

## Clinical Next-Gen Sequencing for Solid Tumors: What, How, Why and When?

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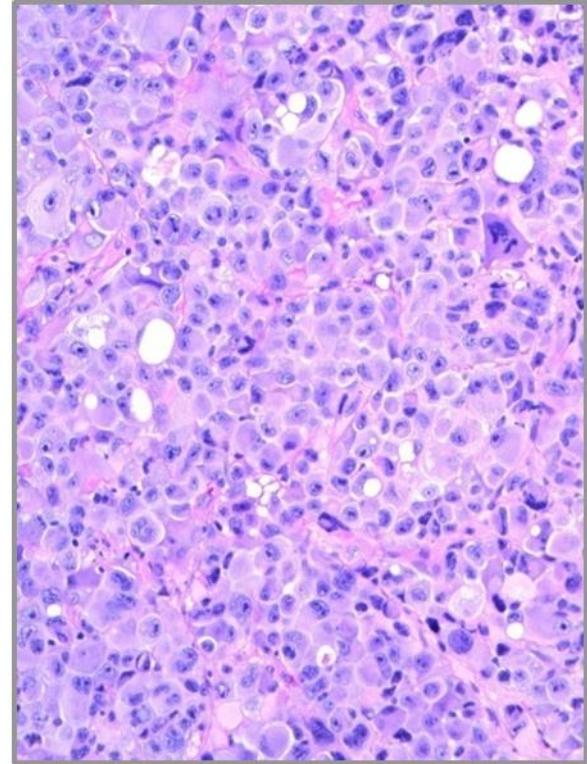
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## Test Development & Validation



# *Individualized Cancer Medicine*

- 42 year old male with ‘glioblastoma’ treated with surgery, temozolomide and radiation
- Bone and lymph node mets appeared at 20 months (what is this tumor?)
- Admitted to OHSU to manage pain, monitor pending cord compression
- Another round of chemo failed
- *BRAF V600E* mutation identified
- Patient started on dabrafenib
- Excellent clinical response

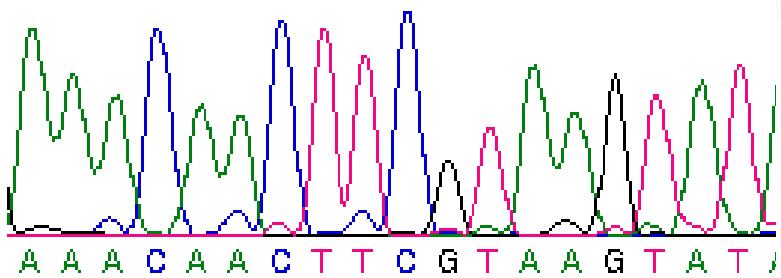


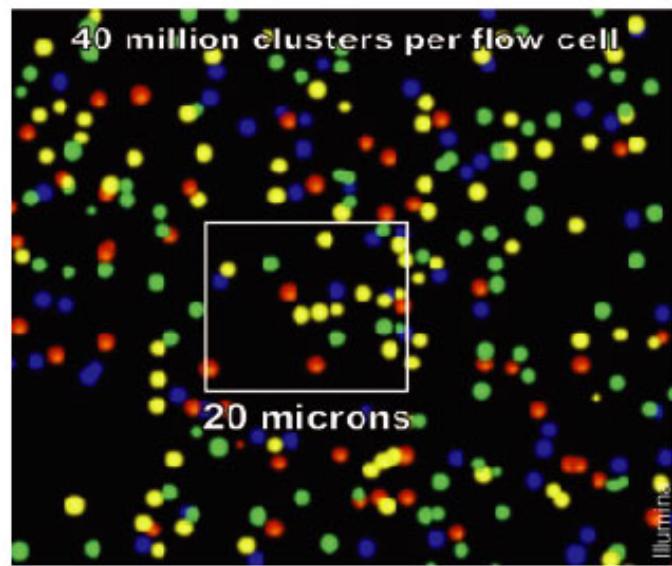
# Topics

- Brief intro to next-gen sequencing
- Squeezing NGS data from tiny samples
- NSCLC as a model for routine molecular subtyping
  - Mutations
  - Copy number changes
  - Fusion gene detection
- Interpretation of sequence alterations

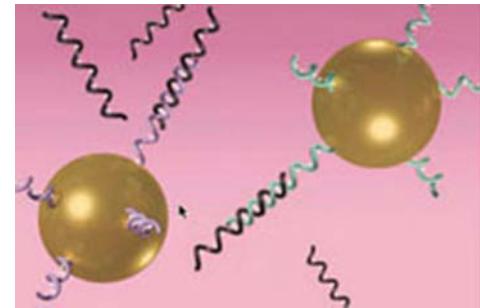
# Next-Generation DNA Sequencing

- Massively parallel sequencing (many sequencing reactions performed simultaneously)

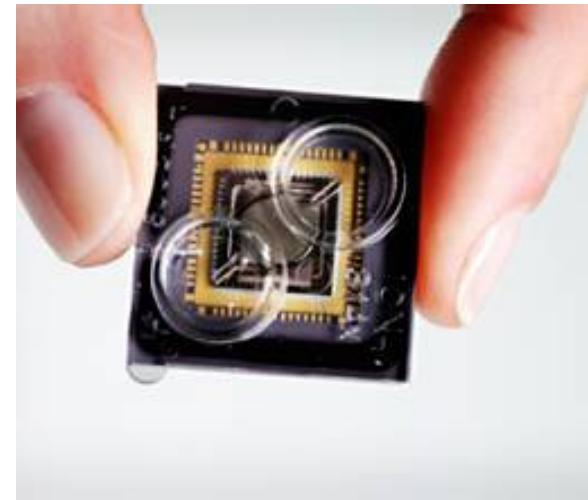




- ATP
- CTP
- GTP
- TTP

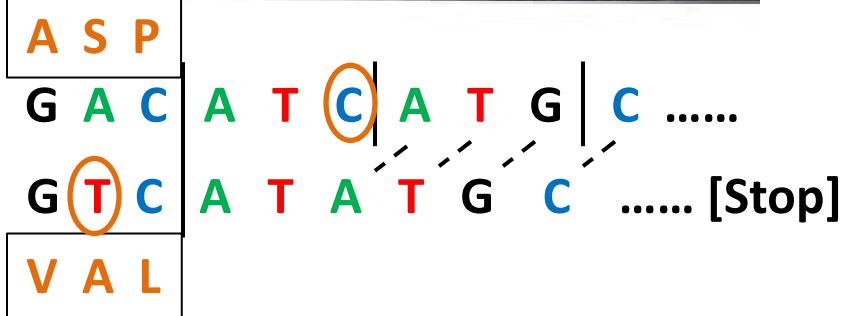
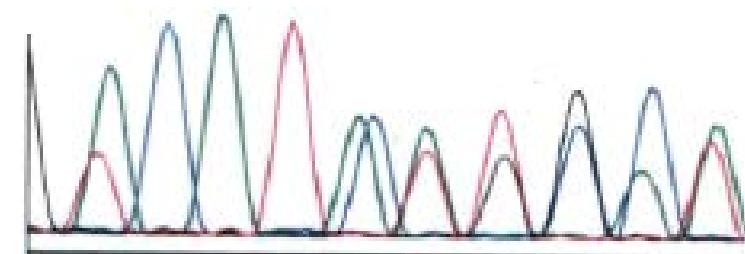


*Illumina NextSeq 500*



*Ion Torrent PGM*

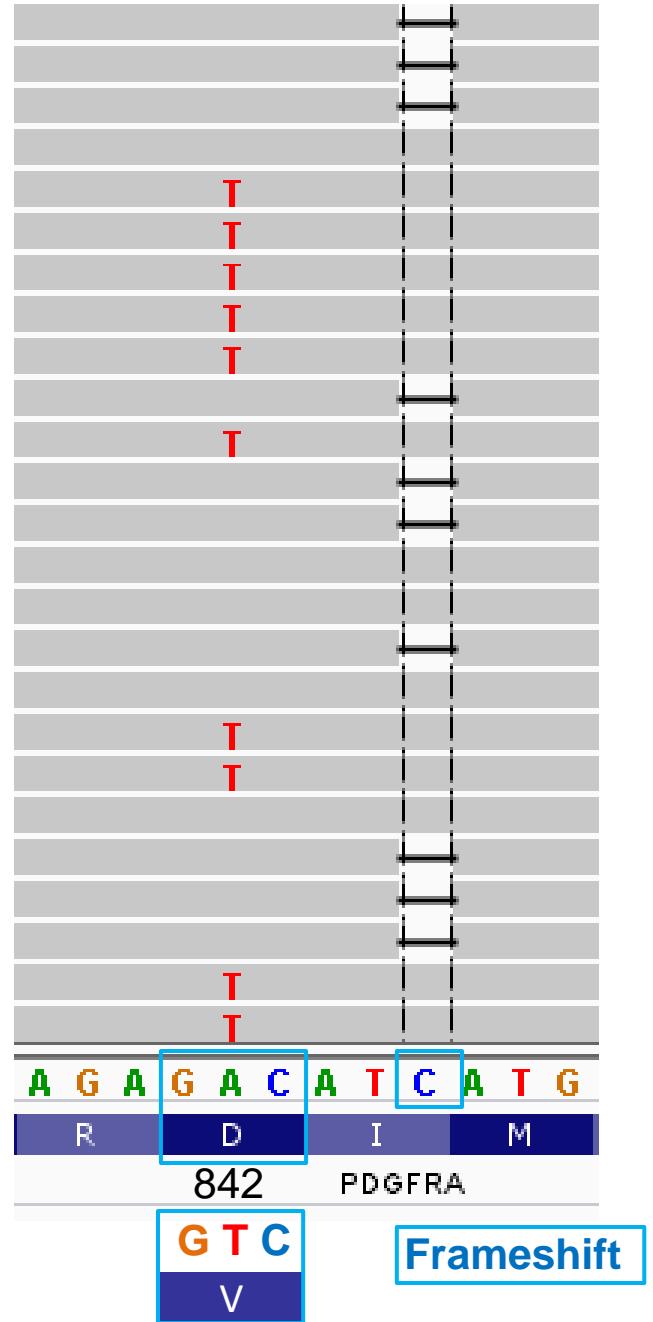
# Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor (GIST)



PDGFRA D842V and M844fs\*16

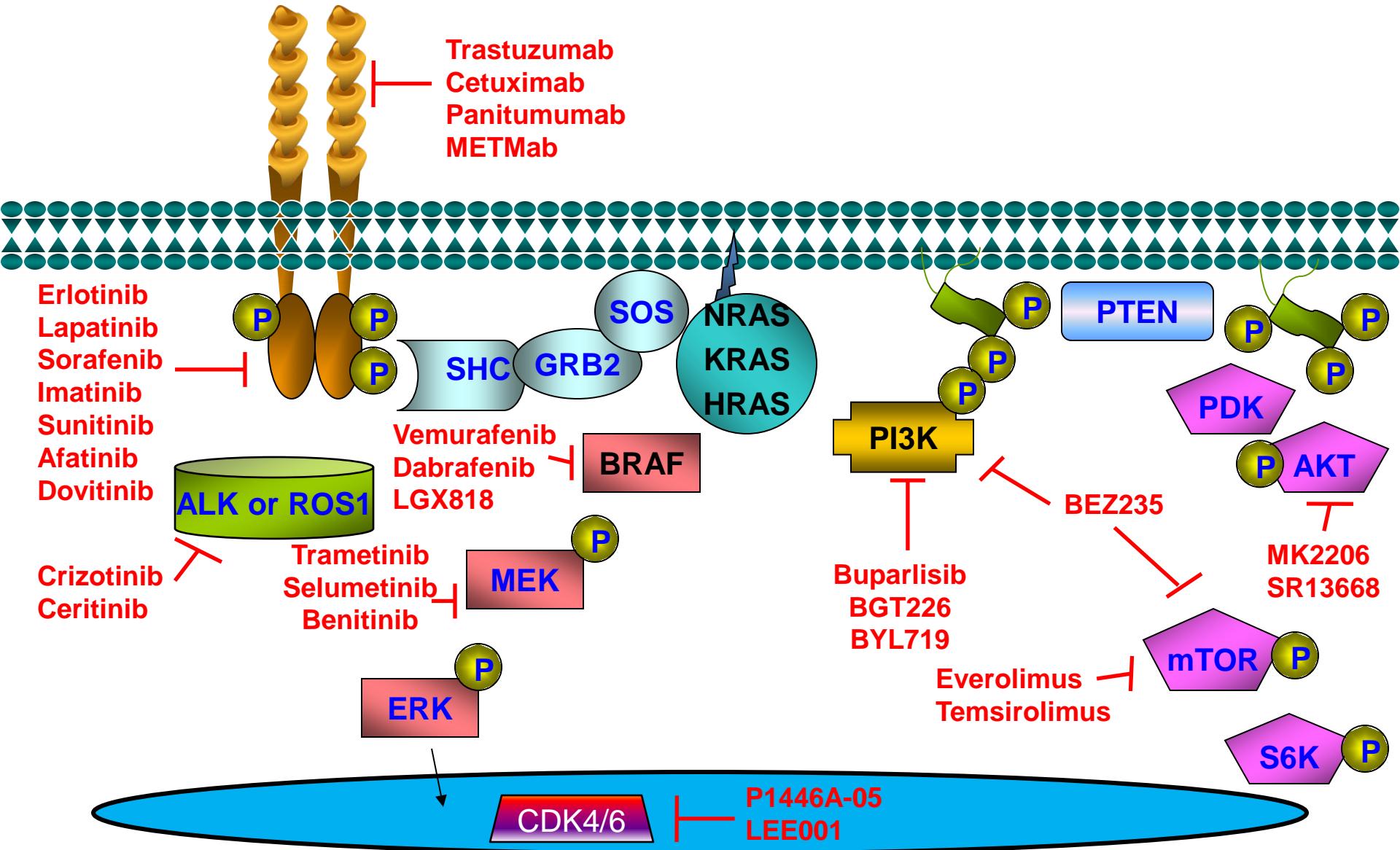


Known GIST driver mutation Truncates kinase domain



# >500 Targeted Therapeutics in Development

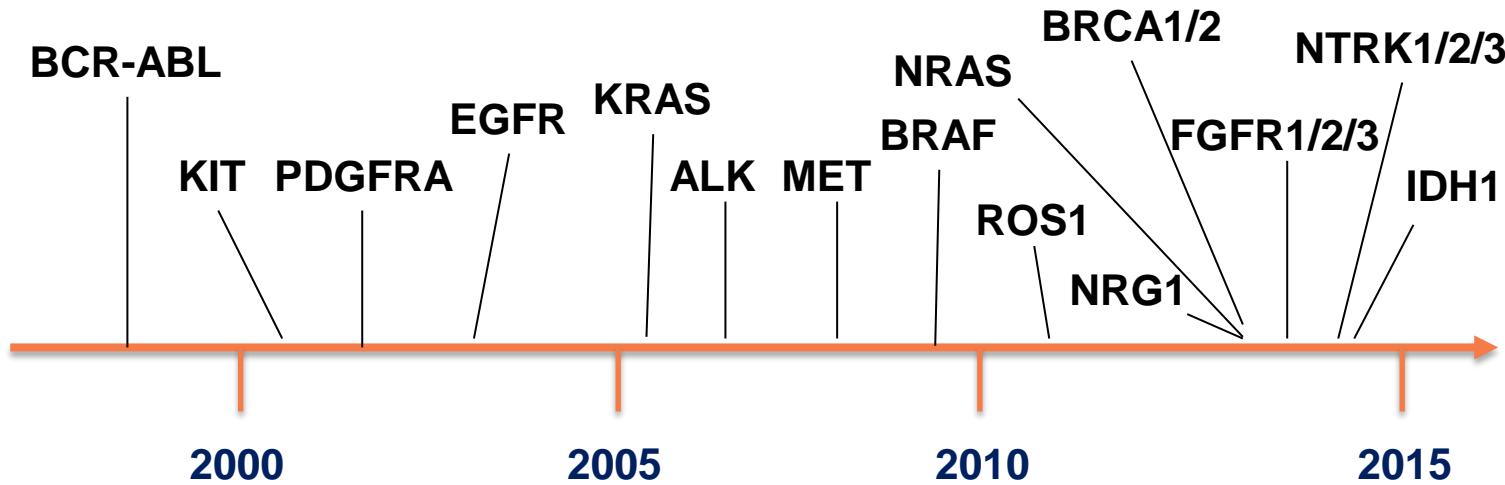
## Receptor tyrosine kinases



# Clinically Informative Genes For Solid Tumors

Molecular targets for which:

- FDA-approved therapies are (or likely will be) available
- Molecular testing is required for treatment



Other genes of interest:

- ERBB2, MAP2K1, PIK3CA, AKT1, mTOR, Rictor, TSC1/2

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## GeneTrails™ Next-Gen Tests for Cancer

Panel	# Genes	Availability
General solid tumor panel	37	Available
Gene fusion panel for solid tumors	20	Available
Colorectal cancer panel	3*	Available
GI stromal tumor panel	23	Available
AML / MDS panel	42	Available
AML / Lymphoma panel	76	Available
New solid tumor panel	130	April, 2016
Leukemia fusion gene panel	??	Q2 2016

# Preparing a Sequencing Library

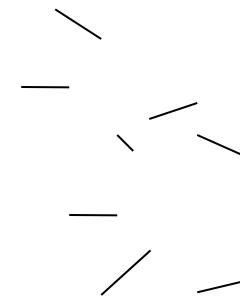
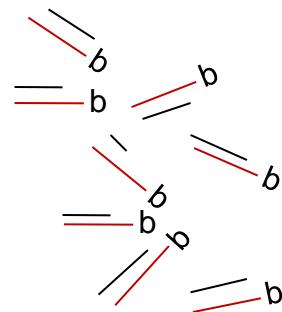
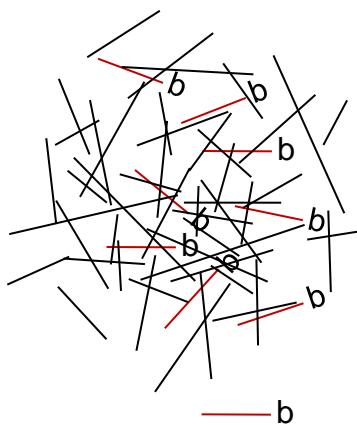
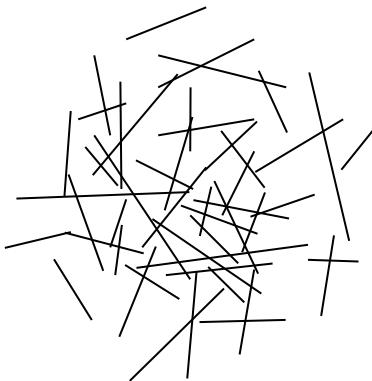
## - Hybridization-Capture Approach -

~50-500 ng  
Genomic DNA

Hybridize to biotinylated  
probes for desired  
genes/exons

Purify hybridized  
RNA probes with  
magnetic beads

Treat with Rnase  
and add adapters

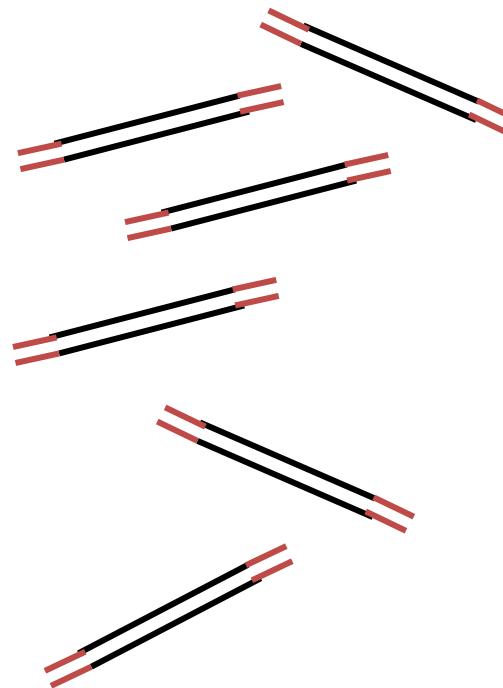
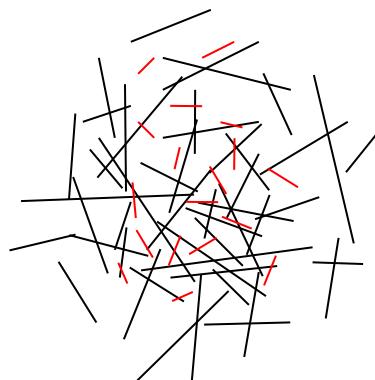
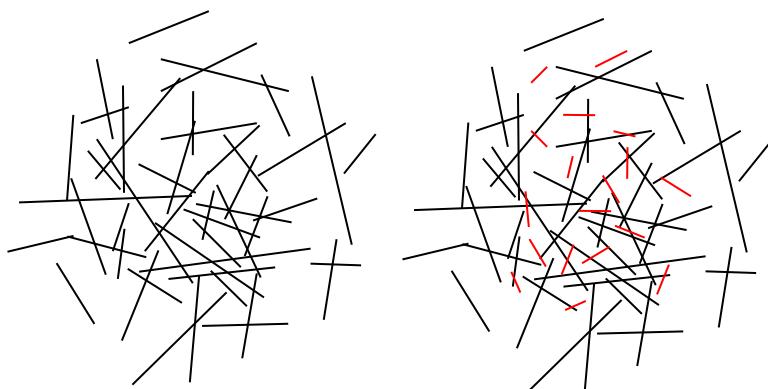


Sequence

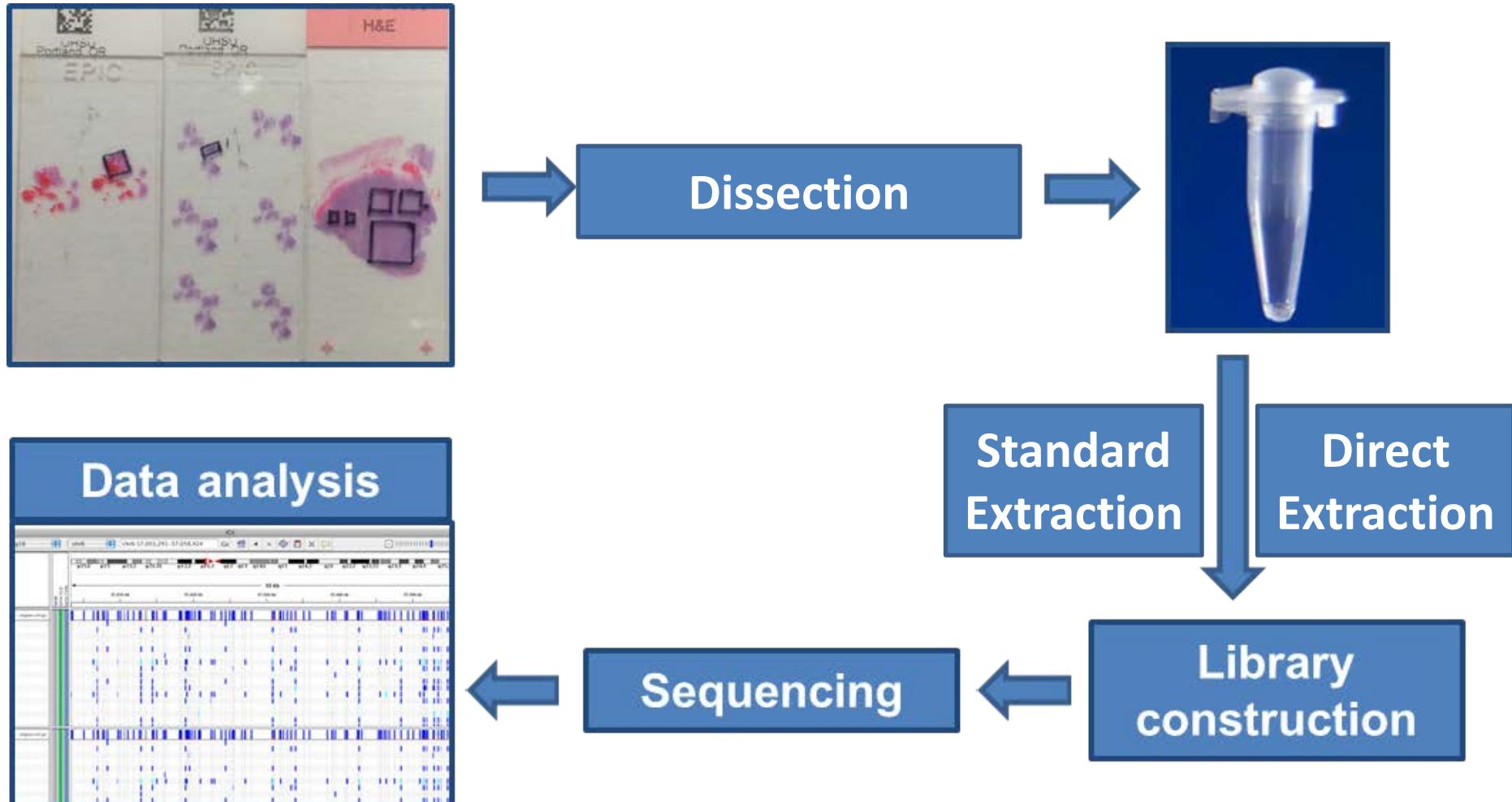
# Preparing a Sequencing Library

## - Amplicon-Based Approach -

10-20 ng Genomic DNA      Add PCR primers to genes/exons of interest      Amplify by PCR Add adapters and barcodes



# NGS Workflow



# Standard Extraction

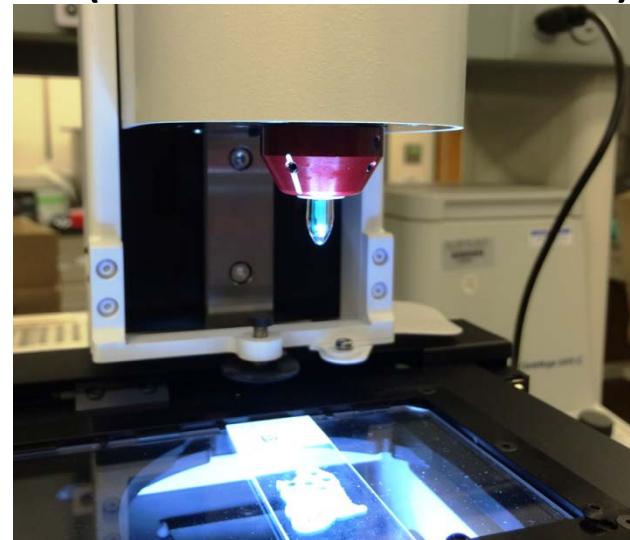
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- Deparaffinize in mineral oil
- Remove H<sub>2</sub>O phase
- Add proteinase K
- Heat to 56°C overnight
- Centrifuge briefly
- Purify nucleic acid using mini-column (requires washing and elution steps)
- Measure concentration of purified material



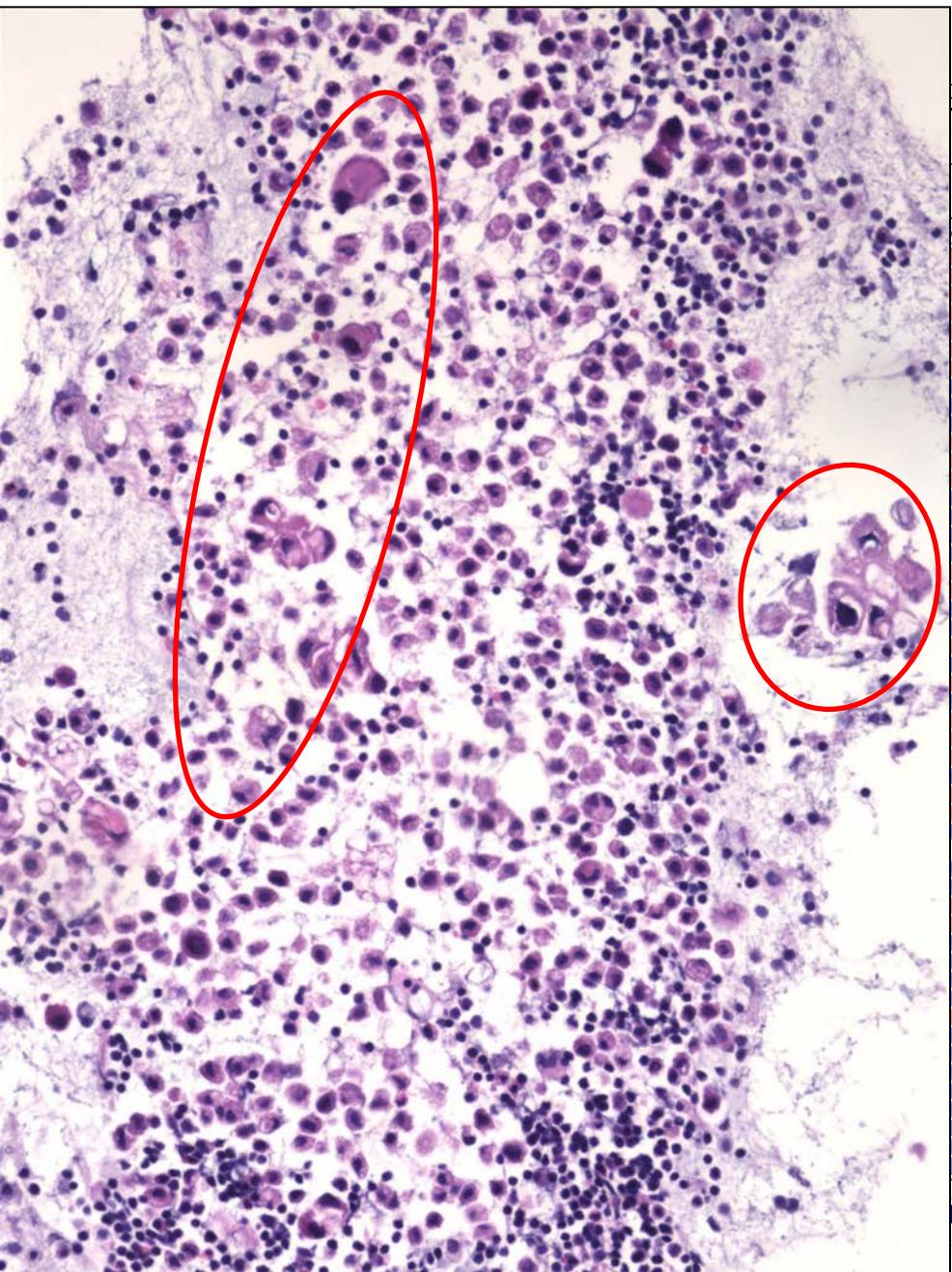
# Validating Direct Extraction Method

- Multiple tumor types:
  - SQCC, lung adca, colon adca, melanoma, GIST, astrocytoma, low grade B-cell lymphoma
- Varying areas of dissection (5 micron sections):
  - 64 mm<sup>2</sup>
  - 32 mm<sup>2</sup>
  - 25 mm<sup>2</sup>
  - 16 mm<sup>2</sup>
  - 4 mm<sup>2</sup>
  - 2 mm<sup>2</sup>

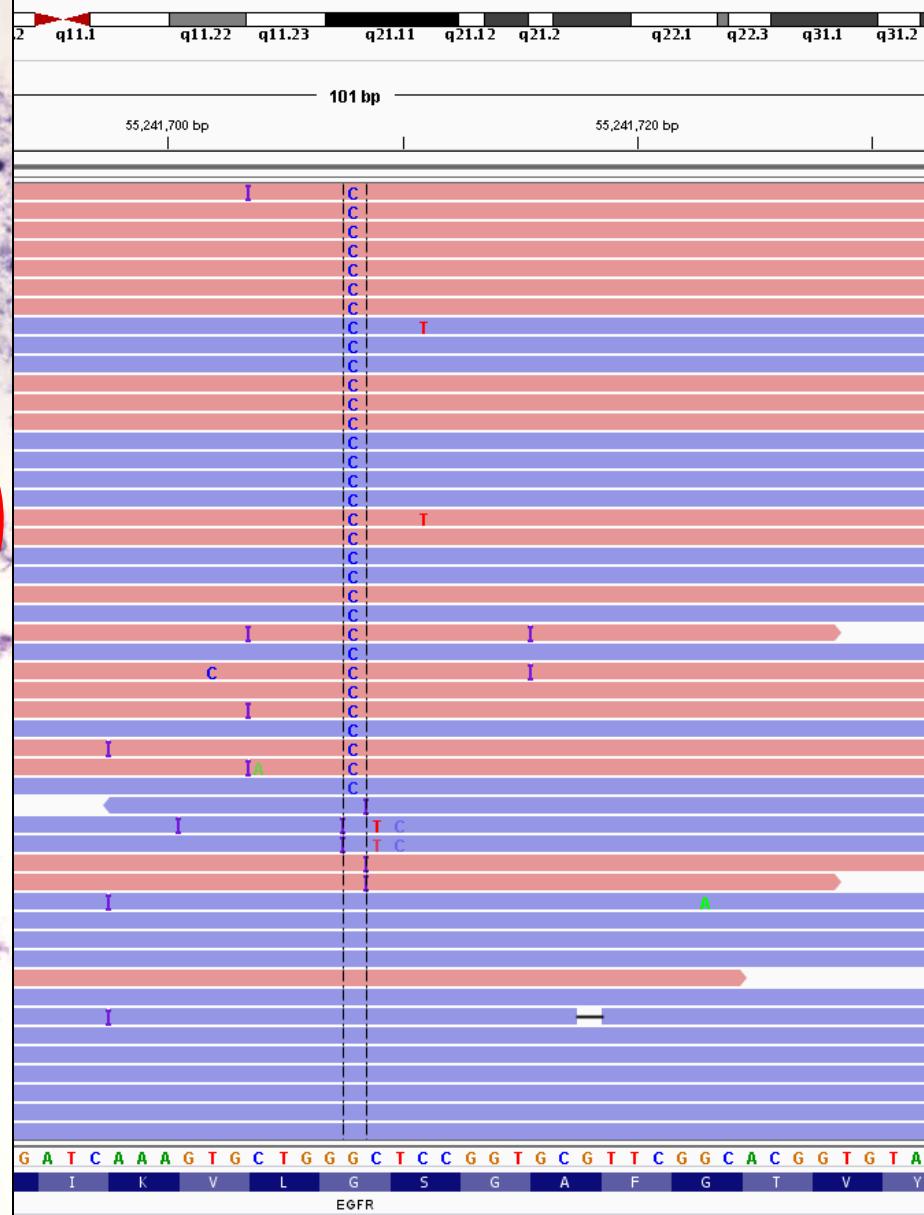


- Samples sequenced by NGS on Ion Torrent system
- Results 100% concordant with original sequence data

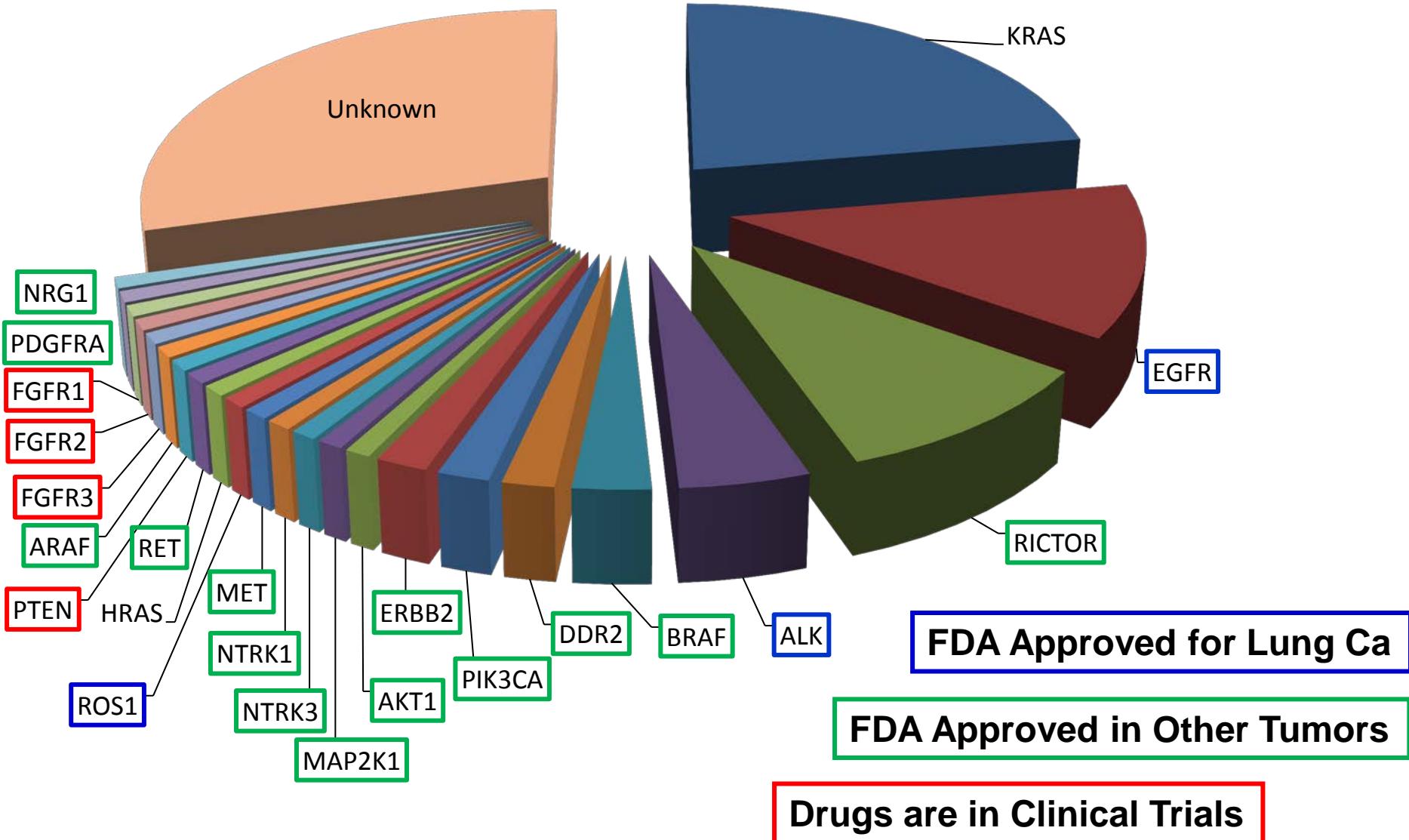
## Pleural Fluid – 58 year old F



# EGFR p.G719A



# Molecular Subtypes of Lung Cancer 2016



# NSCLC Case Example

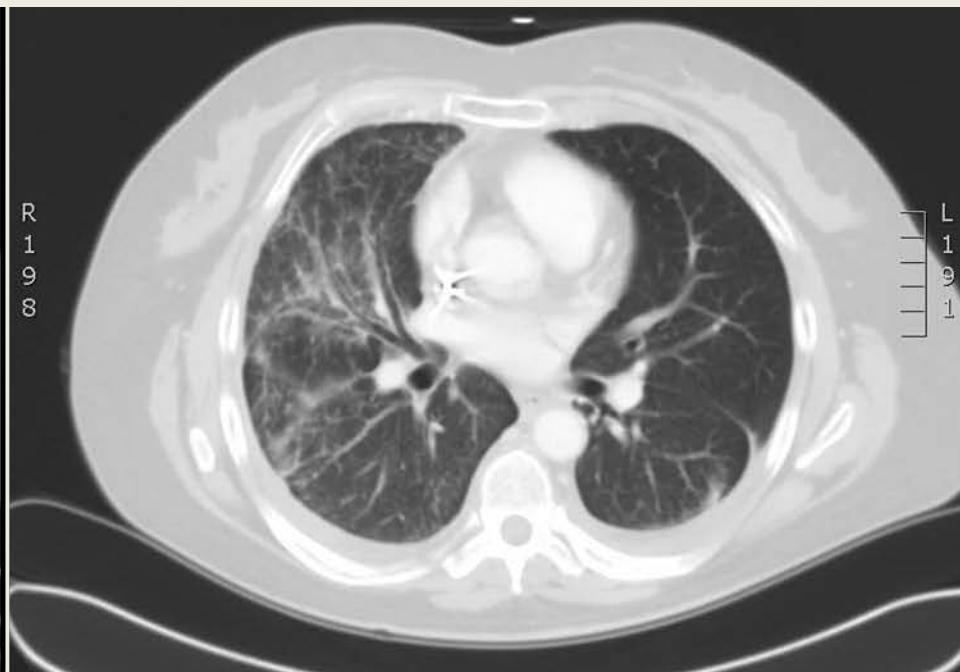
- 47 y/o woman with bronchioalveolar carcinoma dx'd in Aug 2010
- Genotyping in July 2012:
  - **BRAF<sup>V600E</sup> mutation + MET amplif**
- Phase I study combining BRAF + MEK inhibitors: 6 month response



Baseline



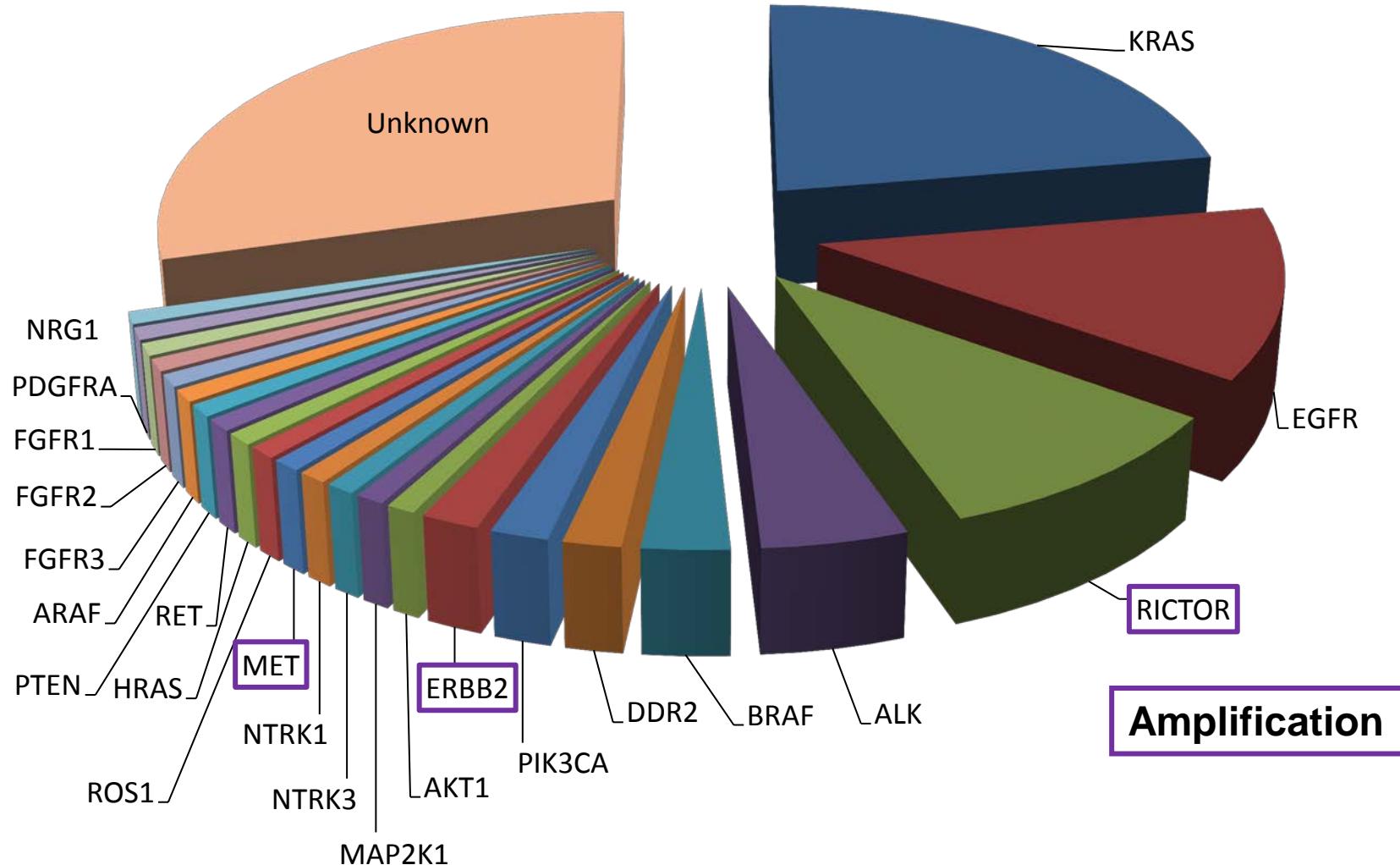
2 months



# BAC With BRAF<sup>V600E</sup> + MET amplification

- 2010 • EGFR inhibitor (erlotinib) failed
- 2011 • Chemotherapy (pemetrexed) worked for >1 year
- 2012 • Targeting BRAF<sup>V600E</sup> worked (really well!), but for only  
(OHSU) 6 months
- 2013 • Phase 1 CTO trial didn't work (not truly targeted)
  - Phase 1 AURKA + docetaxol had modest effect (not truly targeted)
  - MET inhibitor (crizotinib) didn't work
- 2014 • Re-targeting BRAF worked for ~3 months

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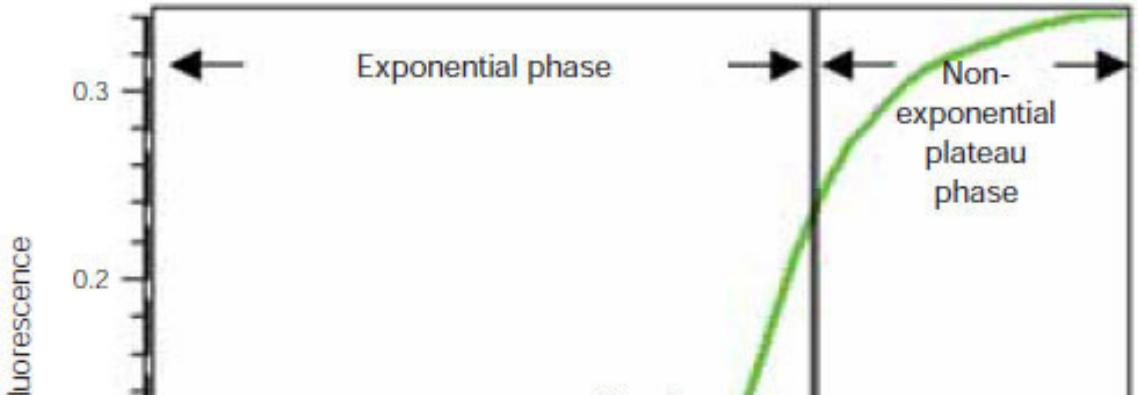


# Assessing Copy Number Alterations in Targeted, Amplicon-Based Next-Generation Sequencing Data

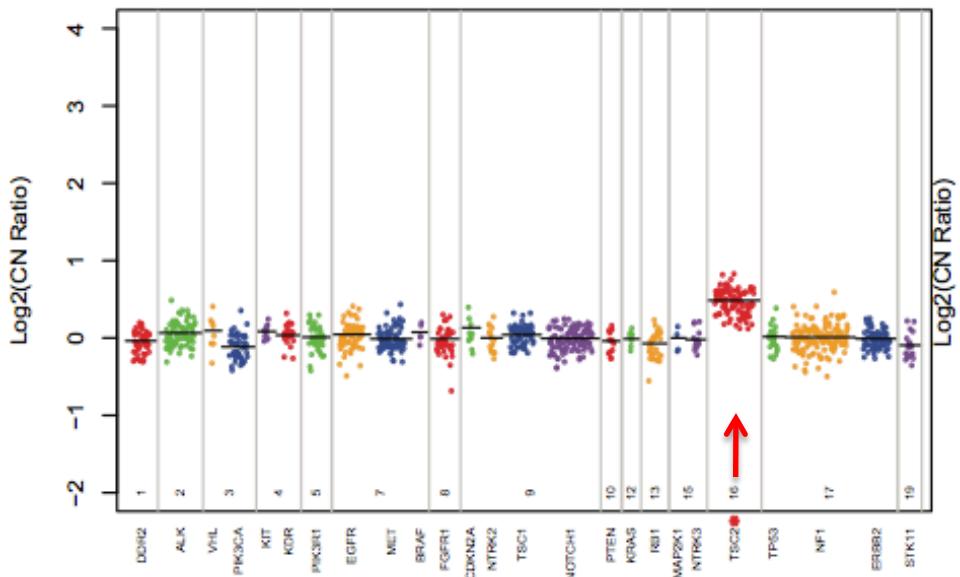


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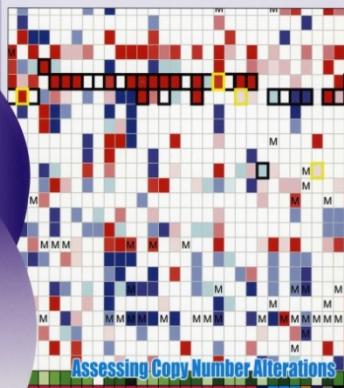
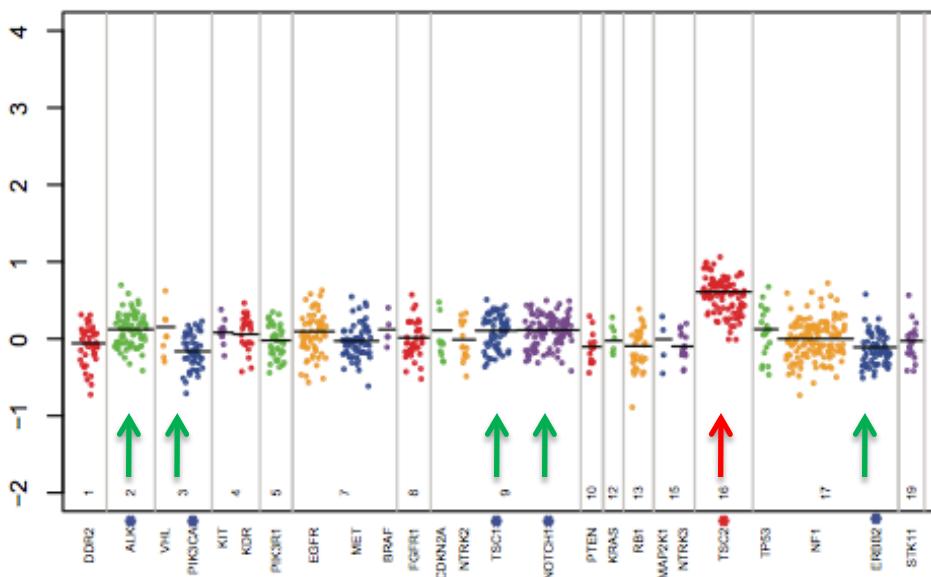
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Tumor vs Data Pooled From  
13 Non-matched Normals



Tumor vs Matched Normal



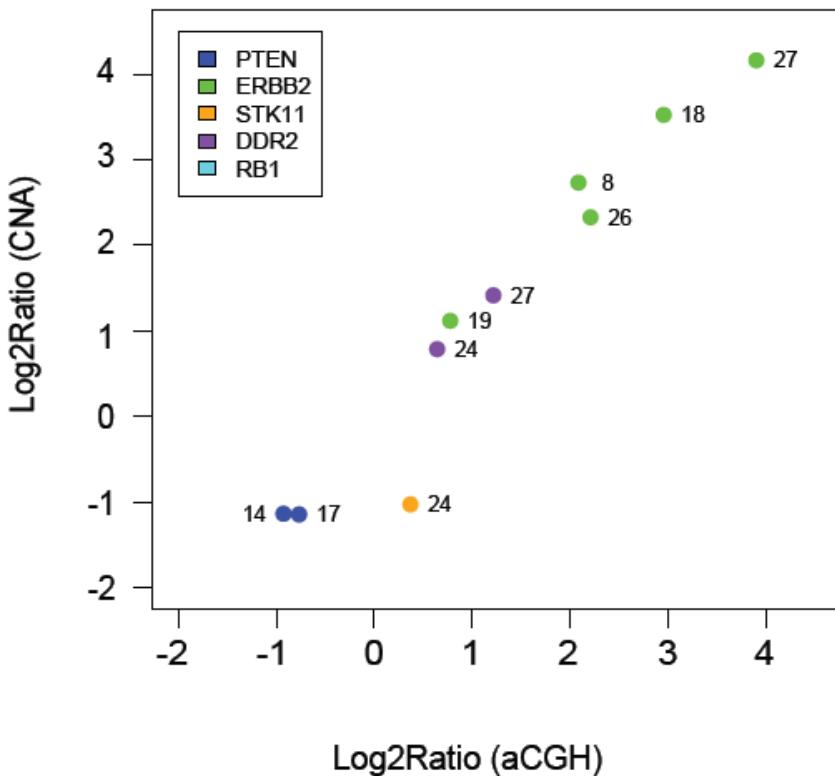
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# Validating a Copy Number Algorithm

- Correlation with whole exome
- Correlation with FISH (87% agreement)
- Correlation with array CGH

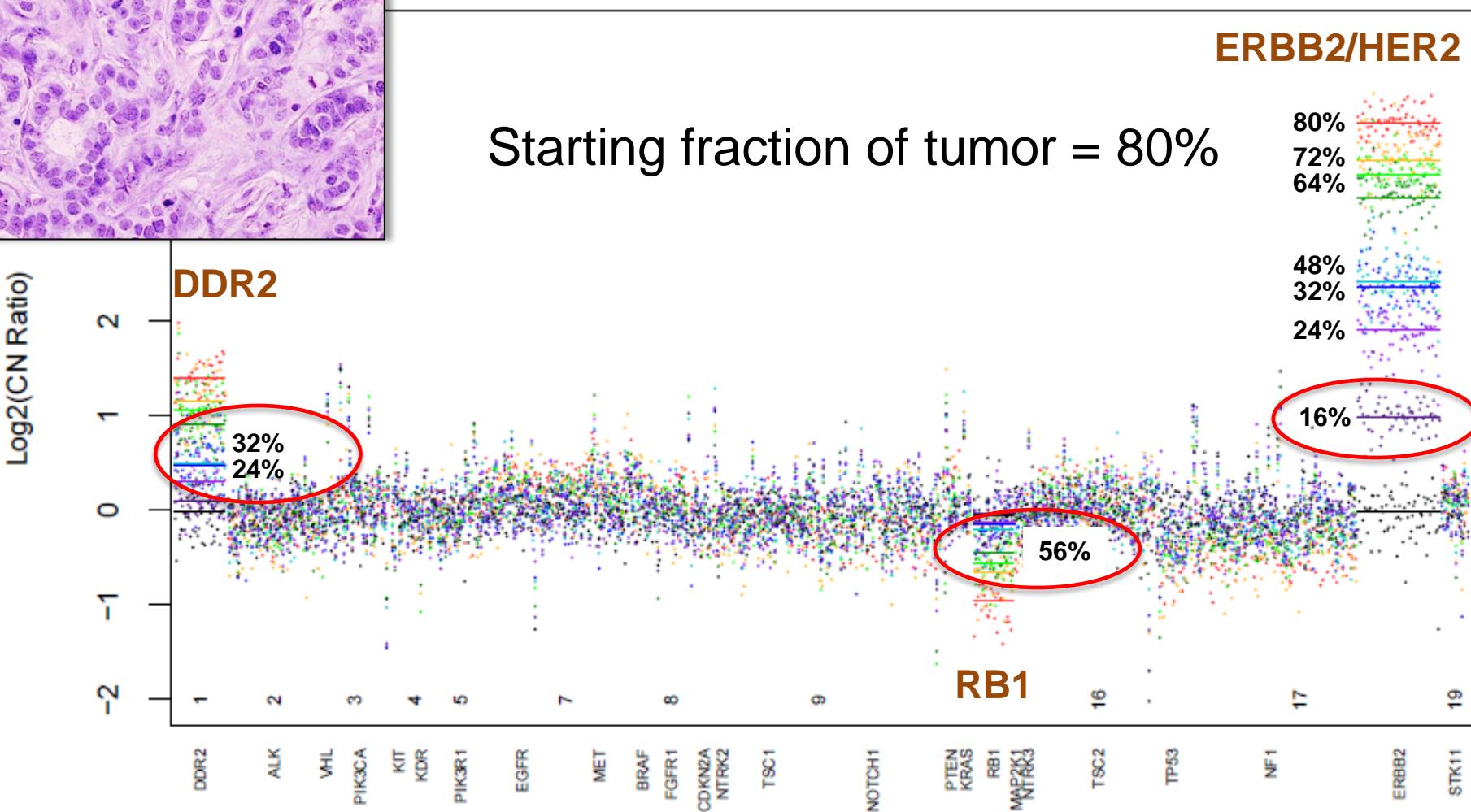
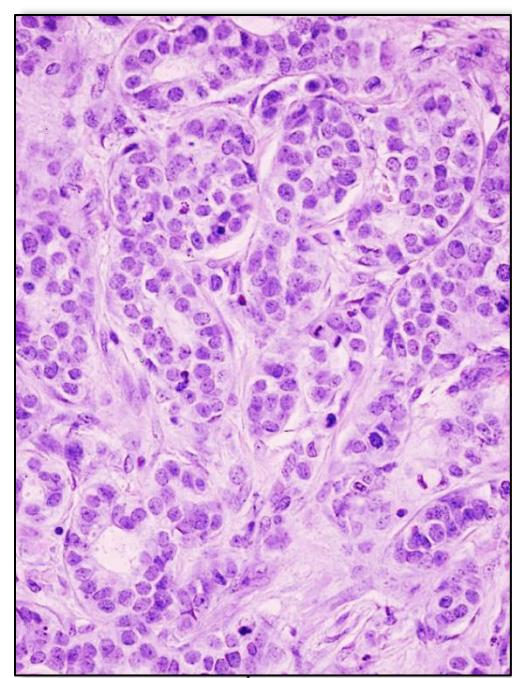
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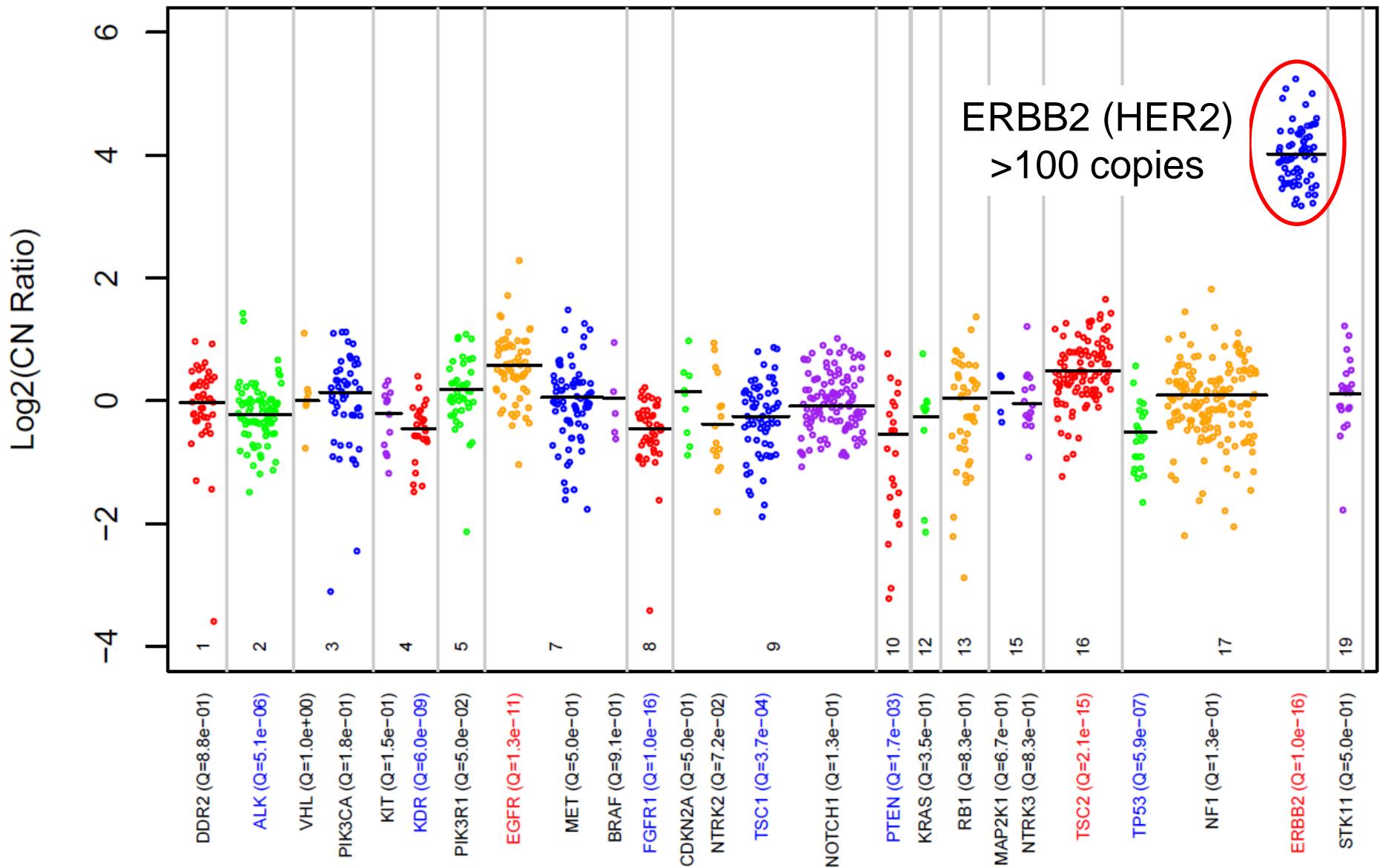


# Sensitivity for Copy Number Alterations

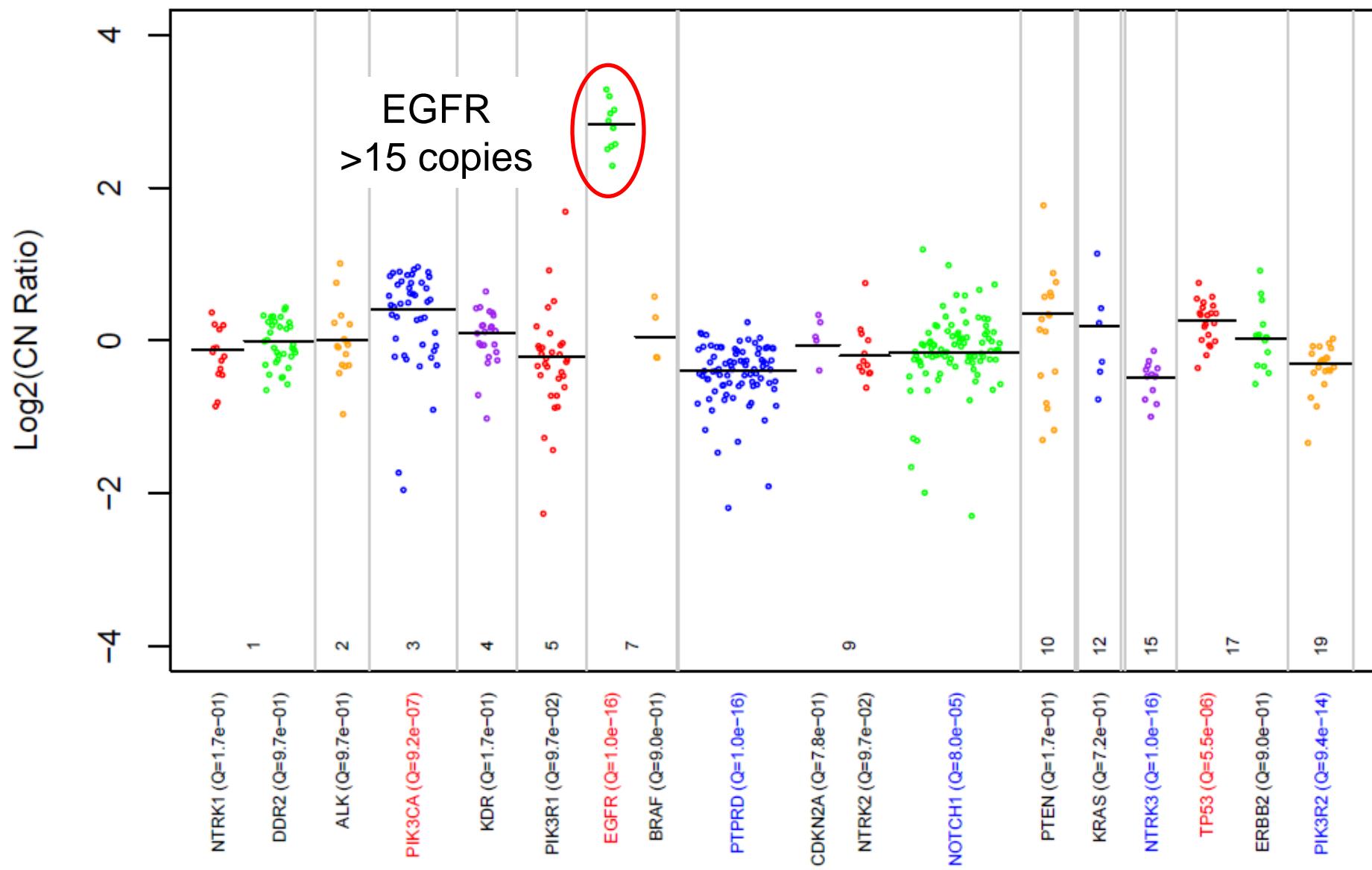
## Dilution with Matched Normal DNA



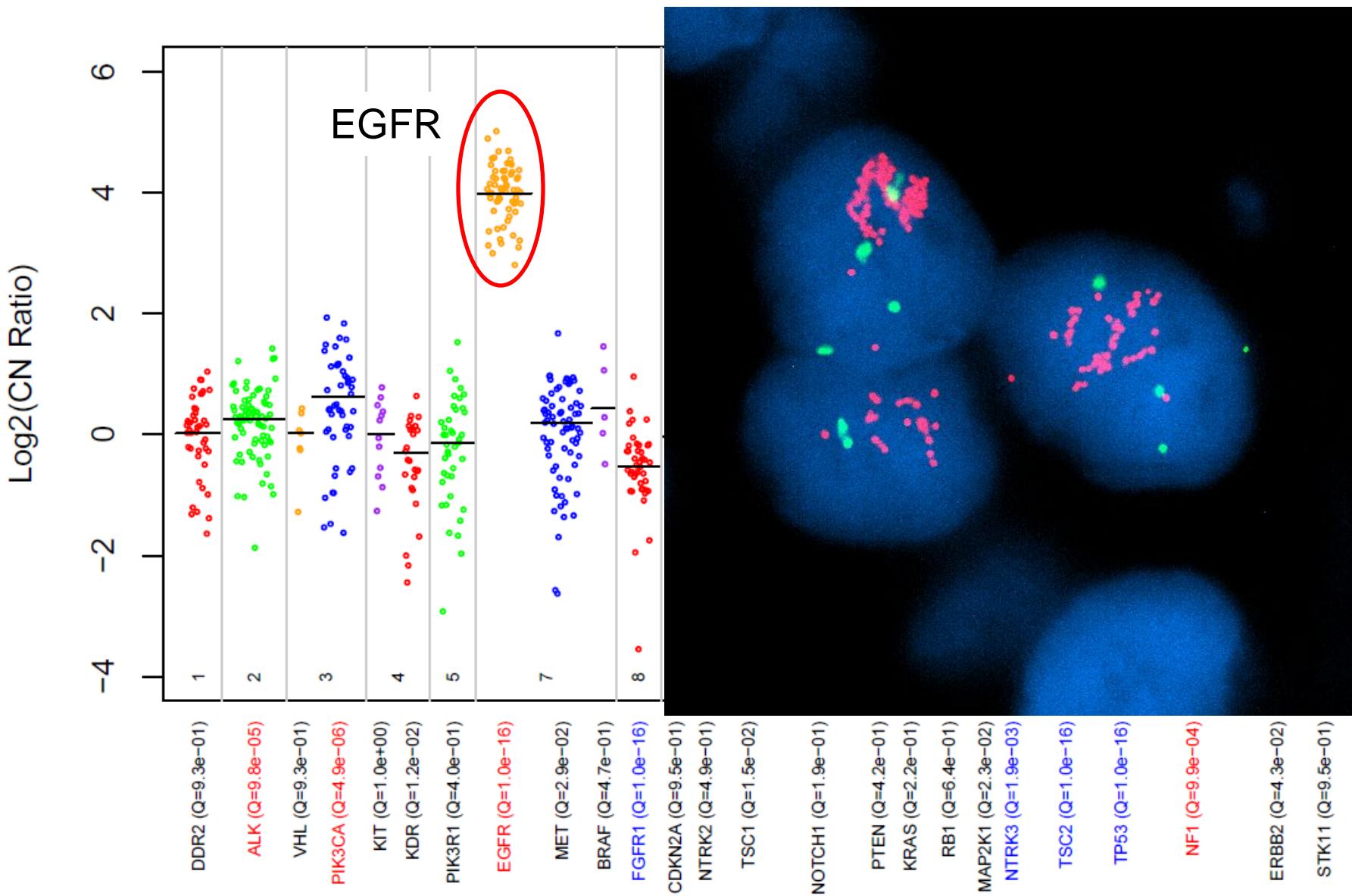
# Lung Adenocarcinoma



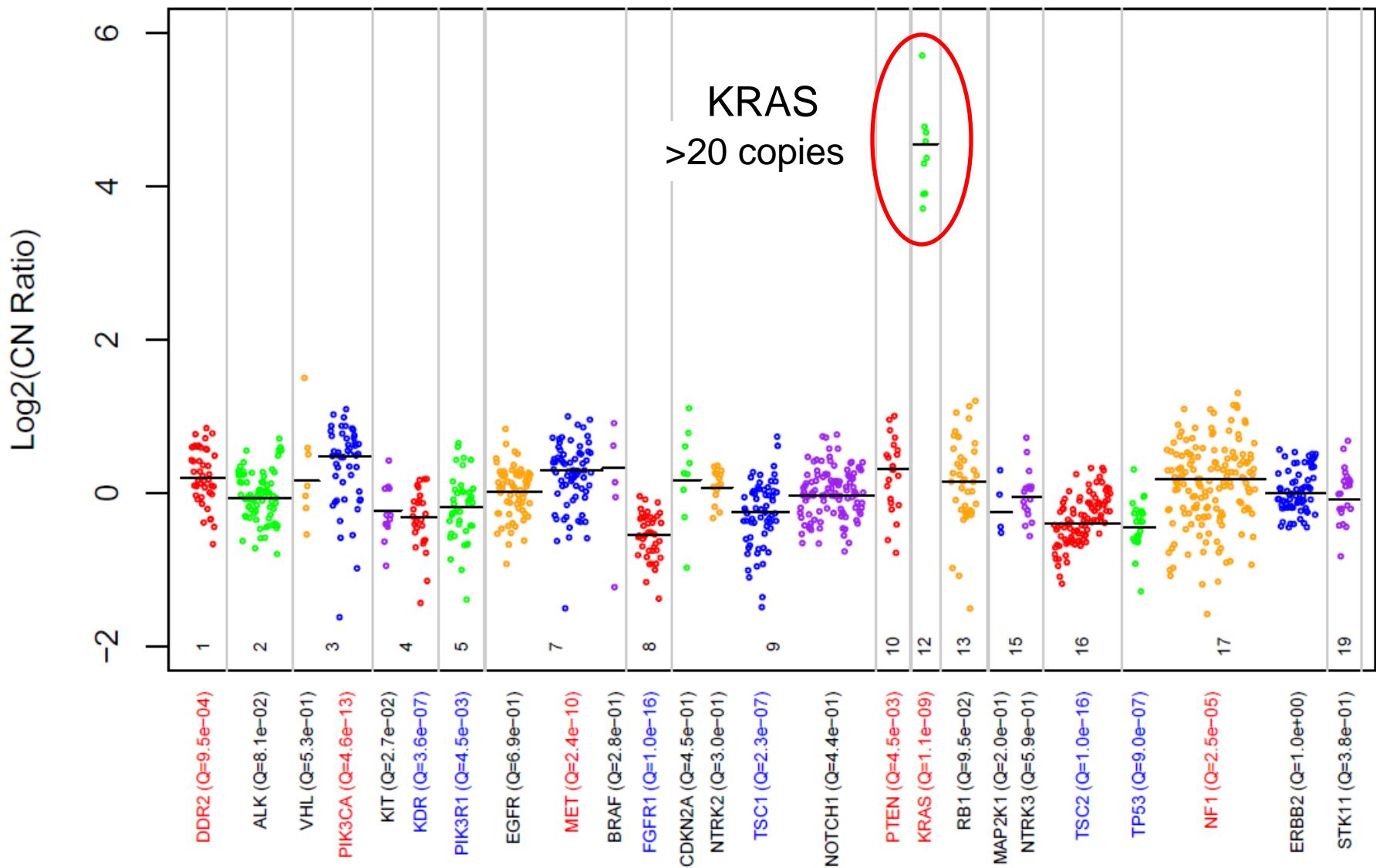
# Lung Squamous Carcinoma



# *EGFR* Amplification in Metastatic Breast Carcinoma



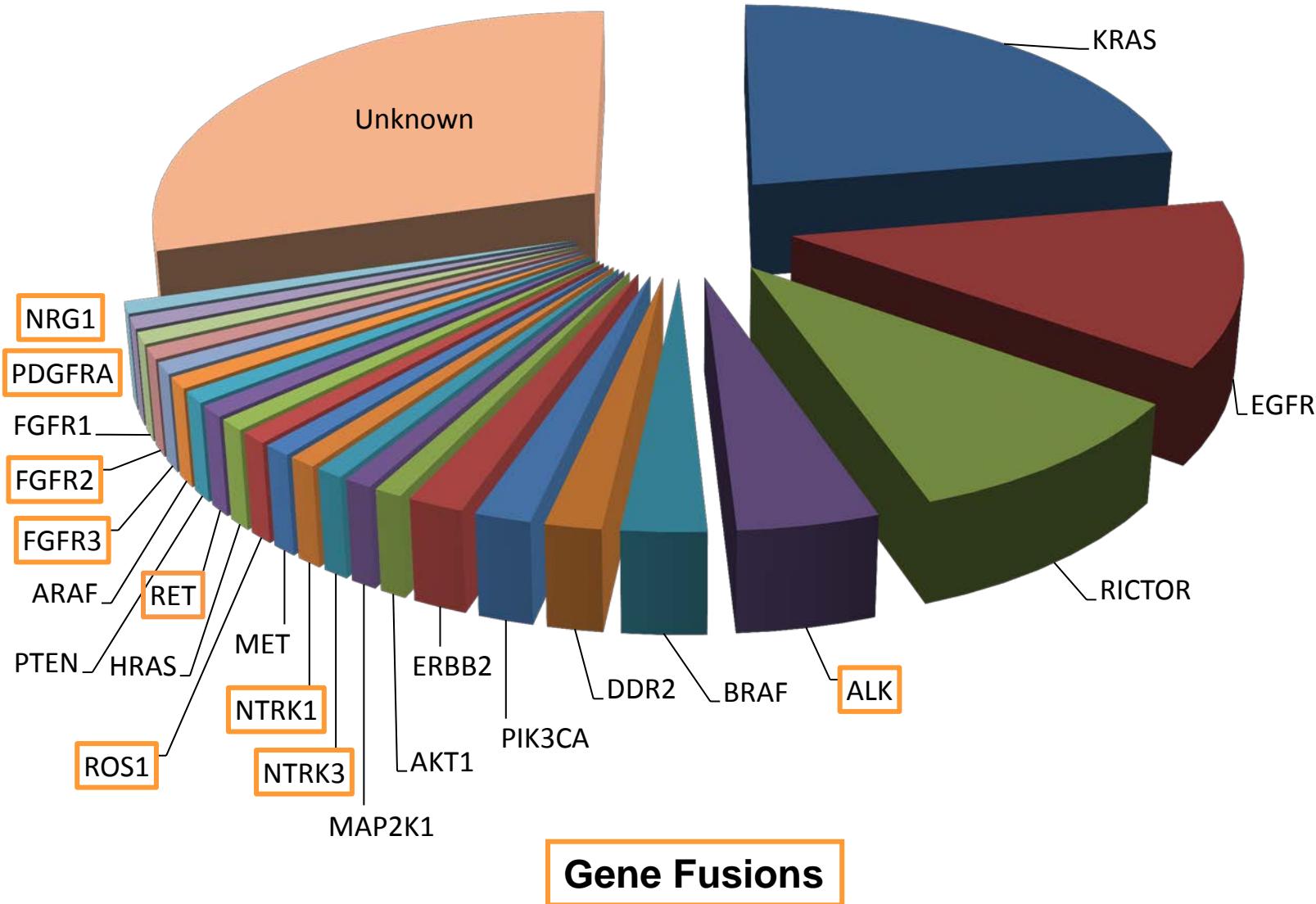
# KRAS Amplification in Ampullary Adenocarcinoma



# Common Gene Amplifications in GI Malignancies

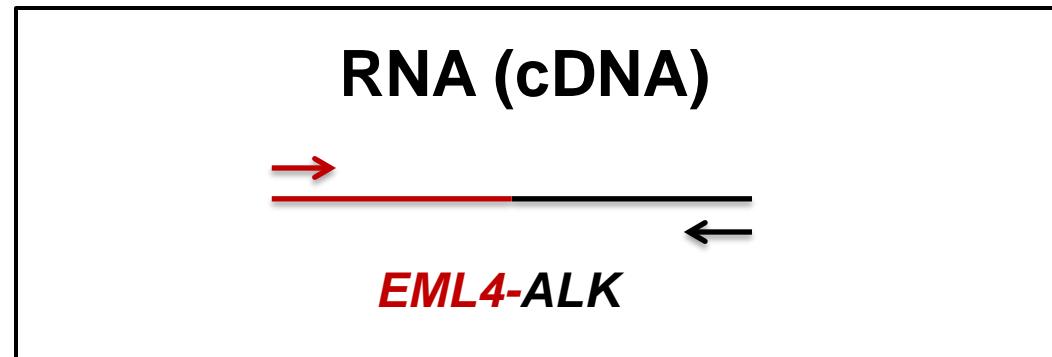
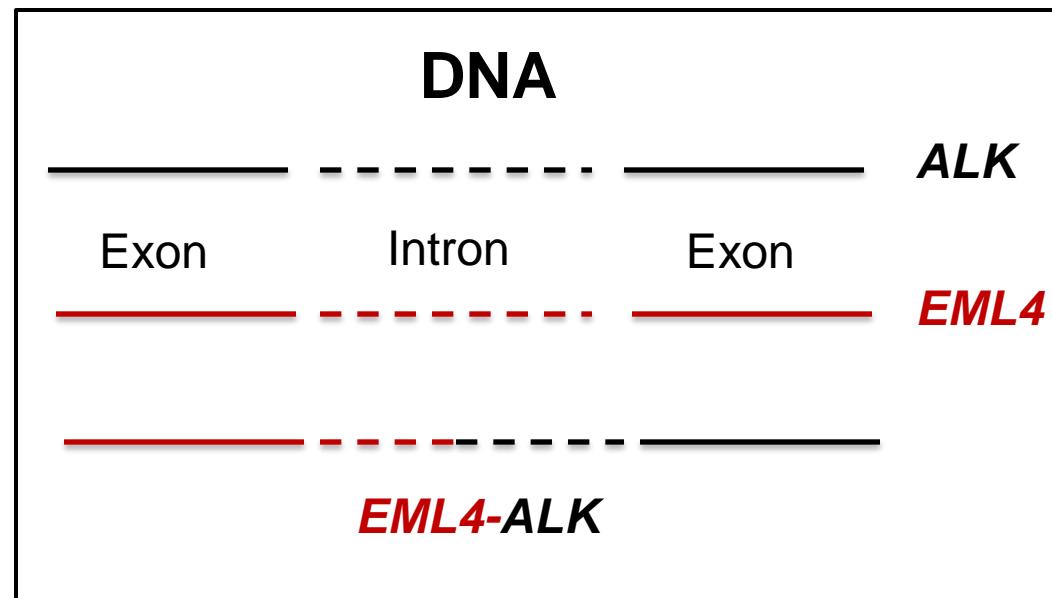
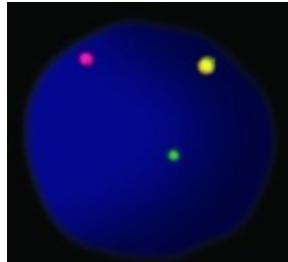
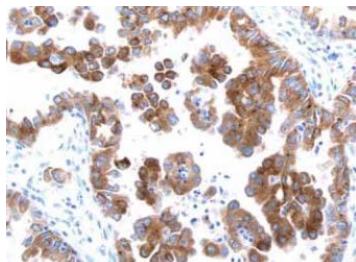
Site	Gene	Cases	Copy Number
Esophagus	KRAS	21% (6/29)	9 – 100
	HER2 (ERBB2)	17% (5/29)	6 - 48
Gallbladder	KRAS	11% (1/9)	20
Bile duct	HER2 (ERBB2)	11% (1/9)	17
Colon	KRAS	2% (2/105)	6 - 10
	HER2 (ERBB2)	1% (1/105)	17

# Molecular Subtypes of Lung Cancer 2016



# Detecting Actionable Gene Fusions

Kinase Fusion	IHC	FISH	NGS
ALK	Yes	Yes	Yes
BRAF	No	Yes	Yes
FGFR1	No	Yes	Yes
FGFR2	No	Yes	Yes
FGFR3	No	Yes	Yes
MET	No	Yes	Yes
NTRK1	Yes	Yes	Yes
NTRK3	Yes	Yes	Yes
PGDFRA	No	Yes	Yes
RET	No?	Yes	Yes
ROS1	Yes	Yes	Yes



# TECHNICAL ADVANCE

## A Multiplexed Amplicon Approach for Detecting Gene Fusions by Next-Generation Sequencing

ATIC/ALK	AGTRAP/BRAF	FGFR2/BICC1	NIN/PDGFRB	CD74/ROS1
C2orf44/ALK	AKAP9/BRAF	FGFR2/CASP7	ESRP1/RAF1	CCDC6/ROS1
CARS/ALK	FCHSD1/BRAF	FGFR2/CCDC6	RAF1/MSS51	CEP85L/ROS1
CLTC/ALK	FAM131B/BRAF	FGFR2/CIT	SRGAP3/RAF1	EZR/ROS1
EML4/ALK	KIAA1549/BRAF	FGFR2/KIAA1967	AFAP1/RET	GOPC/ROS1
FN1/ALK	SLC45A3/BRAF	FGFR2/OFD1	CCDC6/RET	LRIG3/ROS1
FN1/ALK	EGFR variant III	SLC45A3/FGFR2	ELKS/RET	KDELR2/ROS1
KIF5B/ALK	EGFR/PSPH	FGFR3/BAIAP2L1	ERC1/RET	SDC4/ROS1
KLC1/ALK	CAND1/EGFR	FGFR3/TACC3	GOLGA5/RET	SLC34A2/ROS1
MSN/ALK	EGFR/SEPT14	TPR/MET	HOOK3/RET	TFG/ROS1
NPM1/ALK	EGFR/SLC12A9	MIR548F1/MET	HTIF/RET	TPM3/ROS1
PPFIBP1/ALK	BAG4/FGFR1	BCAN/NTRK1	KIF5B/RET	
SEC31A/ALK	CPSF6/FGFR1	CD74/NTRK1	PARG/RET	
SQSTM1/ALK	ERLIN2/FGFR1	MP RIP/NTRK1	PCM1/RET	
STRN/ALK	FGFR1/ZNF703	MIR548F1/NTRK1	PRKAR1A/RET	
TFG/ALK	FGFR1/PLAG1	NFASC/NTRK1	NCOA4/RET	
TPM3/ALK	FGFR1/TACC1	TFG/NTRK1	RET/RFG9	
TPM4/ALK	FGFR1/ZNF703	TPM3/NTRK1	TRIM24/RET	
TRAF1/ALK	FGFR2/AHCYL1	TPR/NTRK1	TRIM27/RET	
VCL/ALK	FGFR2/AFF3	SCAF11/PDGFR A	TRIM33/RET	

Highly targetable fusions:

- ALK
- ROS1
- RET
- EGFR
- BRAF
- FGFR1/2/3
- MET
- NTRK1
- **NRG1**
- PDGFRA
- PDGFRB

Next-gen sequencing:

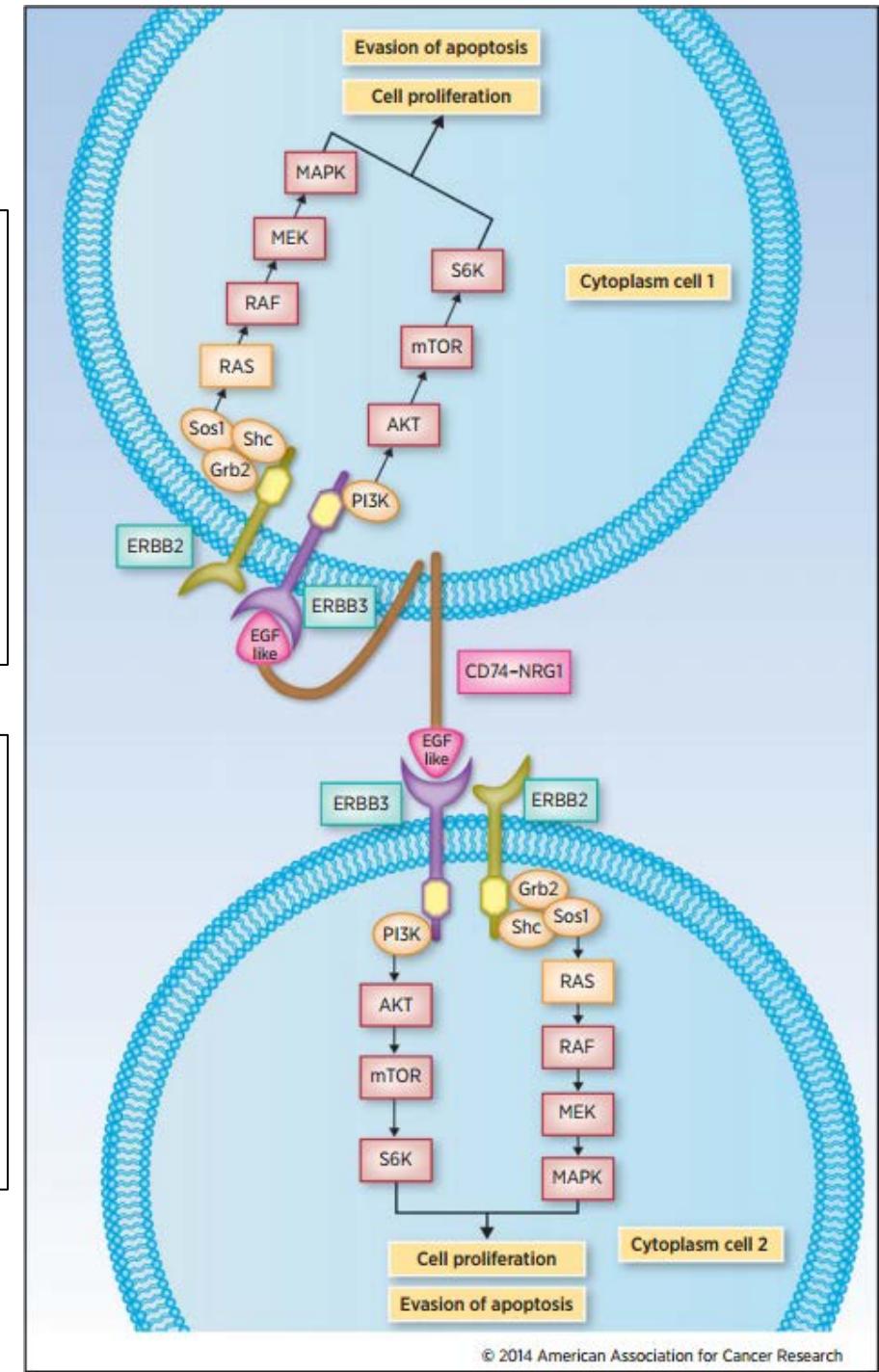
- Identify the fusion partners
- Sensitivity down to 1%

Advantages: small footprint; easy to interpret the data  
Disadvantage: need to know the partner gene

# NRG1 Fusions in NSCLC

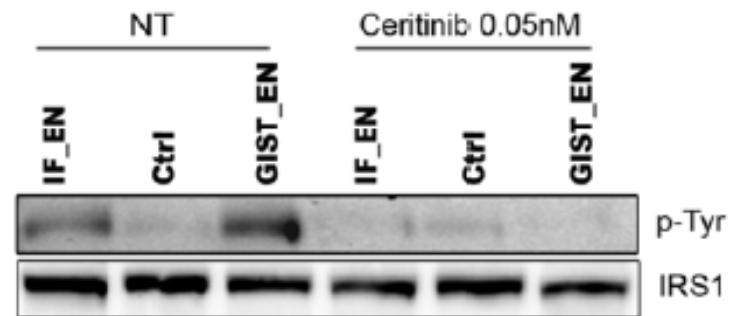
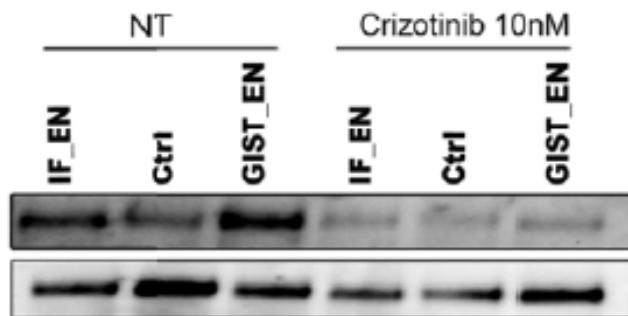
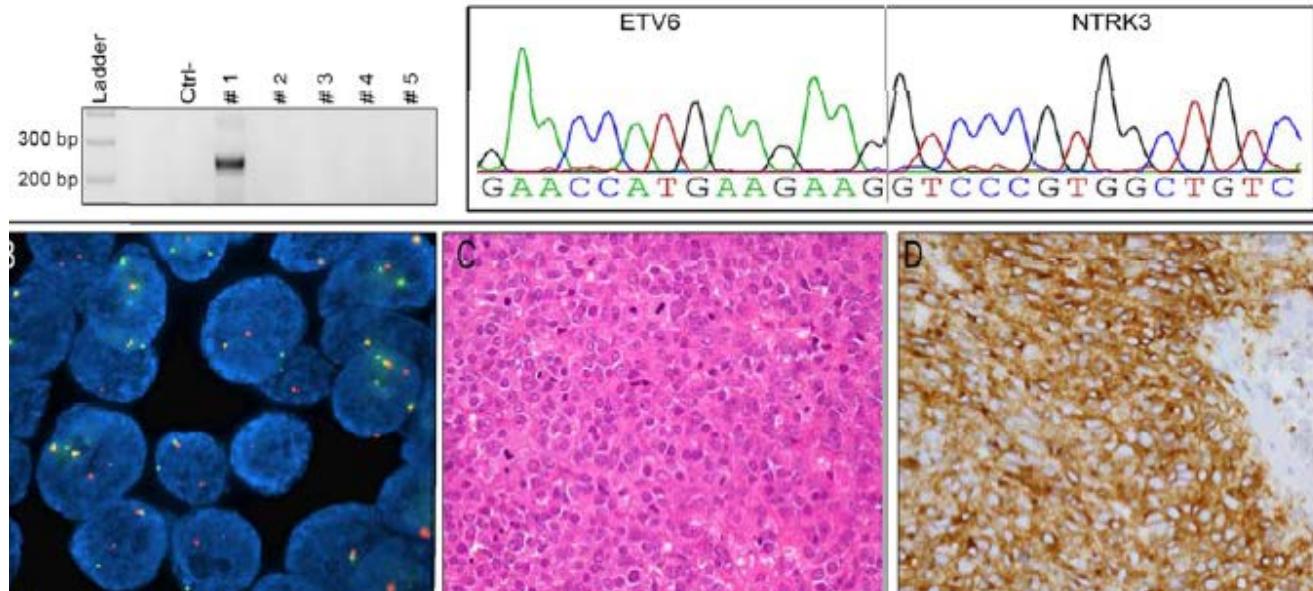
- In 2014, two groups identified NRG1 gene fusions in cases of invasive mucinous adenocarcinoma of the lung
- Both groups showed that the fusions lead to activation of HER3:HER2 signaling

- We recently identified NRG1 fusions in two cases of lung adenoca
- Both patients are being treated with afatinib off-label
- First follow-up CT has shown a marked response



# Kinase Fusions in GISTs

- 44 yr male
- 5 cm rectal tumor
- CD117 positive
- Wild-type for:
  - KIT, PDGFRA
  - BRAF, SDH
- 34 mitoses / 50 mm<sup>2</sup>



# Variant List From a 37-Gene Panel

## 68 Yr Old Male With Head & Neck SQCC

Chrom	Position_Start	Position_End	Ref	Variant	Type	Consequence	Zygosity	Var_Freq	Gene	p_AA_change
chr4	55968089	55968089	T	G	SNP	nonsynonymous	Het	28	KDR	p.K747N
chr9	21971096	21971096	C	A	SNP	stop gain	Het	48	CDKN2A	p.E88*
chr17	7577548*	7577548	G	C	SNP	stop gain	Het	23	TP53	p.M234*

Amino acid				
Gene	Change	% Allele	Interp.	
KDR	K747N	28%	Het	
CDKN2A	E88*(stop)	48%	Hom	
TP53	M234*(stop)	23%	Het	

Tumor in Sample  
= 50% of cells

KDR encodes VEGFR2

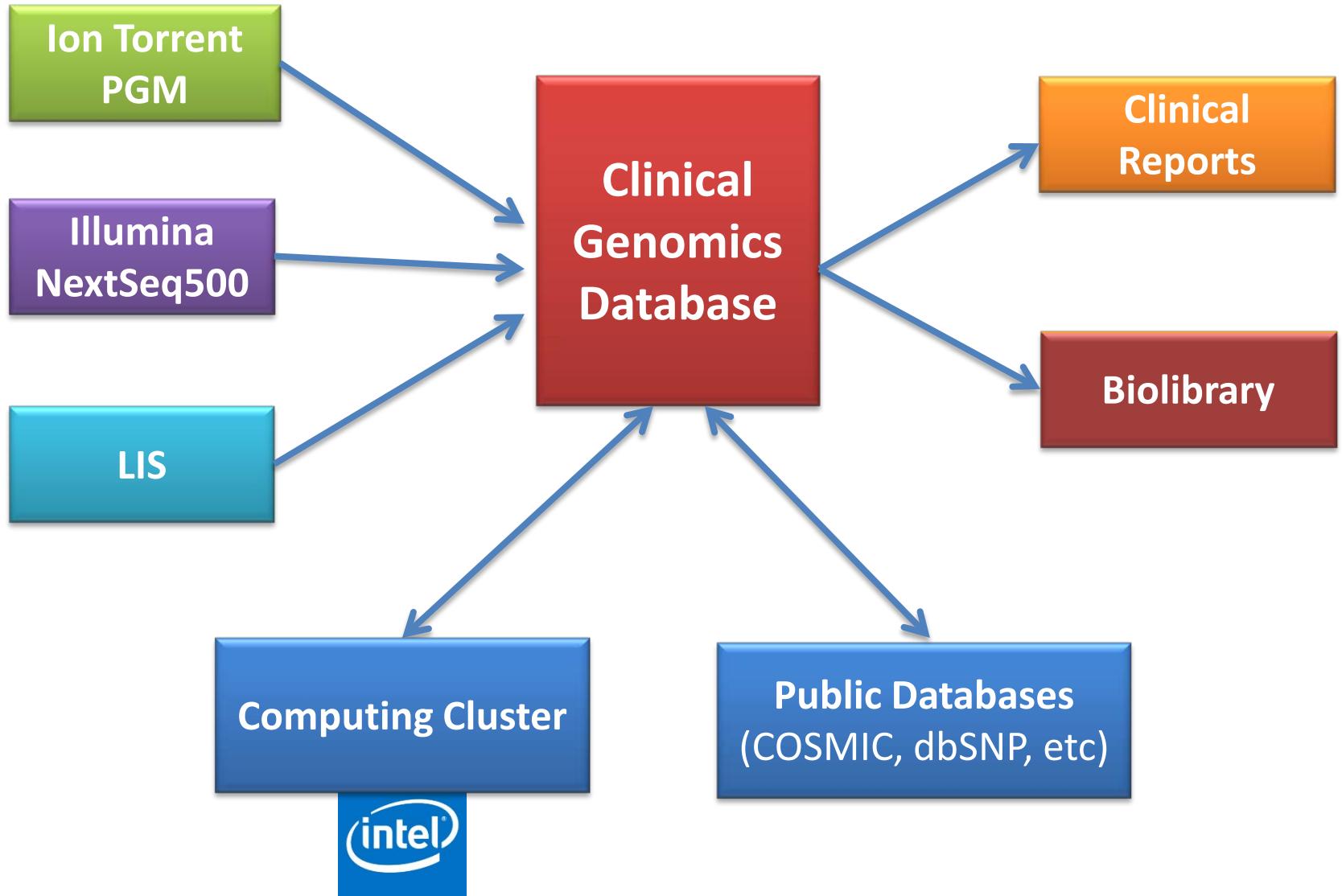
# 68 yr Old Male with Head & Neck SQCC

Before Treatment

Treatment Day 15  
TKI With VEGFR2 Activity



# Data Workflow



Specimen tested: DNA-15-01334  
Reported diagnosis: Ductal carcinoma

 GeneTrails® Solid Tumor Panel

**Positive for PIK3CA p.R88Q and p.H1047R.** Both of these mutations cause activation of PI3 kinase signaling. Consideration might be given to a trial of a PI3 kinase inhibitor.

**Positive for CDKN2A copy number loss.** Genomic alterations affecting the CDKN2A gene, which encodes the p16 tumor suppressor protein, are common in carcinomas and contribute to dysregulation of the cell cycle. Pre-clinical studies suggest that tumors with loss of CDKN2A may be sensitive to CDK4/6 inhibitors.

**Positive for TP53 copy number loss.** The TP53 gene encodes a tumor suppressor protein that responds to diverse cellular stresses to regulate expression of target genes, thereby inducing cell cycle arrest, apoptosis, senescence, DNA repair, or changes in metabolism. TP53 gene alterations, including mutations and loss of heterozygosity, are associated with a variety of human cancers.

**Positive for RET p.S649L.** This alteration has not been reported and its clinical significance is unknown.

Possible Clinical Trials

Additional details for this case available at <https://www.MolecularMatch.com>

[NCT02187783](#) - Modular Phase II Study to Link Targeted Therapy to Patients With Pathway Activated Tumors: Module 8 - LEE011 for Patients With CDK4/6 Pathway Activated Tumors

**Phase:** Phase 2    **Location(s):** AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, IA, LA, MD, MI, MN, MO, NV, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI

**Gene(s):** CCND1, CCND3, CDK4, CDK6, CDKN2A

**Genotype(s):** CDK4 Amplification , CCND3 Amplification, CCND1 Amplification

**Drug(s):** Lee-011

[NCT01449058](#) - A Phase Ib Open-label, Multi-center, Dose Escalation and Expansion Study of Orally Administered MEK162 Plus BYL719 in Adult Patients With Selected Advanced Solid Tumors

**Phase:** Phase 1/2    **Location(s):** CA, FL, IL, MA, NY, TX, UT

**Gene(s):** PTEN, PIK3R1, KRAS, BRAF, MAP2K1, PI3K, NRAS, PIK3CA

**Genotype(s):** NF1 Loss, PTEN Loss

**Drug(s):** Byl719, Mek-162

# Finding Trials: MolecularMatch.com



Searching By:

NSCLC - (CONDITION)

BRAF - (GENE)

Refine By:

**Location**

- Any location
- United States
- State Oregon
- Within 100 miles of Zipcode

**Gene**

- BRAF
- KRAS
- MEK1
- anaplastic lymphoma receptor tyrosine kinase

Show more...

**Mutation**

- BRAF V600E
- BRAF V600
- HER2+

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**Patient has/is**

- Pregnant
- Breast feeding
- Infection
- Unstable angina

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## Matching Drugs | FDA 3 5

Confidence High Medium Low

### Vemurafenib +

**Brand:** Zelboraf

**FDA Approved for**

Melanoma

**Molecular Targets**

BRAF V600E

BRAF

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### Dabrafenib +

**Brand:** Tafinlar

**FDA Approved for**

Melanoma

**Molecular Targets**

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BRAF V600E

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### Sorafenib +

**Brand:** Nexavar

**FDA Approved for**

Kidney cancer

Hepatocellular carcinoma

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**Molecular Targets**

BRAF

VEGFR1

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### LGX818 +

**Brand:** Encorafenib

**Molecular Targets**

BRAF

CRAF

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## Matching Trials | 24

[NCT01922583 - AUY922 in Patient With Stage IV NSCLC](#)

**Alteration:** BRAF

1 of 3 sites: recruiting

**Type:** Interventional

Phase:



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[NCT01306045 - Molecular Profiling and Targeted Therapy for Advanced Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer, Small Cell Lung Cancer, and Thymic Malignancies](#)

**Alteration:** BRAF

2 of 2 sites: recruiting

**Type:** Interventional

**US Study:** nearest 3 miles 9

Phase:



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# KRAS p.A146T

Var Freq:	9.8	Tech Variant Comment:	Low Frequency
dbSNP:	<a href="#">rs121913527</a>	COSMIC:	<a href="#">COSM1165198</a> <a href="#">COSM19404</a>
Gene Significance:	This mutation causes activation of KRAS signaling.		
Significance Rule	Variant: Clinical Significance		Last Reviewed On
KRAS: p.A146T for All Diagnoses	Suspected pathogenic		2014-10-08 12:05:40.0
Therapy Summary:	No approved therapies found.		

## Related Therapies (3)

Therapy Summary					
Adenocarcinoma: Colon resistance	cetuximab	late trials			
Any nonsynonymous - missense on CCDS8702.1 between(inclusive) 146-146	Adenocarcinoma: Colon sensitivity	MEK inhibitors + PI3K pathway inhibitors	preclinical	<a href="#">22392911</a>	
Any nonsynonymous -				<a href="#">23325582</a>	
Adenocarcinoma: Colon resistance	panitumumab	late trials			

## Results:

Tumor Content	Diagnosis	Specimen Description	Specimen Source
80%	Malignant Meningioma	Left Skull Base Tumor	S13-102966 A1

Actionable	Applicable	Unknown Significance
		KDR_Q472H, PAX5_A322T

### Biomarkers Sequenced (targeted regions)

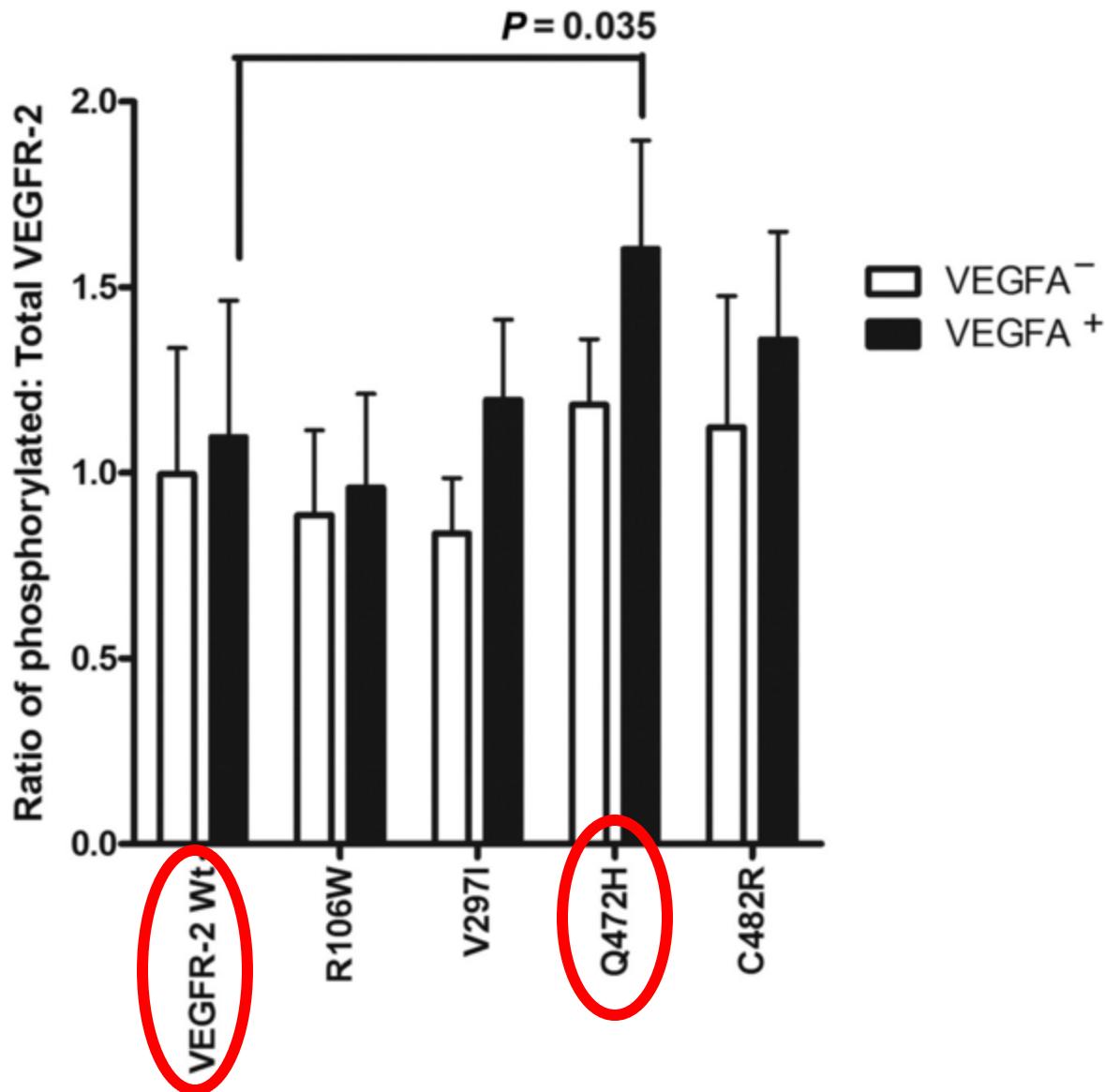
ABL1 (8)	AKT1 (3)	ALK (10)	APC (1))	ASXL1 (1)	ATM (15)	BRAF (2)
CBL (2)	CDH1 (3)	CDKN2A1 (1)	CSF1R (2)	CSF3R (4)	CTNNB1 (1)	DNMT3A (22)
DPYD (2)	EGFR (9)	ERBB2 (3)	ERBB4 (8)	EZH2 (19)	FBXW7 (5)	FGFR1 (9)
FGFR2 (9)	FGFR3 (8)	FGFR4 (8)	FLT3 (5)	GNA11 (4)	GNAQ (4)	GNAS (2)
HNF1A (2)	HRAS (2)	IDH1 (1)	IDH2 (1)	IGF1R (6)	JAK2 (5)	JAK3 (2)
KDR (12)	KIT (10)	KMT2A (5)	KRAS (3)	MAP3K9 (4)	MLH1 (1)	MPL (1)
MYD88 (1)	NOTCH1 (2)	NPM1 (1)	NRAS (2)	PAX5 (9)	PDGFRA (5)	PHF6 (8)
PIK3CA (13)	PTEN (6)	PTPN11 (8)	RB1 (8)	RET (9)	RUNX1 (8)	SF3B1 (12)
SMAD4 (8)	SMARCB1 (3)	SMO (5)	SRC (1)	STK11 (5)	TET2 (9)	TP53 (4)
TPMT (3)	TYMS (1)	UGT1A1 (1)	VHL (2)	WT1 (3)		

**KDR\_Q472H (NM\_002253.2:c.1416A>T) ← 20% of the general population!**

This is a common polymorphism that is predicted to result in a missense protein variant. This mutation is considered to be activating because it results in increased phospho-activation in response to VEGF-A stimulation and greater microvessel density in cell-based studies (PMID:21712447), however the clinical implication of this finding is unclear. There are currently no drugs approved for the treatment of this tumor type with KDR (VEGFR-2) mutations. There are no clinical data to indicate that KDR mutations in this tumor type are predictive of therapeutic response. However, several approved and investigational drugs target VEGFR-2. One potential approach to consider includes use of VEGFR-2 inhibitors. This treatment

approach is based on the availability of investigational and approved drugs that inhibit VEGFR-2 and data in cell-based studies.

# VEGFR2 Phosphorylation in Transfected HEK293 Cells



# “We need to provide knowledge, not just data”

Dr. Kojo Elenitoba-Johnson, Nov. 2013

- 40 year old male with thymic carcinoma and no good treatment options
- Tumor sequenced by a commercial laboratory (200+ gene panel)
  - No actionable mutations reported
  - Variants of unknown significance at very bottom of report included “*KIT* Y646D” (kinase domain)
  - Close to K642E (known hotspot)
- Literature review: 6 case reports of *KIT*-mutant thymic carcinomas responding to *KIT* inhibitors
- Recommendation: try a *KIT* inhibitor



Patient had disease control on sorafenib for 18 months.

Reasonable evidence that KIT Y646D is responsive.

# Summary

- NGS provides a convenient approach to assessing important targets in solid tumors
  - Panels need not be enormous
  - CNV can be assessed, but tumor content is critical
  - RNAseq is useful for detecting gene fusions
- Sequence variants must be interpreted with caution, and be built on a solid understanding of cancer biology and current treatment options

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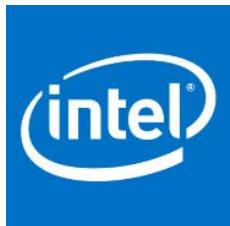


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# Whole Exome Sequencing



- Benefit offered to Intel patients/spouses with advanced cancer
  - Tumor and germline DNA sequenced
  - Analysis performed using GATK-based pipeline licensed from the Broad Institute
  - Current contract is for 100 patients (2015-2016)