

cfDNA analysis in a molecular pathology laboratory

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Ipatimup

- Founding member of i3S
- Leading cancer research institute in Portugal
- Founding partner of **Porto Comprehensive Cancer Center**



i3S

- Biggest research in health institute in Portugal (1250 researchers);
- Cancer, Neurosciences and Host-Pathogen interactions research lines

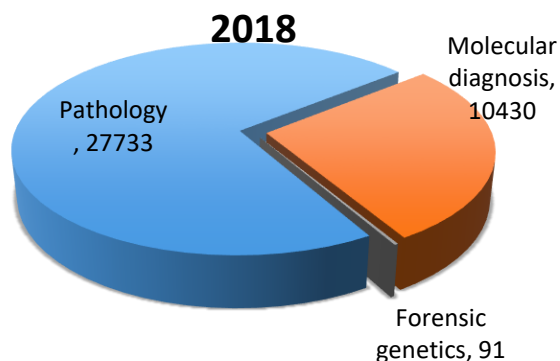
IPATIMUP diagnostics

Provide services in the areas of surgical pathology and cytopathology, genetic diagnosis and genetic identification and parentage, in order to improve Portuguese citizens life quality.

Molecular diagnosis

- *Tumor mutation screening – 4220 cases*
- *Genetic diagnosis – 2960 cases*
- *Pre-natal screening – 3260 cases*

Laboratory accreditation



Lung cancer clinically relevant alterations

EGFR sensitizing

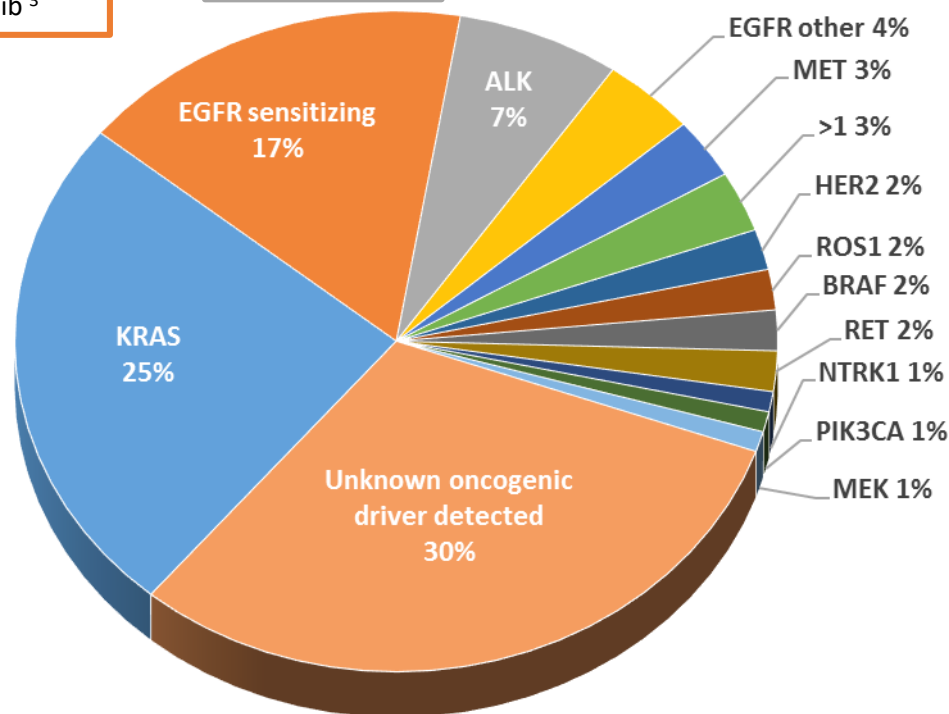
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- DS-6051b ¹



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| 2 – Phase II | 4 – Approved |

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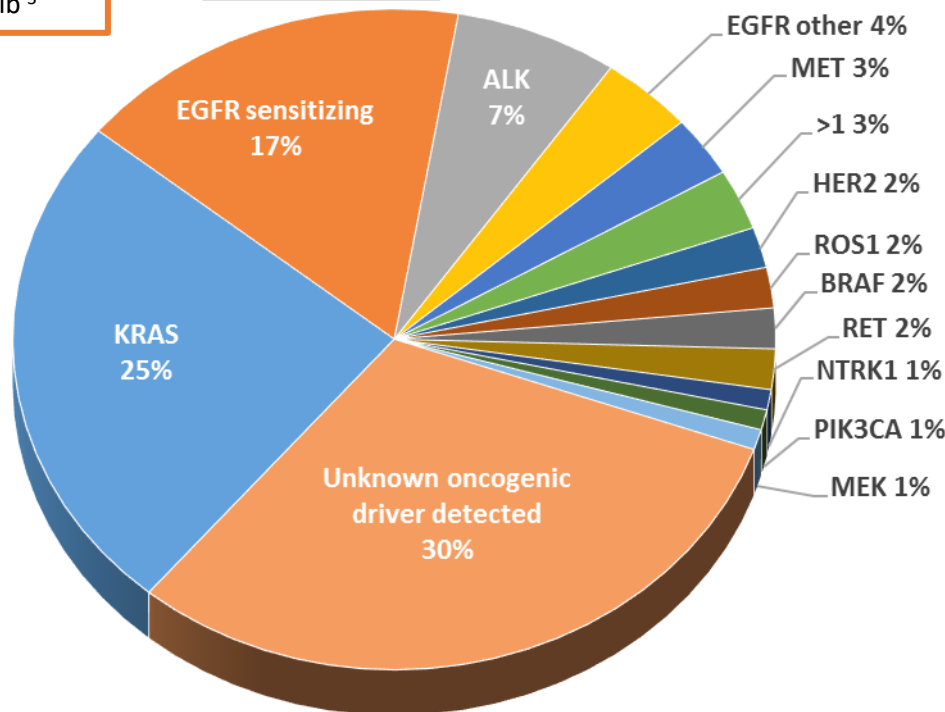
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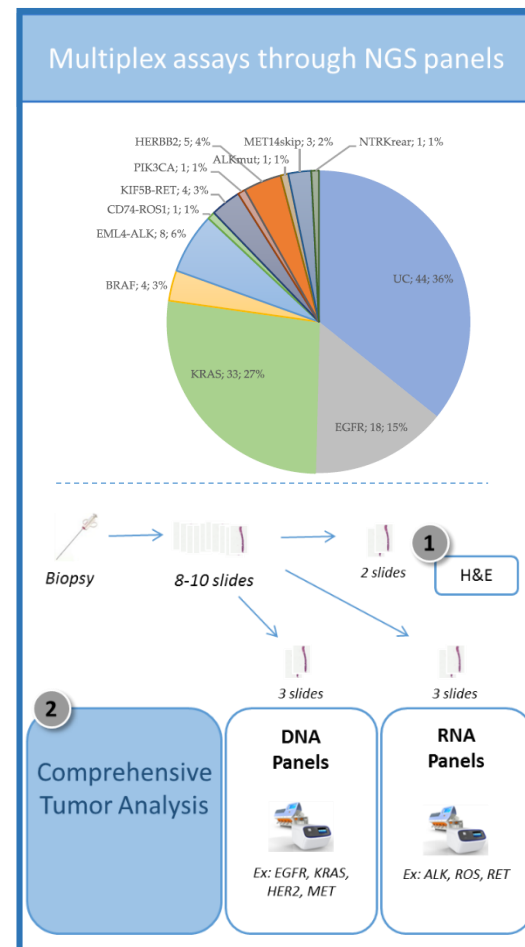
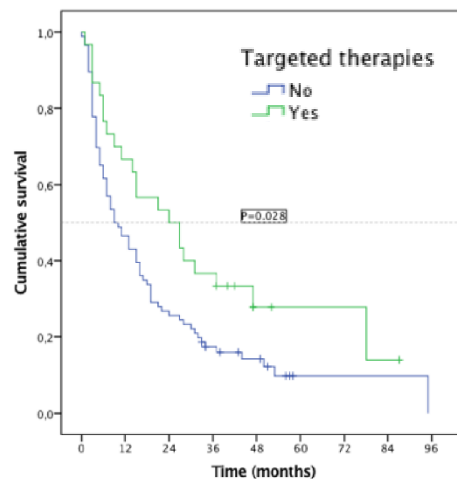
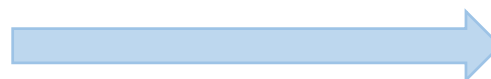
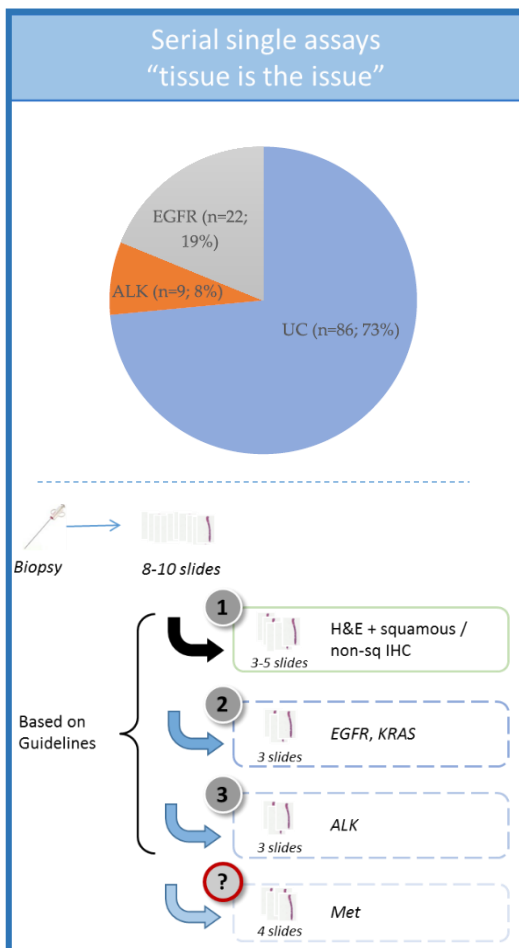
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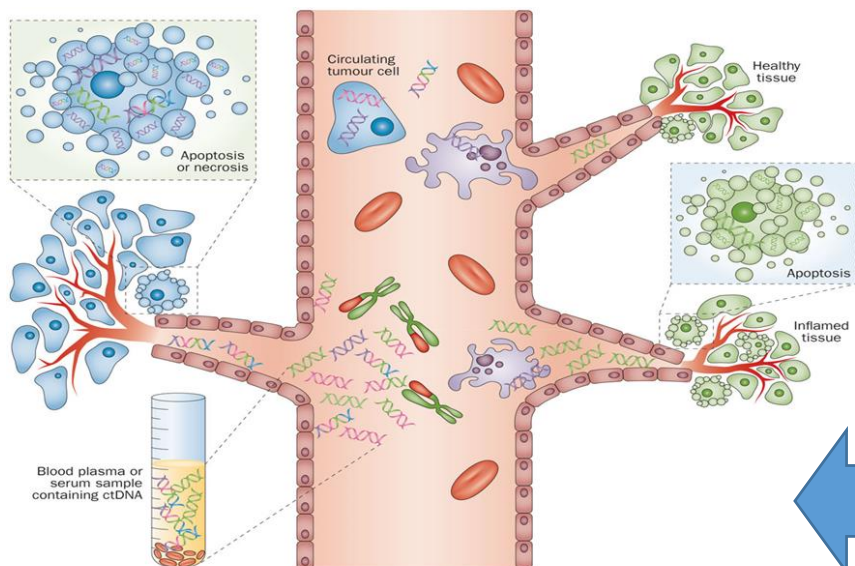


Comprehensive biomarker characterization



Comprehensive biomarker testing leads to better future patient care

Lung cancer characterization ctDNA analysis



Diagnosis

Therapy
selection

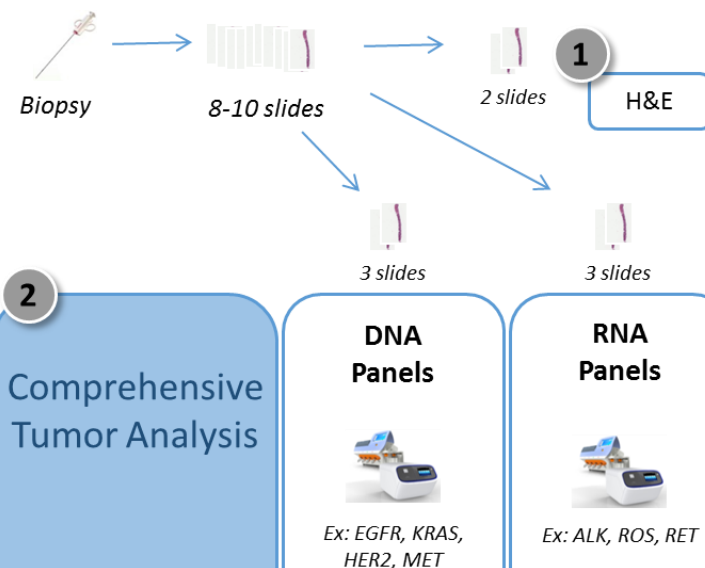
Monitoring

Therapy
resistance

Relapse

Therapy
selection

Multiplex assays through NGS panels



Tissue may not be available for
all assays or situations

Validated strategy

Plasma
collection

cfDNA
isolation

NGS
Variant
Discovery

dPCR
validation

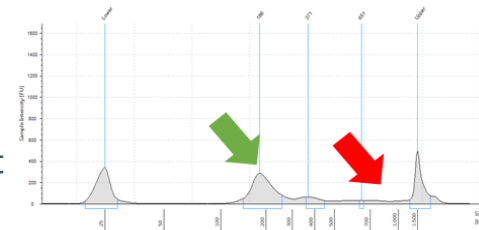
1. Plasma collection

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(K2EDTA)

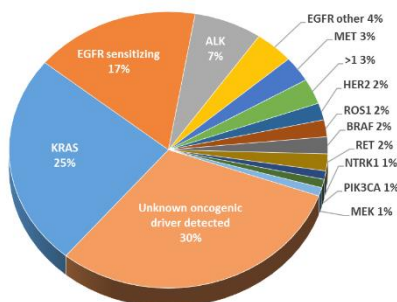


2. cfDNA isolation

MagMax
cfDNA
extraction kit



3. NGS variant identification



- Ion AmpliSeq **Colon & Lung** Cancer Research Panel
- Ion AmpliSeq **RNA Fusion Lung** Cancer Research Panel
- Oncomine **cfDNA Lung** assay



Ion S5xl System

4. Digital PCR validation



TaqMan Assays

QuantStudio 3D Digital PCR System



ISO 15189 accreditation

OncoNetwork multicentric study

sensitivity and specificity

Lab	Sensitivity	Specificity	NPV	PPV
ARCNET	89,6%	99,6%	99,6%	87,8%
CROM	95,8%	100,0%	99,8%	100,0%
IPATIMUP	95,8%	100,0%	99,8%	100,0%
Radboud	89,6%	99,8%	99,6%	95,6%
Queens	97,9%	99,9%	99,9%	97,9%
St James	95,8%	100,0%	99,8%	100,0%
UHCW	95,8%	99,8%	99,8%	93,9%
Charite	95,8%	99,8%	99,8%	93,9%
Viollier*	97,5%	99,8%	99,9%	95,1%
HEGP	93,7%	99,7%	99,8%	91,8%
Kindai*	95,8%	99,7%	99,8%	92,0%
Total	94,8%	99,8%	99,8%	95,9%

Multiplex I cfDNA Reference

Standard Set (5%, 1%, 0,1%, 0%)

- EGFR p.L858R
- EGFR p.E746_A750delELREA
- EGFR p.T790M
- EGFR p.V769_D770insASV
- KRAS p.G12D
- PIK3CA p.E545K



OncoNetwork multicentric study

Benchmarking at 0.1% AF

		OncoNetwork study	FOUNDATION ACT	GUARDANT 360 [™]
Genes (n)		11	62	73
SNVs	sensitivity	83.9%	67.3%	63.8%
	PPV	99.1%	93.6%	92.1%
InDels	sensitivity	83.9%	86.2%	67.8%
	PPV	99.1%	100%	88.4%

www.foundationmedicine.com www.guardanthealth.com

Confident detection of variants at 0.1% AF

Liquid biopsy clinical performance study

Concordance analysis of liquid and tissue biopsy in NSCLC patients: a multi-institutional molecular pathology study

Multi-institutional study, 159 NSCLC patients who underwent tissue and plasma-NGS analysis:

1. 94 patients had concurrent tissue and plasma NGS analysis at diagnosis
2. 65 patients were monitored through plasma-NGS analysis – followed-up over time and compared to tissue biopsy at diagnosis

Alborelli I., Costa J.L. et al.: data from IPATIMUP (Porto) and the Institute of Pathology of Basel

Liquid biopsy clinical performance study

Cohort Characteristics

Characteristics	No. (%)
Patients	159 (100)
Age, y	
Median (Range)	67.5 (38 - 89)
Sex	
Male	77 (48.4)
Female	82 (51.6)
Histology	
Adenocarcinoma	158 (99.4)
Squamous cell carcinoma	1 (0.6)
Matched tissue biopsy	
Primary tumor	145 (91.2)
Metastasis	14 (8.8)
Metastatic status at blood draw	
Confirmed metastatic	136 (85.5)
Confirmed non-metastatic	17 (10.7)
Unknown metastatic status	6 (3.8)
Smoking status	
Never smoker	31 (19.5)
Smoker	31 (19.5)
Ex-smoker	29 (18.2)
Passive smoker	3 (1.9)
Unknown	65 (40.9)

Liquid biopsy clinical performance study

Benchmarking

High concordance of plasma and tissue-based molecular analysis using three different commercial assays.

Study	Total	Discordant	Tissue ⁺ AND Plasma ⁺ (TP)	Tissue ⁻ AND Plasma ⁻ (TN)	Concordance %
<i>Aggarwal et al.</i>	128	24	31	73	81%
<i>Li et al.</i>	110	23	68	19	79%
<i>Alborelli et al.</i>	94	11	40	43	88%

Study	TP	TN	FP	FN	Sensitivity	Specificity	PPV	NPV	Cohen Kappa
<i>Aggarwal et al.</i>	31	73	8	16	66%	90%	79%	82%	0.58
<i>Li et al.</i>	68	19	0	23	75%	100%	100%	45%	0.51
<i>Alborelli et al.</i>	40	43	2	9	82%	96%	95%	83%	0.77

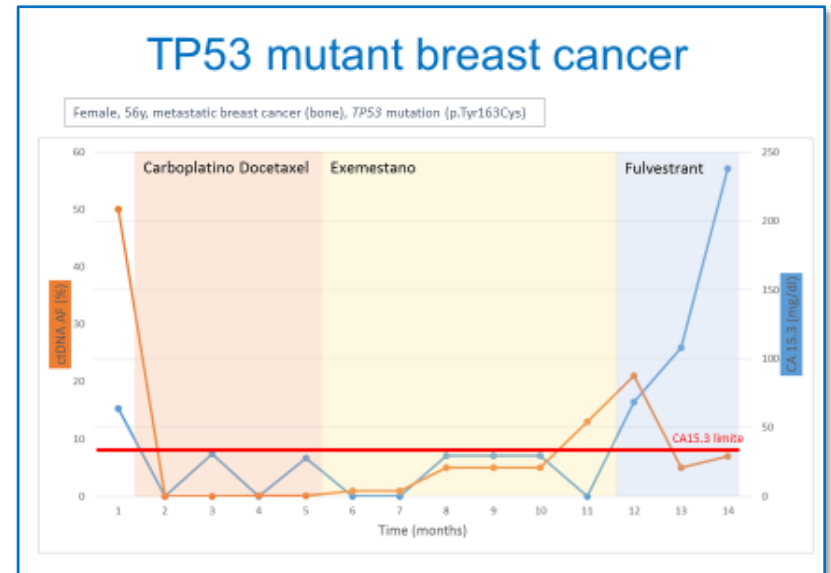
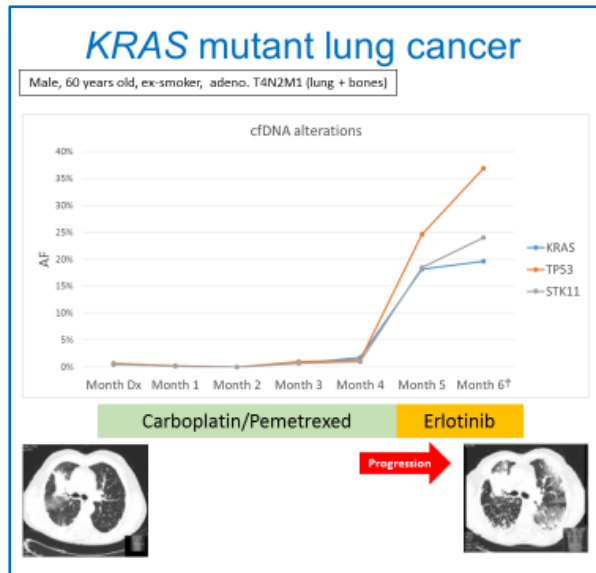
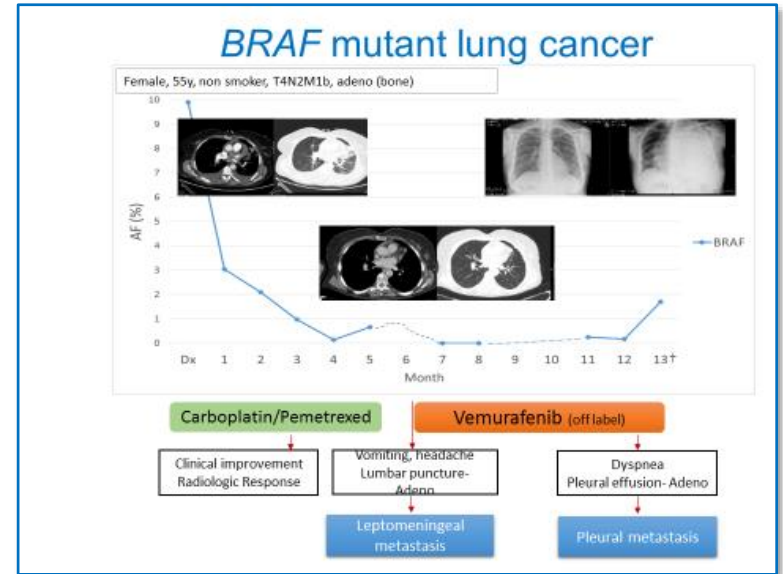
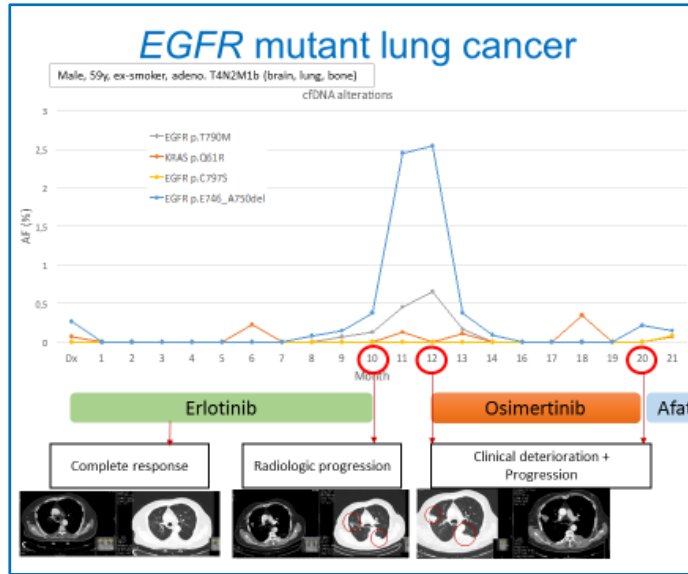
Study	Genes (n)	Depth of Sequencing	cfDNA input	In-house test
<i>Aggarwal et al.</i>	73	10'000X	5-30 ng	no
<i>Li et al.</i>	37	50'000X	Up to 100 ng	not yet
<i>Alborelli et al.</i>	11	25'000X	1-50 ng	yes

Our results highlight the feasibility of using an **in-house** plasma-NGS assay for routine molecular characterization.

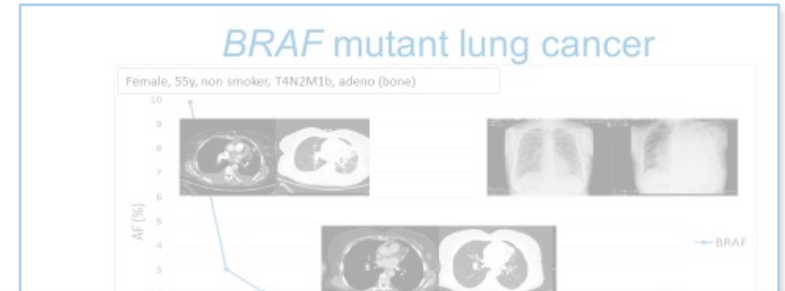
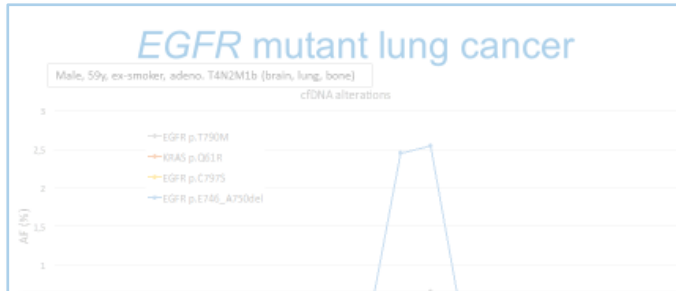
Alborelli et al. 2019

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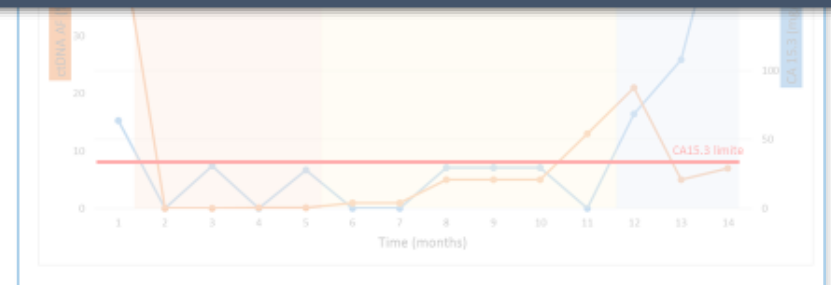
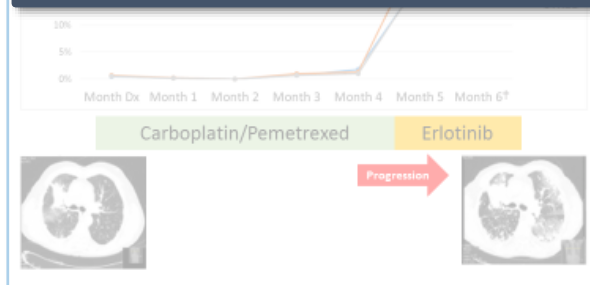
Liquid biopsy clinical performance study



Liquid biopsy clinical performance study



- Informative in different tumor models
- Informative for different future therapeutic strategies
- Allows real-time study of the disease
- Allows study of future clinical relapse anticipation
- Identification of resistance mechanism





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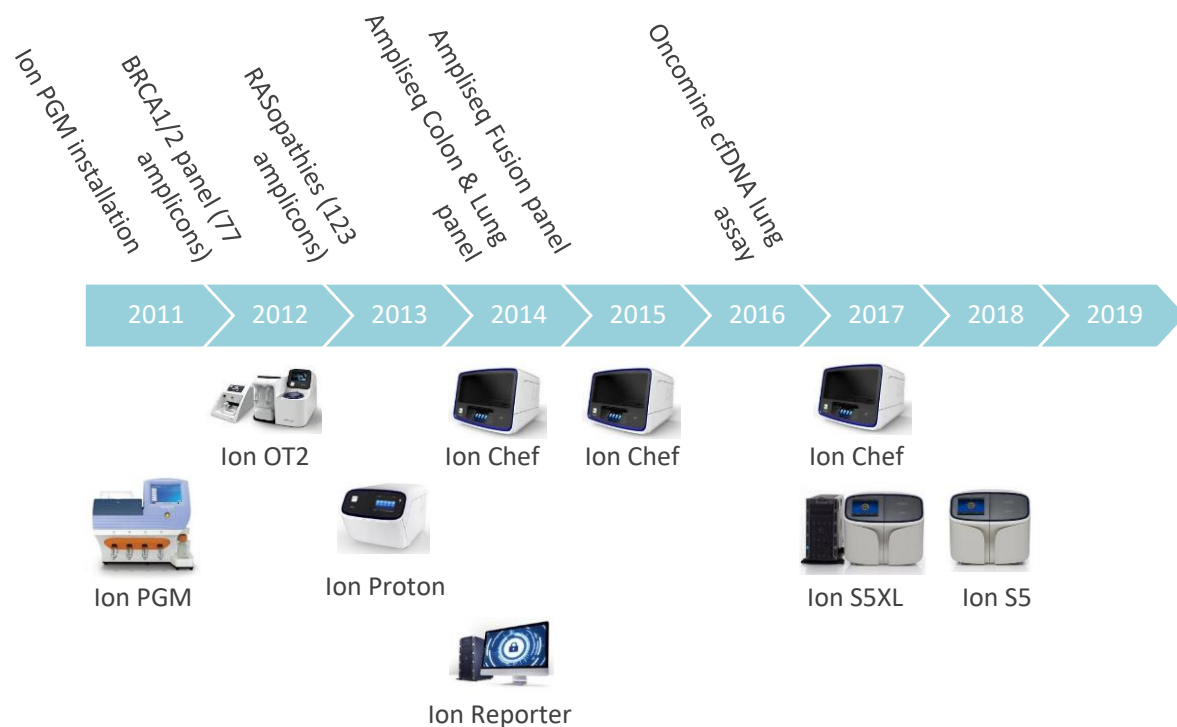
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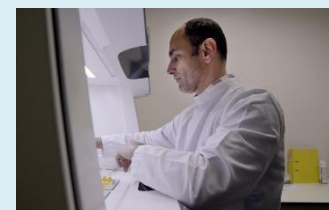
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NGS clinical research timeline....



Genexus System



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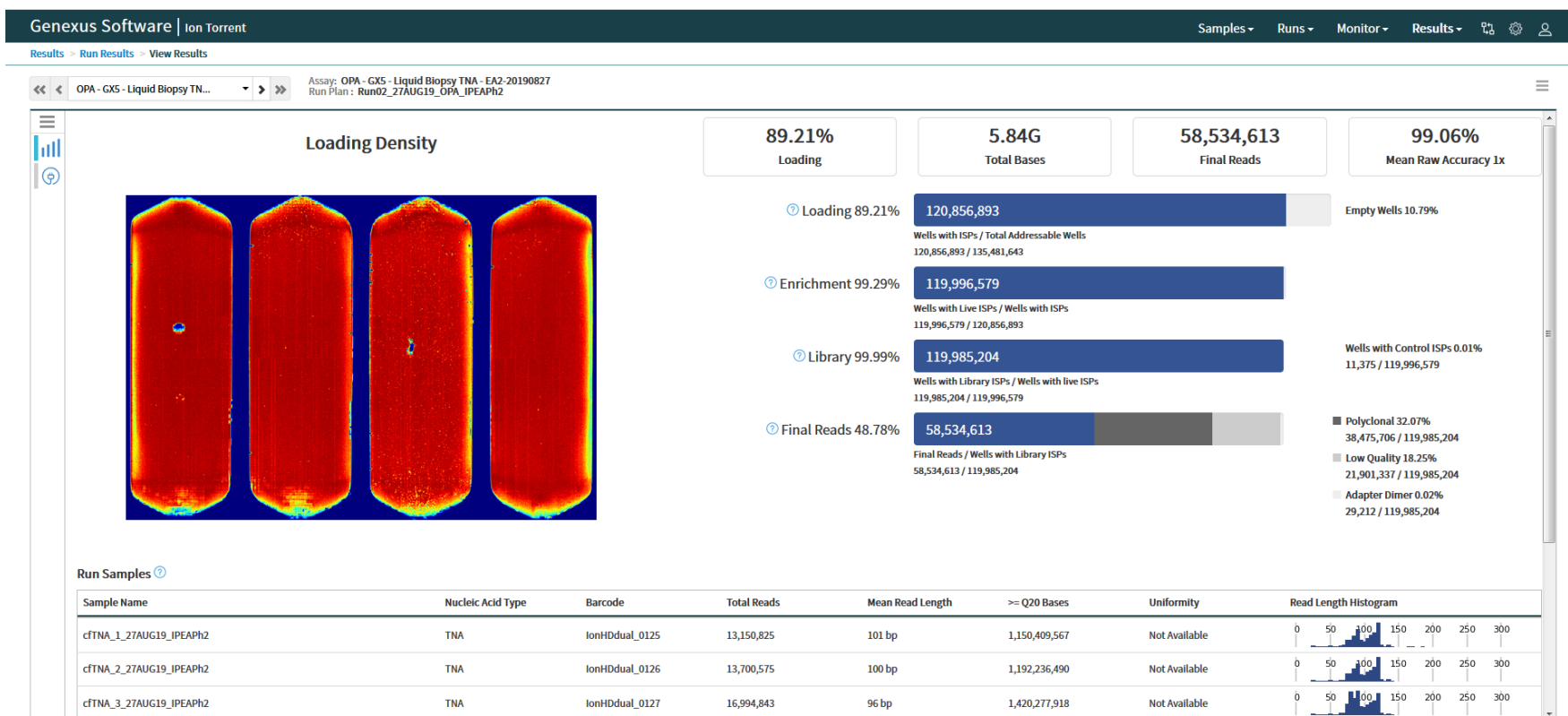
Commercial control samples

- Horizon and SeraCare FFPE and cfDNA reference material

Clinical research samples

- Lung cancer tissue and liquid biopsy research samples
- Previously characterize on an Ion S5XL system

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Genexus Software | Ion Torrent

Samples ▾Runs ▾Monitor ▾Results ▾

ResultsRun ResultsView Results

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Sample Details

Sample Name:

cftNA_1_27AUG19_IPEAPH2

Gender:

Unknown

Disease Category:

Cancer

Cancer Stage:

Unknown

Collection Date:

23 AUG 2019

Sample Type:

cftNA

Cancer Type:

Unknown Primary Origin

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Variant Summary

A default filter has been applied. Go to [SNVs/Indels](#), [Fusions](#), [CNVs](#) pages to remove or modify variant filter.

Filter Chain Applied: Variant Matrix tab Summary

SNVs/Indels

6 Detected

Gene	AA Change	Mol Freq %	Oncomine Variant Class
ERBB3	p.E332K	3.7131	Hotspot
KRAS	p.A59T	0.1335	Hotspot
KRAS	p.G12A	2.6452	Hotspot
MET	p.?	0.263	Hotspot
TP53	p.R248L	1.4074	Hotspot
TP53	p.S241C	0.1141	Hotspot

Fusions

5 Detected

Oncomine Driver Gene	Evidence Level
MET	Targeted Isoforms
ALK	Targeted Isoforms
BRAF	Targeted Isoforms
RET	Targeted Isoforms
ROS1	Targeted Isoforms

CNVs

2 Detected

Gene	Gain/Loss	Oncomine Variant Class
EGFR	↑	Amplification
AR	↓	

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Tissue biopsies – RNA and DNA

Lung cancer FFPE sample were sequenced using Colon and Lung or Lung Fusion panel on Ion S5XL system and using Oncomine Precision Assay on Genexus instruments

Variants covered by both panels were detected in both systems at similar allelic frequencies

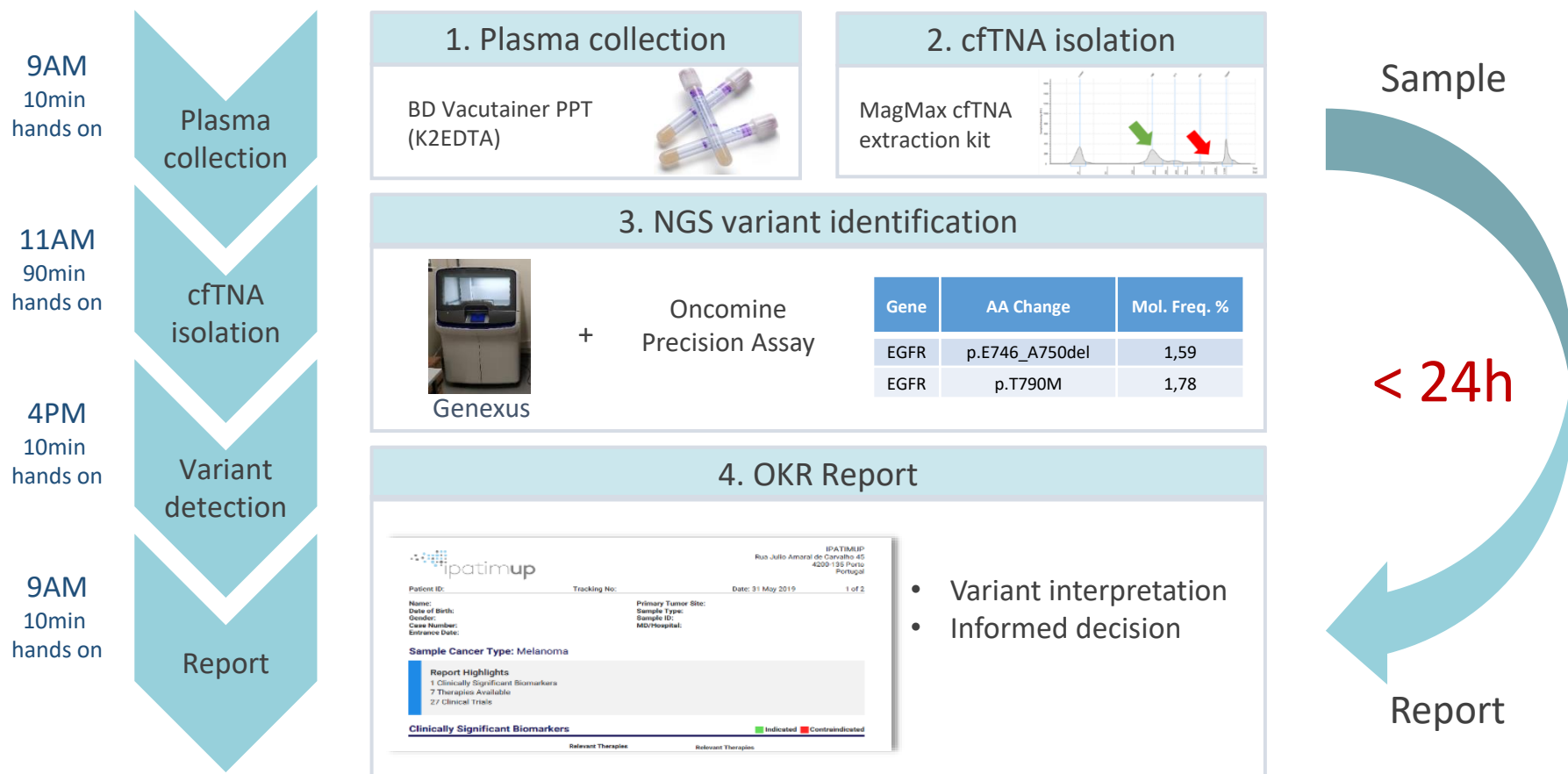
Additional variants were detected using the Oncomine Precision Assay

Sample 1 presented additional p.T790M mutation that had not been previously identified (intra-sample heterogeneity?)



FFPE	Gene	AA Change	Genexus	Ion S5XL
Sample 1	EGFR	p.L858R	43,8	31,3
	TP53	p.R248Q	1,8	nd
	EGFR	p.T790M	1,6	nd
	ALK	p.A1200V	1,5	nd
Sample 2	EGFR	p.L747_P753delinsS	28,6	20,1
	TP53	p.C176R	3,9	nd
	RET	p.G810S	1,6	nd
	EGFR	p.P848L	1,6	nd
	FGFR3	p.R399C	0,3	nd
Sample 3	ALK	fusion	detected	detected
Sample 4	BRAF	p.V600E	47,8	36,3
	TP53	p.R175C	13,8	nd
	FGFR2	p.A648T	6,9	nd
	EGFR	p.R836C	6,2	nd
	ERBB3	p.V104M	4,4	nd
	PDGFRA	p.T849C	4,2	nd
	PIK3CA	p.V344M	3,7	nd
	MAP2K1	p.K57N	2,8	nd
	GNAQ	p.R183Q	2,1	nd
Sample 5	EGFR	p.V769M	1,8	nd
	KRAS	p.G12D	58,3	44,7
	TP53	p.C176Y	31,4	nd
	FGFR3	p.R399C	3,6	nd
	CDKN2A	p.R58Q	3,1	nd
	RET	p.R912Q	2,5	nd
	BRAF	p.D594N	2,3	nd

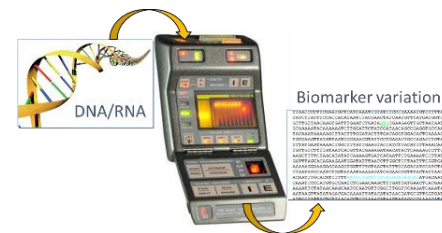
Liquid biopsies – Lung cancer plasma sample at recurrence



Summary

- ALL-IN-ONE solution from nucleic acids to variants;
 - ACCESSIBLE: no *a priori* NGS expertize needed;
 - SIMPLE: all I needed was a pipette to add my samples to be sequenced;
 - ROBUST: vision-system checks all your steps;
 - FAST: allowed a turn around time of 24h from plasma to report.
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- This system allows a wider implementation of NGS for genomic profiling, potentially bringing precision medicine closer to clinical practice.

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