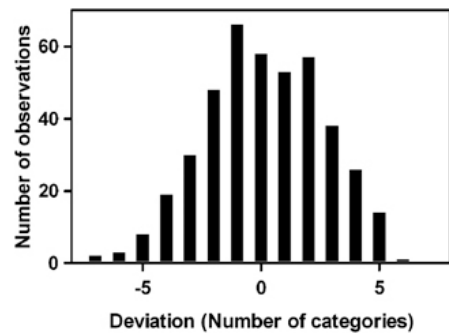
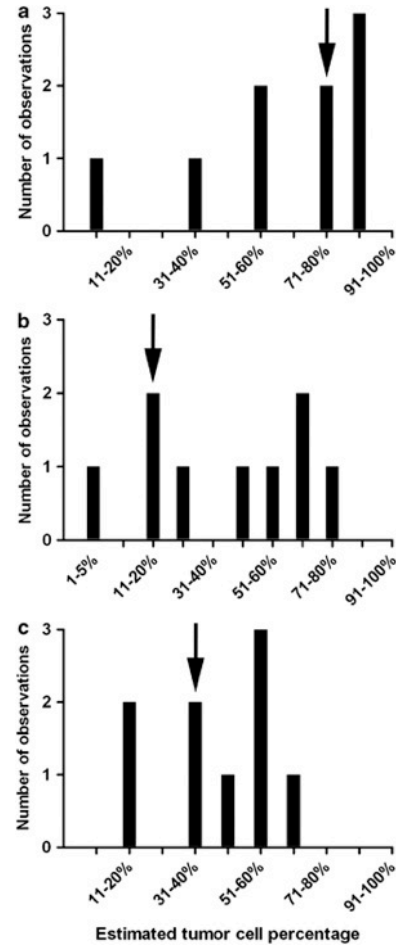
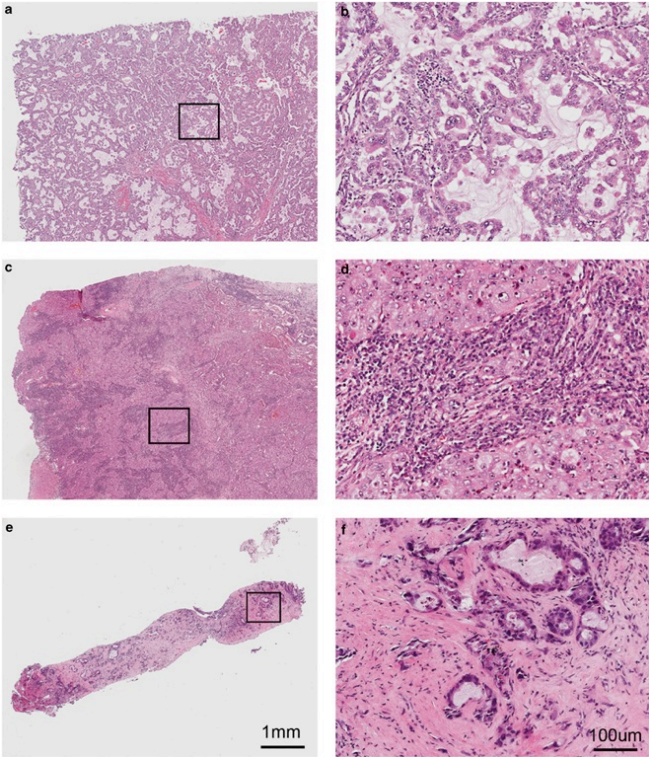


■ All genes passed
■ 1-7 genes failed
■ 8-14 genes failed
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■ 22-all genes failed

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Lung Cancer: Variation in % Tumor Cell Evaluation

Colorectal Cancer: Variation in % Tumor Cell Evaluation



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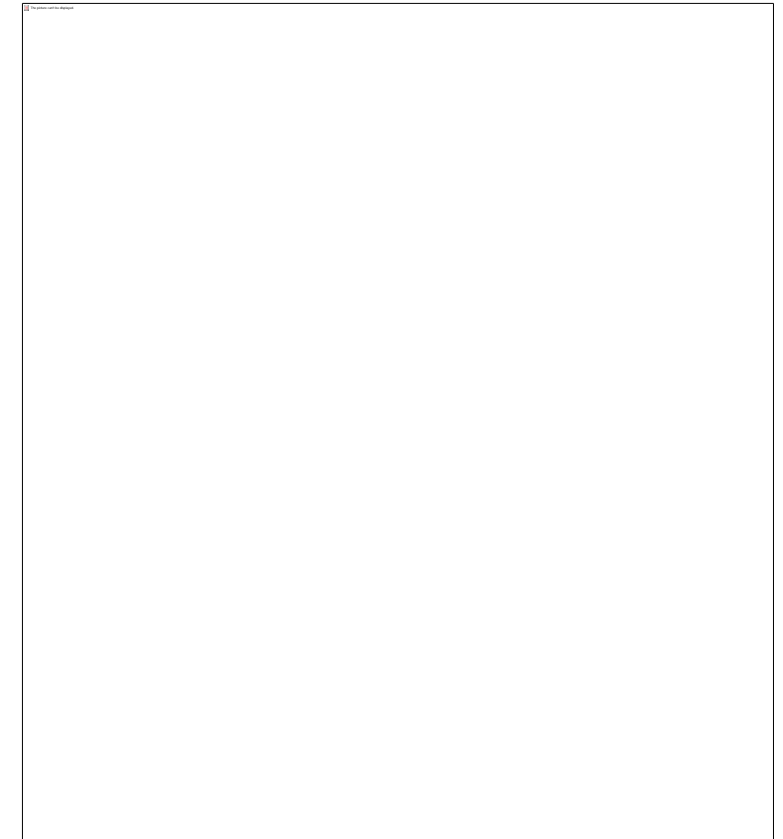
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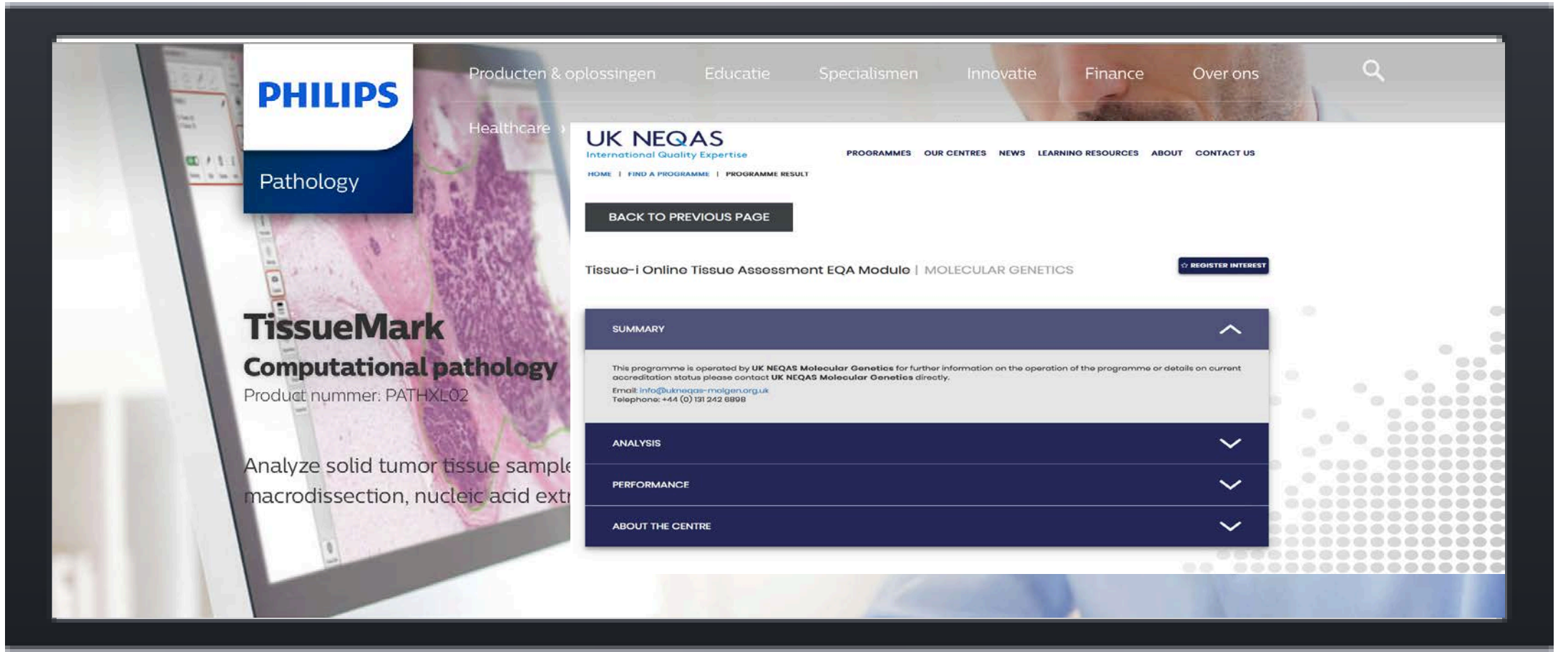
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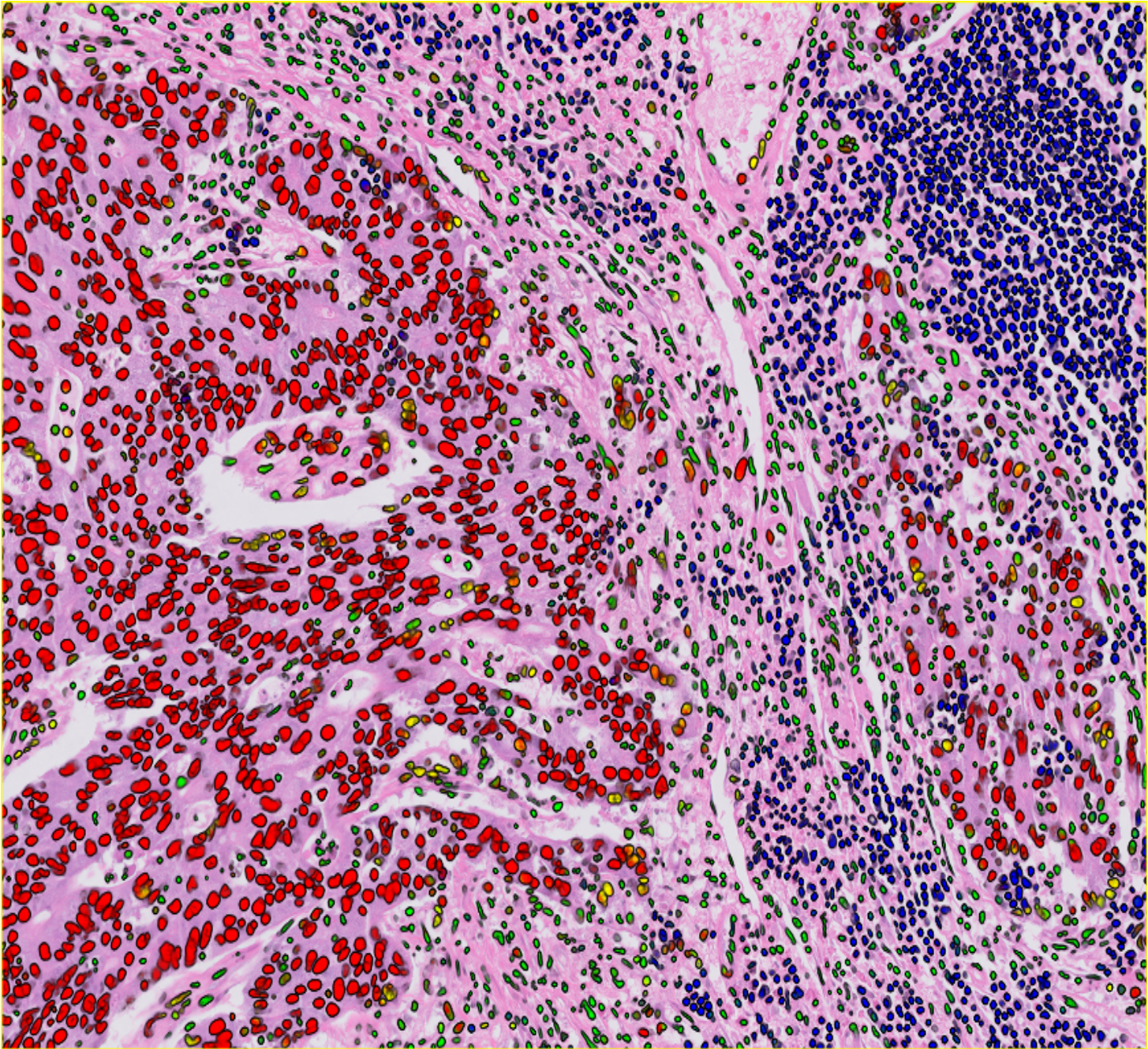




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TGFβ drives immune evasion in genetically reconstituted colon cancer metastasis

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Immunohistochemical quantifications

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QuPath: Open source software for digital pathology image analysis

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Fast, flexible image viewer capable of displaying whole slide images (often > 30 GB uncompressed) using dynamic colour transforms (e.g. stain separation) & tracking slide navigation
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Table 3. Socio-demographic characteristics of surgically resected Stage 2 and 3 colon adenocarcinoma patients diagnosed in Northern Ireland (NI), 2004-2008.

Characteristic	NI Biobank remit n=740 (%)	Not retrieved N=79 (%)	NI Biobank retrieved n=661 (%)	P-value*
Year of diagnosis				
2004	121 (16.4)	19 (24.1)	102 (15.4)	
2005	155 (21.0)	25 (31.7)	130 (19.7)	
2006	136 (18.4)	10 (12.7)	126 (19.1)	
2007	154 (20.8)	13 (16.5)	141 (21.3)	
2008	174 (23.5)	12 (15.2)	162 (24.5)	0.01
Sex				
Male	398 (53.8)	40 (50.6)	358 (54.2)	
Female	342 (46.2)	39 (49.4)	303 (45.8)	0.55
Age at diagnosis, years				
Mean ±SD	70.3±11.5	67.1±11.8	70.6±11.4	0.01
<50	47 (6.4)	9 (11.4)	38 (5.8)	
50-<60	75 (10.1)	11 (13.9)	64 (9.7)	
60-<70	205 (27.7)	25 (31.7)	180 (27.2)	
70-<80	262 (35.4)	23 (29.1)	239 (36.2)	
≥80	151 (20.4)	11 (13.9)	140 (21.2)	0.08
Stage				
II	426 (57.6)	32 (40.5)	394 (59.6)	
III	314 (42.4)	47 (59.5)	268 (40.4)	0.01
Tumour grade				
Well-moderate	631 (85.3)	64 (81.0)	567 (85.8)	
Poor	105 (14.2)	15 (19.0)	90 (13.6)	
Unknown	4 (0.5)	0 (0.0)	4 (0.6)	0.35
Family history of CRC				
No	371 (50.1)	41 (51.9)	330 (49.9)	
Yes	105 (14.2)	19 (24.05)	86 (13.0)	
Unknown	264 (35.7)	19 (24.05)	245 (37.1)	0.009
Adjuvant chemotherapy use				
No	512 (69.2)	37 (46.8)	475 (71.9)	
Yes	228 (30.8)	42 (53.2)	186 (28.1)	<0.001
ECOG performance status				
0-1	378 (51.1)	40 (50.6)	338 (51.1)	
2	47 (6.4)	5 (6.3)	42 (6.4)	
3-4	33 (4.5)	3 (3.8)	30 (4.5)	
Unknown	282 (38.1)	31 (39.2)	251 (38.0)	0.99
Deaths by 31st Dec 2013				
No	401 (54.2)	47 (59.5)		
Yes, all-cause	339 (45.8)	32 (40.5)		
Yes, colorectal-cancer specific	237 (32.0)	25 (31.7)		

*Chi-squared or t-tests comparing patients with Biobank remit v. patients with non-retrieved samples.
**Area-based measure of socio-economic status based on usual address at time of colon cancer diagnosis.

Table 4. Risk factors associated with survival in all Stage 2 and 3 colon adenocarcinoma patients diagnosed in Northern Ireland, 2004-2008, and retrieved by Northern Ireland Biobank (n=661).

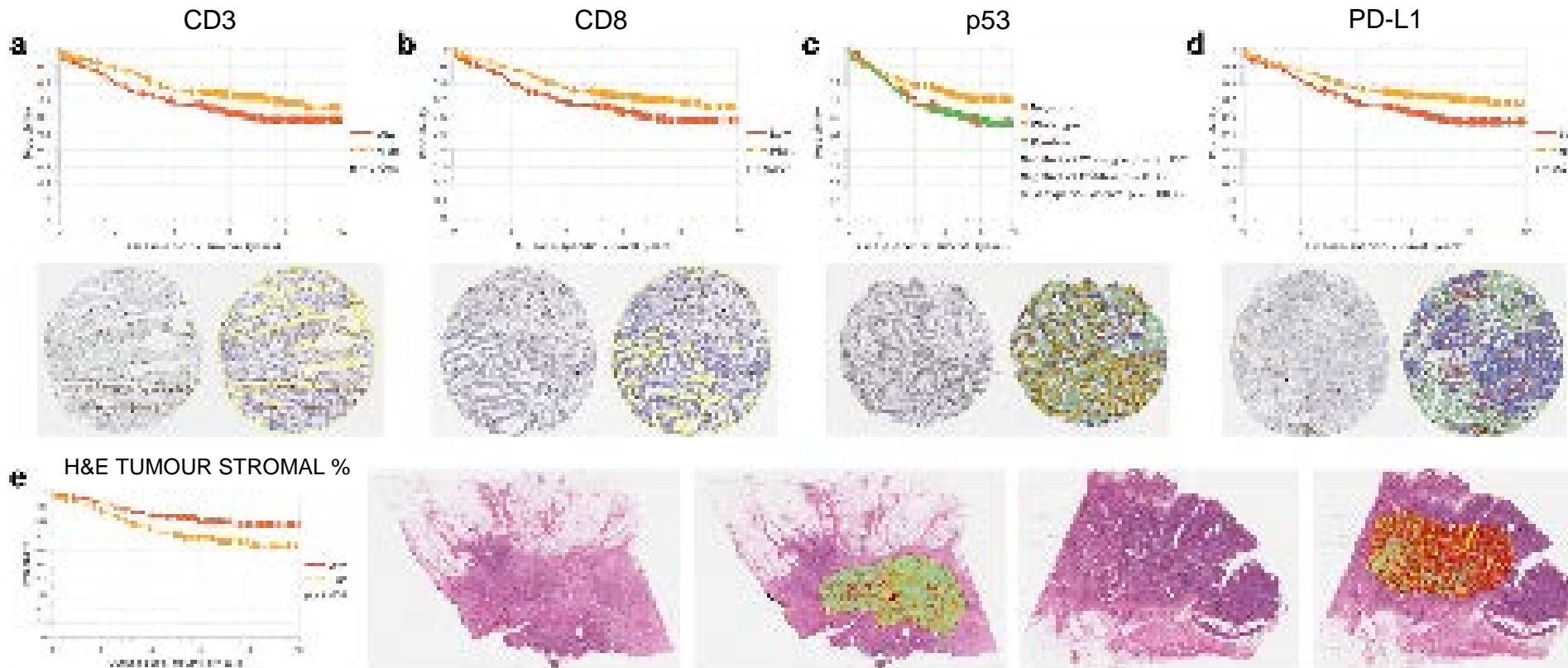
Risk factor	Alive n=354	All Deaths n=308	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	CRC Deaths n=212 (%)	Hazard ratio (95% CI)
Sex					
Male	194	164	1.00	116	1.00
Female	160	143	0.98 (0.78-1.23)	96	0.93 (0.71-1.23)
Age at diagnosis, years					
<50	26	12	1.00	11	1.00
50-<60	43	21	0.72 (0.35-1.48)	17	0.64 (0.29-1.37)
60-<70	119	61	0.79 (0.42-1.50)	52	0.77 (0.39-1.51)
70-<80	123	116	0.95 (0.51-1.76)	71	0.64 (0.32-1.24)
≥80	43	97	1.62 (0.85-3.08)	61	1.15 (0.57-2.32)
Stage					
II	229	165	1.00	94	1.00
III	125	142	2.02 (1.55-2.63)	118	2.74 (1.99-3.78)
Tumour grade					
Well-moderately differentiated	307	260	1.00	178	1.00
Poorly differentiated	44	46	1.44 (1.02-2.04)	34	1.58 (1.06-2.36)
Unknown	3	1	/	0	/
Adjuvant chemotherapy receipt					
No	228	247	1.00	157	1.00
Yes	126	60	0.47 (0.33-0.67)	55	0.53 (0.35-0.79)
Family history of colorectal cancer					
No	195	135	1.00	94	1.00
Yes	52	34	1.08 (0.73-1.60)	27	1.15 (0.73-1.79)
Unknown	107	138	1.43 (1.11-1.83)	91	1.48 (1.09-2.01)
ECOG performance status					
0-1	196	142	1.00	99	1.00
2	15	27	1.43 (0.93-2.20)	19	1.47 (0.88-2.46)
3-4	11	19	1.63 (0.98-2.70)	16	2.02 (1.15-3.56)
Unknown	132	119	1.11 (0.86-1.43)	78	1.00 (0.73-1.36)

All results mutually adjusted – we recommend all models are adjusted

(adjustment for): age (in categories), gender, year of diagnosis (as a continuous variable), grade, MSI status, ECOG performance status, family history of colorectal cancer, adjuvant chemotherapy receipt (by use (within three months of surgery) and stage.

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QuPath is an open, powerful, flexible, extensible software platform for whole slide image analysis.

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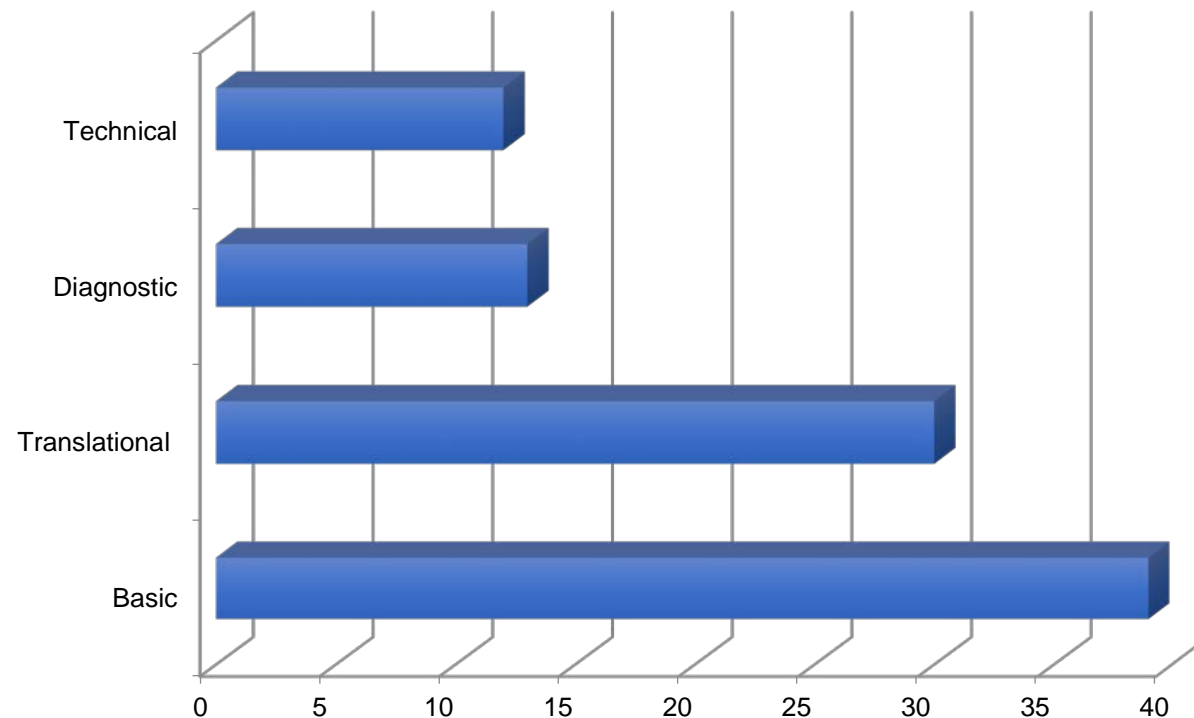
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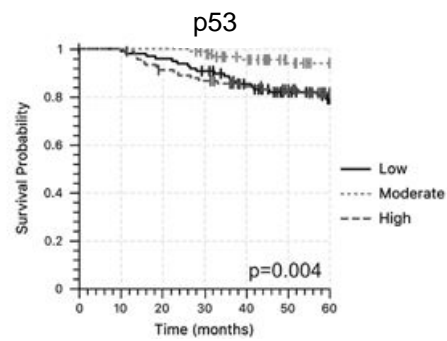
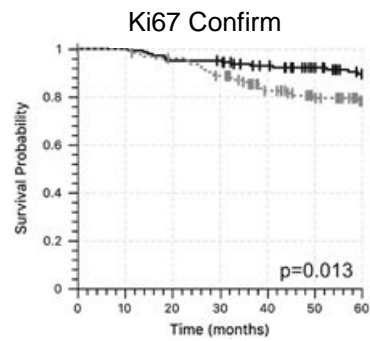
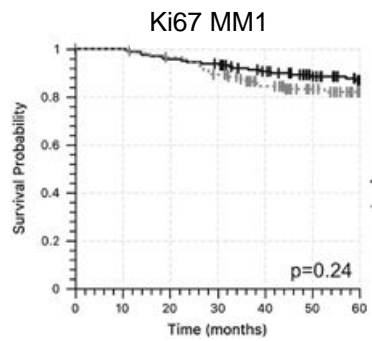
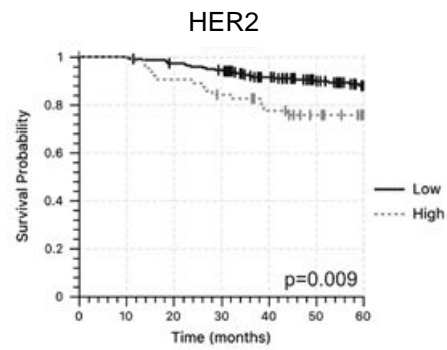
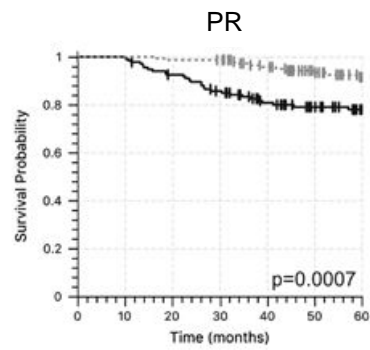
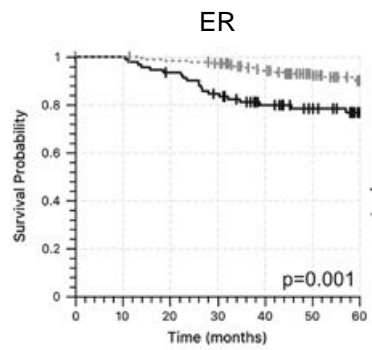
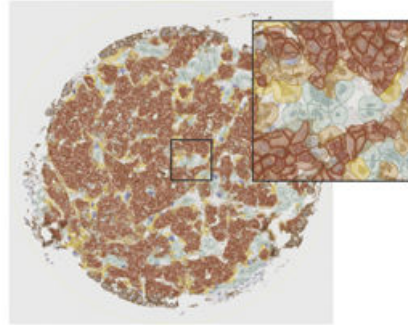
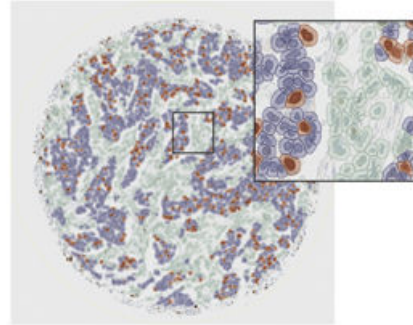
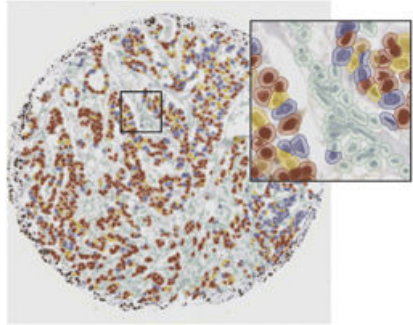
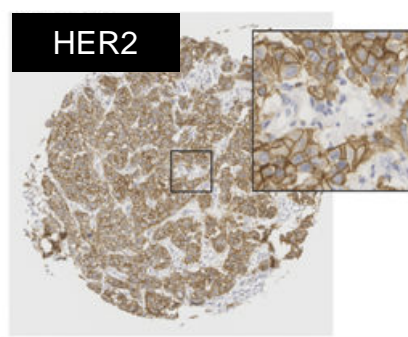
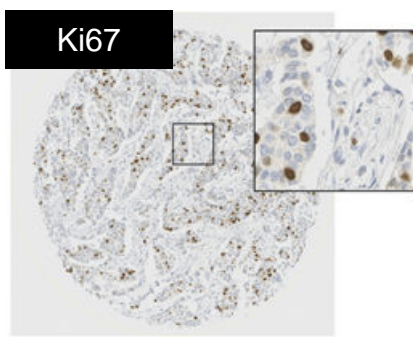
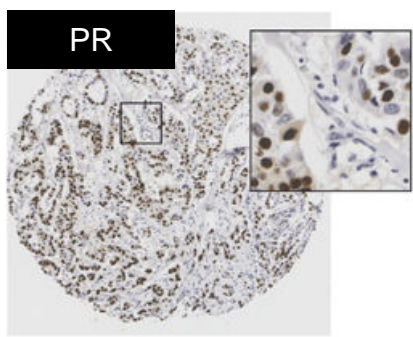
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PATHOBIOLOGY IN FOCUS

Integrated tumor identification and automated scoring minimizes pathologist involvement and provides new insights to key biomarkers in breast cancer

Peter Bankhead¹, José A Fernández¹, Darragh G McArt¹, David P Boyle¹, Gerald Li¹, Maurice B Loughrey^{1,2}, Gareth W Irwin¹, D Paul Harkin³, Jacqueline A James^{1,2}, Stephen McQuaid^{1,2}, Manuel Salto-Tellez^{1,2} and Peter W Hamilton¹

A comparison of deep learning performance against health-care professionals in detecting diseases from medical imaging: a systematic review and meta-analysis



Xiaoxuan Liu, Livia Faes*, Aditya U Kale, Siegfried K Wagner, Dun Jack Fu, Alice Bruynseels, Thushika Mahendiran, Gabriella Moraes, Mohith Shamdas, Christoph Kern, Joseph R Ledsam, Martin K Schmid, Konstantinos Balaskas, Eric J Topol, Lucas M Bachmann, Pearse A Keane, Alastair K Denniston*

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Diagnostic performance of deep learning models to be equivalent to that of health-care professionals.

However:

Few studies presented externally validated results or made comparisons using the same sample. Poor reporting is prevalent in deep learning studies, which limits reliable interpretation of the reported diagnostic accuracy.

New reporting standards that address specific challenges of deep learning could improve future studies, enabling greater confidence in the results of future evaluations of this promising technology.

Ki67 reproducibility using digital image analysis: an inter-platform and inter-operator study

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149 breast cancers, TMA format

The Mib-1 antibody (Dako) was used to detect Ki67 (dilution 1:100).

- HALO (IndicaLab),
- QuantCenter (3DHistech)
- QuPath (open source software)

“Our results showed outstanding reproducibility both within and between-DIA platforms, including one freely available DIA platform (QuPath).”

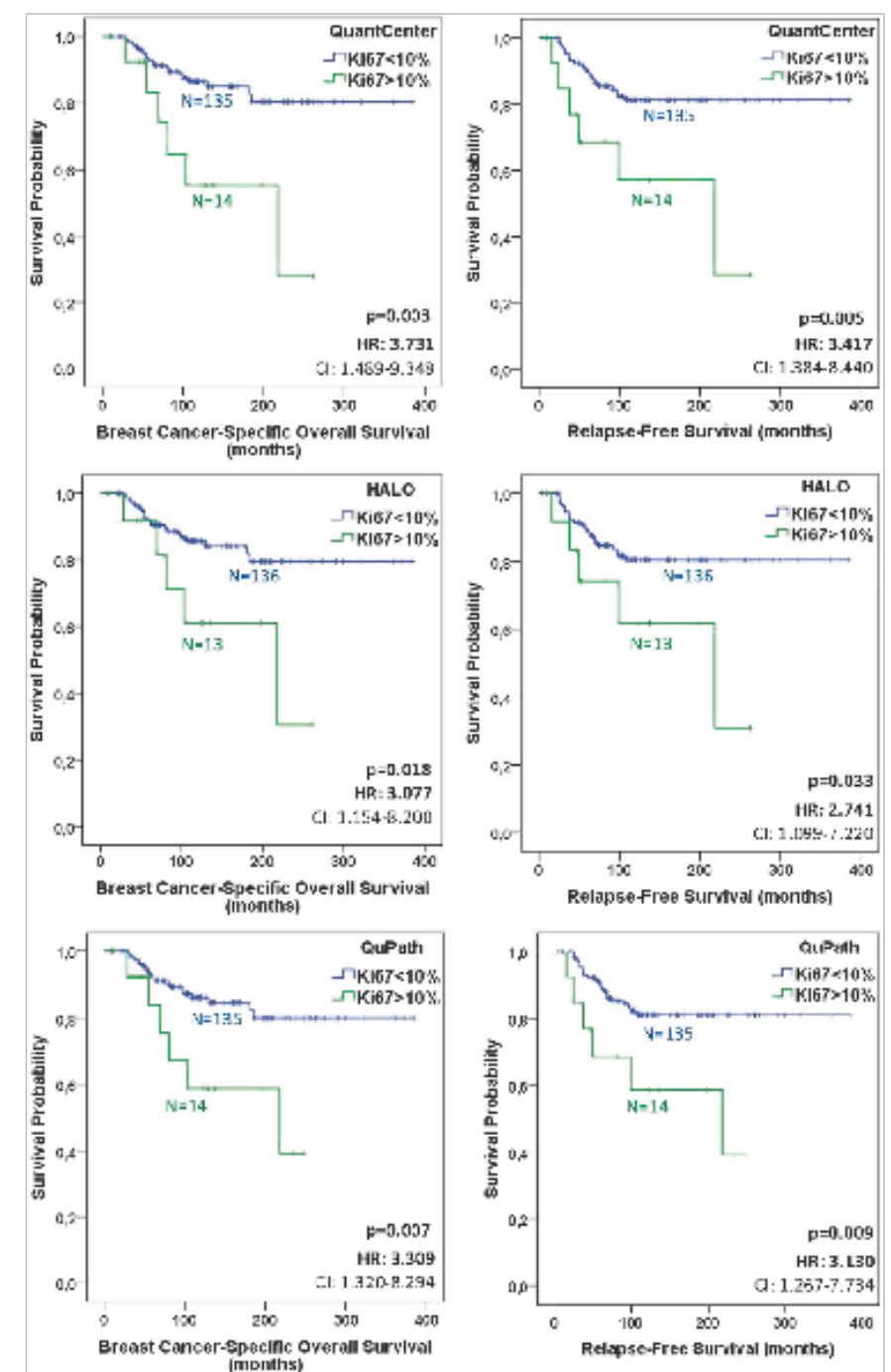


Fig. 6 Kaplan-Meier plots of automated Ki67 scores from the investigated digital image analysis platforms. P values are from Log-rank test



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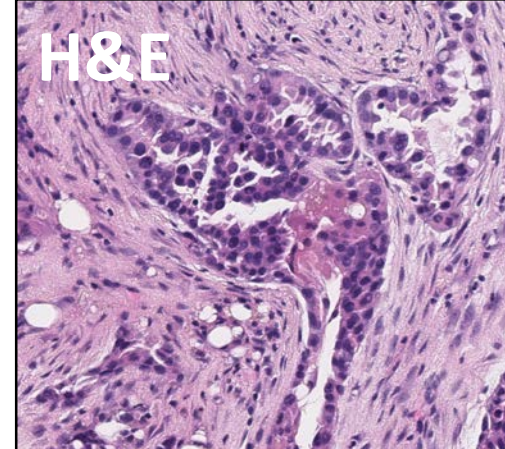
Critical appraisal of PD-L1 reflex diagnostic testing: current standards and future opportunities

Matthew P. Humphries, Stephen McQuaid, Stephanie Craig, Victoria Bingham, Perry Maxwell, Manisha Maurya, Fiona McLean, James Sampson, Patricia Higgins, Christine Greene, Jacqueline James, Manuel Salto-Tellez  

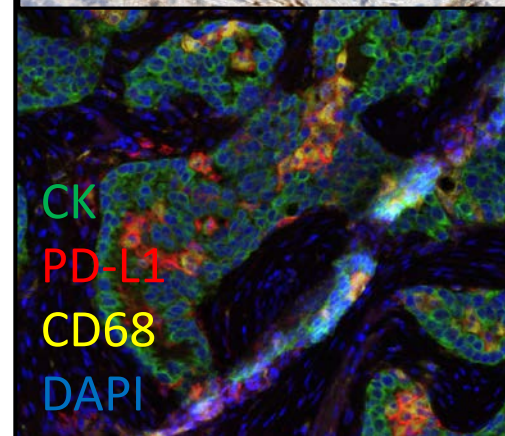
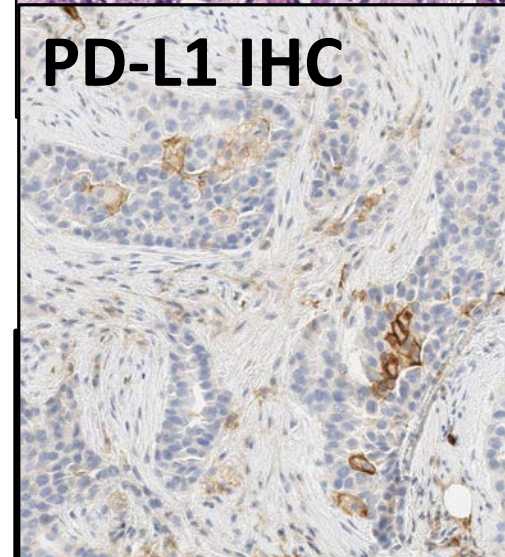
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H&E



PD-L1 IHC



A

		Digital Assessment		
		<1%	1-49%	>50%
Manual Assessment	<1%	4	2	0
	1-49%	0	16	1
	>50%	0	3	5

B

		Digital Assessment		
		<1%	1-49%	>50%
Manual Assessment	<1%	10	5	0
	1-49%	1	6	0
	>50%	0	0	9

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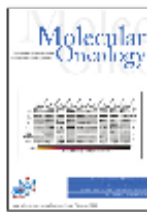
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Review

Molecular pathology – The value of an integrative approach

Manuel Salto-Tellez^{a,b,*}, Jacqueline A. James^{a,b}, Peter W. Hamilton^a^aNorthern Ireland Molecular Pathology Laboratory, Centre for Cancer Research and Cell Biology, Queen's University, Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK^bTissue Pathology, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust, Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK*Salto-Tellez, James & Hamilton.**Molecular Oncology, 2014 Oct;8(7):1163-8*

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Integrated molecular pathology:
the Belfast modelManuel Salto-Tellez¹ and Richard D. Kennedy^{1,2}

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Drug Discovery Today, 2015, in press.*

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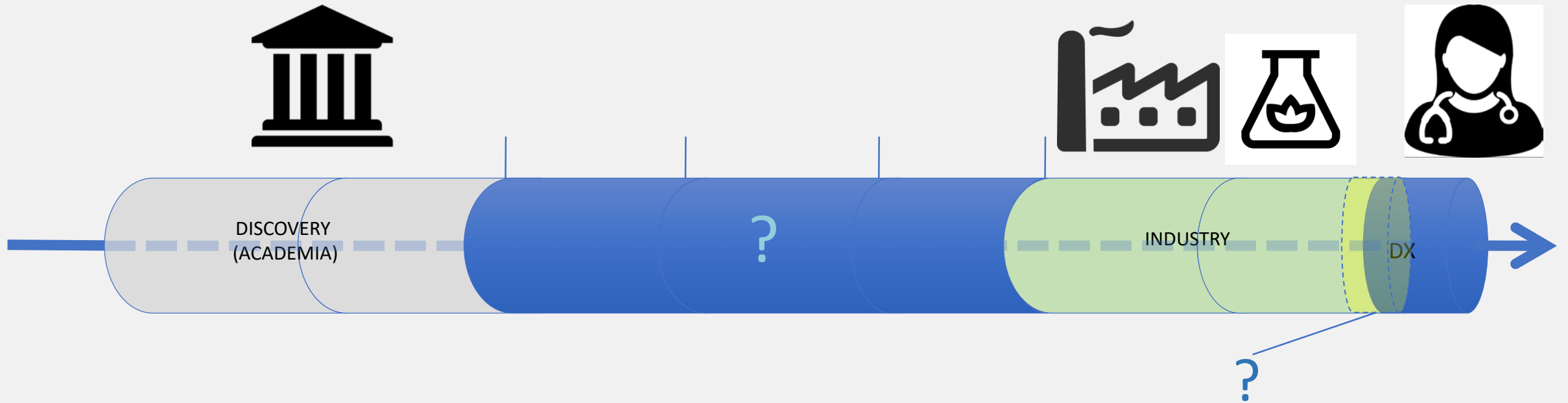


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60 staff
£19.1M direct competitive funds
£35.0M including indirect funds
Molecular diagnostic service
± 150 peer reviewed papers
Significant traction and support with industry

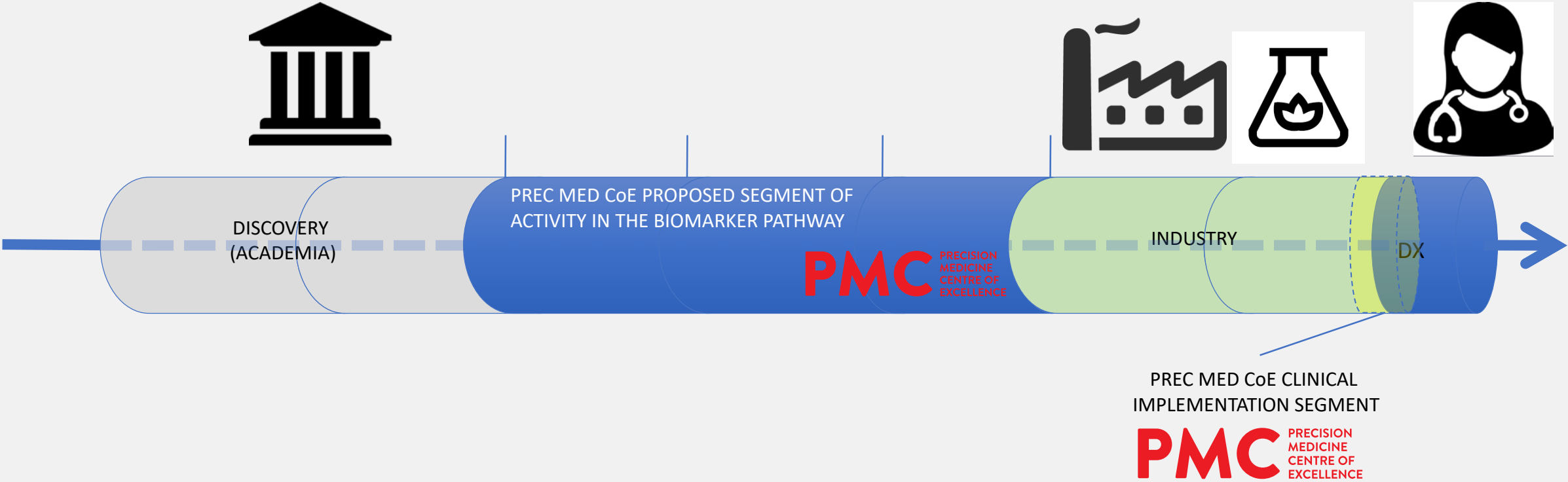
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GENOMICS

MAIN ASSAYS OFFERED

- DNA extraction, purification and QC
- Whole Genome Sequencing
- Shallow whole genome sequencing
- Exome Sequencing
- Hybrid capture panels (multiple panels available)
- Droplet digital PCR

Sample types:

- Whole blood
- Plasma/serum
- FFPE material
- Fresh frozen tissue
- DNA

KEY EQUIPMENT



BioMek i7 Liquid Handler

- Automated Sample Prep
- Can perform multiple sample prep methods
- Highly reproducible results
- Limited interaction required
- Can be run 24 hours a day
- Hundreds of samples can be prepared per run



Agilent 4200 TapeStation

- Allows QC of 96 samples per run
- Provides quantification and sizing information
- Easy load and limited set up required



Droplet Digital PCR, QX200 with AutoDG

- Allows extremely sensitive detection of variants
- Up to 96 samples per run
- Limited hands on time required
- Automated droplet generation yields highly reproducible results



NovaSeq 6000

- NovaSeq provides high throughput sequencing
- Highly flexible sequencing outputs, from 65 6000 Gb of data per run
- At full capacity, each NovaSeq run can sequence whole human genomes or 500 human exomes
- Can perform multiple runs per week
- 50x more output than the NextSeq 500
- Vastly reduces per sample sequencing costs
- NextSeq 500 also available for smaller sequencing runs
- MiSeq available for QC runs of sequencing libraries

For details of Genomics services contact:

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SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT

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BIOINFORMATICS

KEY SERVICES OFFERED



Supporting the Genomics and Tissue Hybridisation and Digital Pathology groups, the Bioinformatics team provide two main services:

- Custom-tailored genomic data analysis beyond the predefined analysis offered by the data-generating platforms at the Precision Medicine Centre
- Computational infrastructure on Microsoft Azure Cloud including data management and genomic data analysis tools for the clinical genomic diagnostics and research.

For details of Bioinformatics services contact:

Dr Chang Kim at c.kim@qub.ac.uk or Dr Shambhavi Srivastava at s.srivastava@qub.ac.uk

TISSUE HYBRIDISATION AND DIGITAL PATHOLOGY

MAIN ASSAYS OFFERED

- Single and multiplexing biomarker Immunohistochemistry, fluorescence and chromogenic (DDISH)
- In situ hybridisation, fluorescence and chromogenic (RNAScope)
- Antibody technical validation
- Microtomy, Haematoxylin and Eosin staining service
- Digital and glass Pathology review/annotation for TMA bespoke design, mapping and construction

- Full spectrum digital analysis capability; choice of image analysis programs and algorithms

Sample types:

- Formalin Fixed Paraffin Embedded (FFPE) blocks and sections

KEY EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE



Roche/Ventana Ultra

- Fully automated Immunohistochemistry and In situ Hybridisation platform



Bond Rx

- Fully automated Immunohistochemistry and In situ Hybridisation platform



Aperio AT2 Scanning

- Up to 400 slide loading capacity for scanning of glass microscope slides x20 and x40



Polaris, Multichannel Fluorescence

- Continuous scan loading capacity
- Scans at x10-x40 brightfield and fluorescence
- Up to nine, unmixed colour capture

Analysis

- Project oriented image analysis with a choice of programs and algorithms available
- QuPath
- Definiens
- Visiopharm
- Halo (RUO)

For details of Tissue Hybridisation and Digital Pathology services contact:

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PARALLEL DIAGNOSTIC PATHWAYS

H&E - ISH - IHC - digitalization



DNA Extraction - LT PCR - Library Prep/NGS

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INTEGRATED DIAGNOSTIC PATHWAYS



H&E - ISH - IHC - digitalization
DNA Extraction - LT PCR - Library Prep/NGS

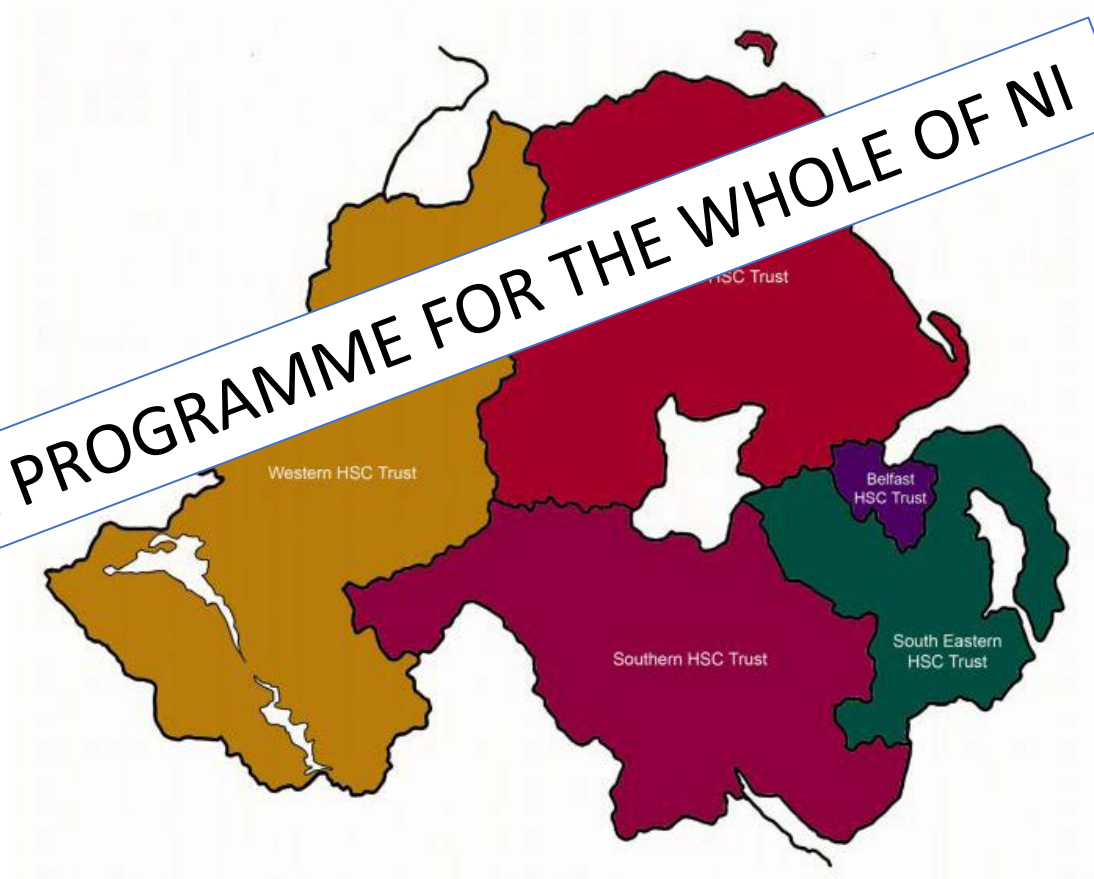
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- 5 Trusts
- 4 Pathology Departments
- 2 Cancer Centres
- 2 Universities
- Catching up with the rest of Europe = 1.9M

SINGLE PERSONALISED MEDICINE PROGRAMME FOR THE WHOLE OF NI





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