Sizing Up Cancer in Cell-Free DNA (a series of happy accidents)

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Tejada et al., J Neurooncol, 2013;116:169-175

Regardless of therapy, median survival remains <15 months after the <u>initial</u> diagnosis (Stupp et al., *Lancet Oncol*, 2009;10:459-66)

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Fast Bound-Pool Fraction Imaging (FBFI) vs. Histology



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Cell-Free DNA



Red blood cell

Fetal cfDNA

1. Schwarzenbach et al., Nature Rev Clinical Oncol, 2014;11:145-56 2. http://www.ultrasoundcare.com.au/services/nipt.html

Circulating Tumor DNA – Accident #1

Human Stem Cell-Like Lines: GBM4 and GBM8

Wakimoto et al., Cancer Research, 2009;69:3472-81

No Serum



Yes Serum



Xenograft Model: Rat Brain – Human GBM81







Xenograft Model: Rat Brain – Human GBM8₃



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Xenograft Model: Rat Brain – Human GBM



Xenograft Model: Rat Flank – Human HCC







Is the shift a xenograft effect?



Lo et al., Sci Transl Med 2010;61ra91

Bettegowda et al., Sci Transl Med 2014;6:224ra24

Circulating Tumor DNA – Accident #2

Human Melanoma



Human Lung Cancer – Cell-Free DNA



Human Lung Cancer – Sequencing Data





Human Lung Cancer – Fraction Selection





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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Fragment Length of Circulating Tumor DNA

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Key points:

- 1. Cell-free DNA derived from tumor cells has a shorter fragment length distribution in plasma compared to healthy cell-free DNA
- 2. Sub-fraction selection of smaller cell-free DNA fragments appears to enrich for circulating tumor DNA

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V600E gBlocks (165 bp)



Size Selection

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CoastalGenomics – Nimbus Ranger



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EGFR T790M gBlocks (130 bp) 73% 72 **Mutant Allele Frequency** 14 12% 12 10 8 7.4% 6 4 2 0.8% 0.6% 0.4% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0 7.000% 0.700% 0.070% 0.007%

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Size Selection



Nimbus Ranger – Lung Cancer Exon19Del (N=3)



Summary

- PAGE affords selection of multiple adjacent fractions with high resolution, but is SLOW!
- Nimbus Ranger provides rapid (<6 hours) collection of 2 non-adjacent fractions with good recovery in up to 96 samples
- Selection of shorter cell-free DNA fragments may enrich for circulating tumor DNA in some samples, while not negatively impacting MAF in other samples

Reminders



GBM-associated cell-free DNA is present in plasma from a xenograft brain model of GBM



GBM-associated cell-free DNA has not been previously detected in humans

Cell-Free DNA Characteristics



Tumor/Normal Whole Exome Sequencing (WES)



Variants (novel/existing): 1470 (70.5%/29.5%)

Variants (novel/existing): 1108 (61.1%/38.9%)

• *PTEN* p.Met198del custom-designed Taqman assay for ddPCR

GBM – Accident #3

PTEN p.Met198del ddPCR



PTEN p.Met198del ddPCR



Intratumor Genetic Heterogeneity



Sottoriva et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci, 2013;110:4009-14

Custom Panel (128 genes; 128 kb)

ABCB1	CDKN2A	FGFR3	HRAS	MET	QKI	TERT
ABCC9	CDX4	FHL2	IDH1	MMP13	RB1	TMEM147
ABL1	CIC	FIP1L1	IDH2	MROH2B	RET	TP53
ADAM29	COL1A2	FLT3	IL18RAP	MSH6	RFX6	TPTE2
AFM	CTNNB1	FOXR2	IL1R2	MTOR	RPL5	TRAF7
AIFM3	CXorf22	FRMD7	JAK2	NF1	SCN9A	TRIM51
AKT1	CDAF12L2	FUBP1	JAK3	NF2	SEMA3C	TRIM51BP
ALK	DDR2	FZD7	KCNC2	NLRP5	SIGLEC8	TRIM51EP
ANKRD36	DRD5	GABRA1	KDR	NOTCH1	SLC26A3	TRPV6
APC	DYNC1I1	GABRA6	KEL	NOVA1	SMAD4	UGT2A3
ATM	EDIL3	GABRB2	KIT	NRAS	SMG5	VHL
ATRX	EGFR	GCSAML	KLF4	ODF4	SMO	WNT2
BRAF	ERBB2	GNA11	KRAS	PARD6B	SPO11	ZNF844
CALCR	ERBB4	GNAQ	KRTAP20-2	PDGFRA	SPTA1	ZNF99
CARD6	ERCC1	GNAS	LCE4A	PIK3CA	STAG2	
CDH1	FBXW7	GOLGA5	LRRC55	PIK3R1	STK11	
CDH18	FGA	GPX5	LUM	PLCH2	SULT1B1	
CDH9	FGFR1	H3F3AP4	LZTR1	PODNL1	SYT14	
CDHR3	FGFR2	HIST1H3B	MAP2K1	PTEN	ТСНН	

Sequencing Metrics (*N*=6)



PTEN sequencing: p.Met198del



Potential GBM Variants in Cell-Free DNA



Summary

- Inter-tumor genetic heterogeneity requires a personalized approach for detecting circulating tumor DNA
- Intra-tumor genetic heterogeneity coupled with the non-metastatic nature of GBM requires an approach with high-sensitivity for detection of variants in cell-free DNA with a frequency <1%

NSCLC Serial Monitoring (EGFR T790M)



















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Pancreatic Cancer – KRAS exon 2 ice-COLD-PCR



Genotype/Phenotype Associations

Myelin Density Imaging



Underhill et al., J Magn Reson Imaging, 2015;42:1611-22

Dynamic MRI



Underhill, Magn Reson Med, 2016; In press

- Fragment size is important in cell-free DNA
- Overcoming challenges associated with detection of cell-free DNA derived from GBM has profound implications for the "liquid biopsy"

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