

# **Precision Oncology: The Optimism and Pessimism from Keyboard to Bedside**

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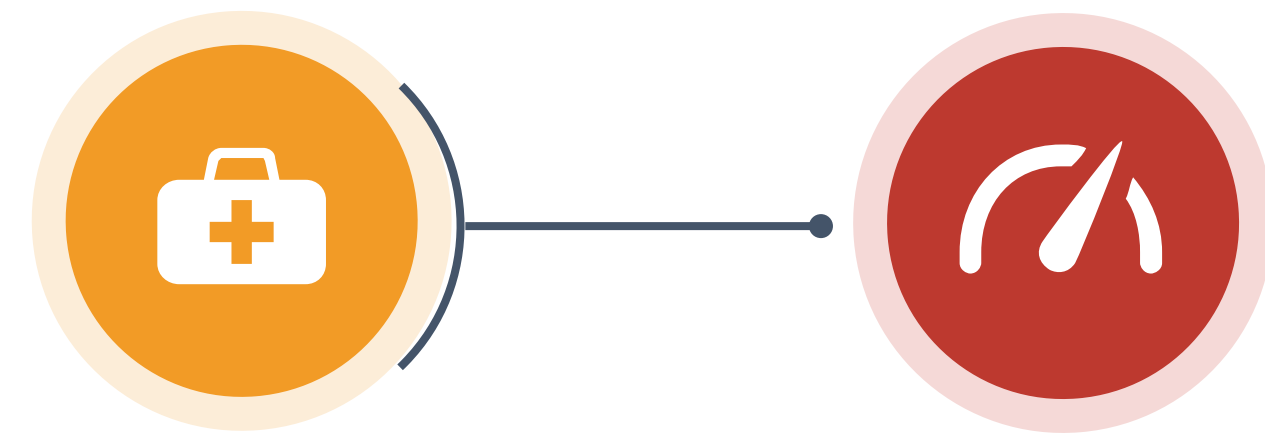
- I will discuss the off-label use of the following drugs:
  - Ruxolitinib
  - Imatinib
  - Bortezomib
  - Vorasidenib
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- Founder, CancerPOP

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# Elements of Precision Oncology



Treatment

Response

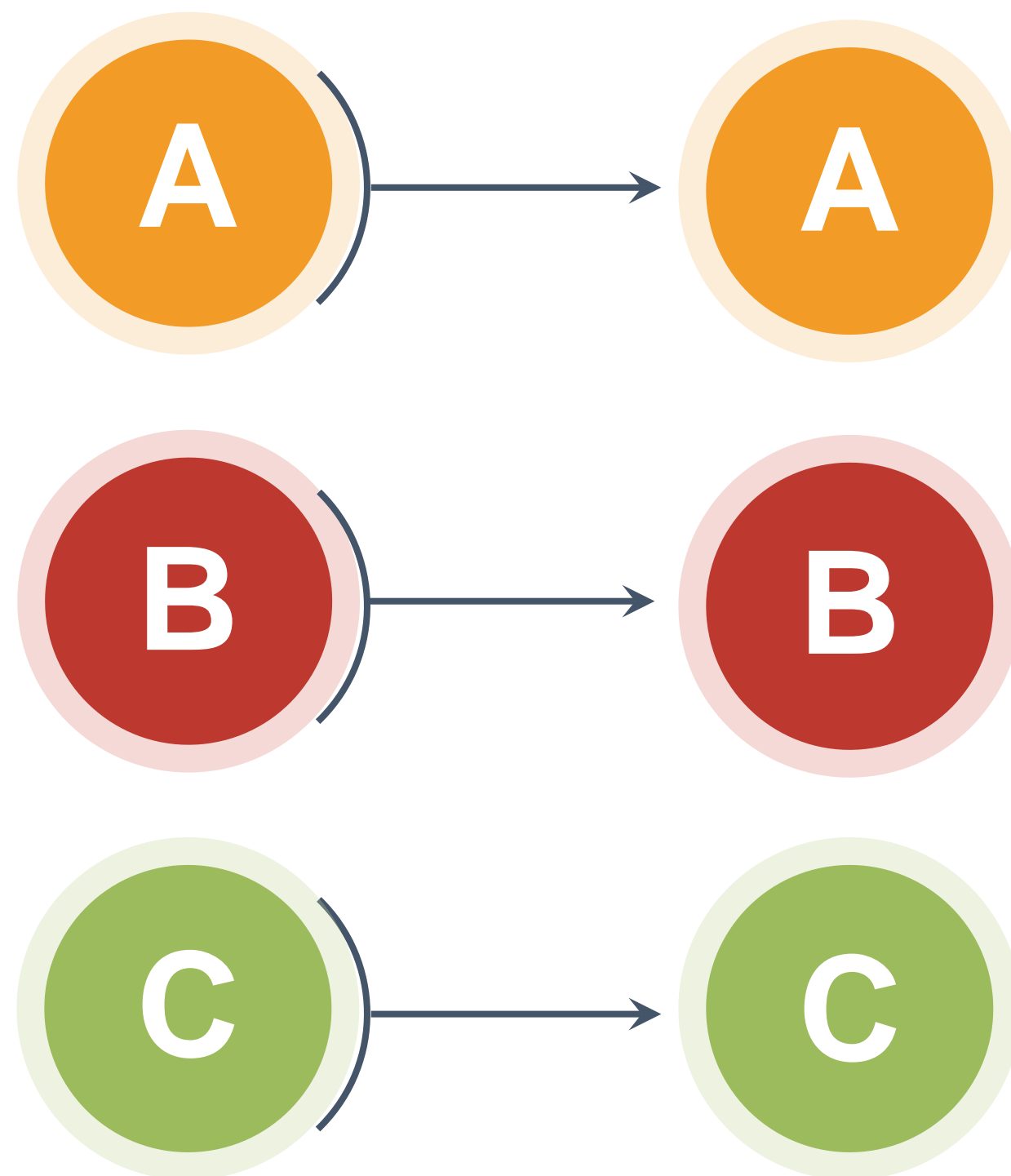
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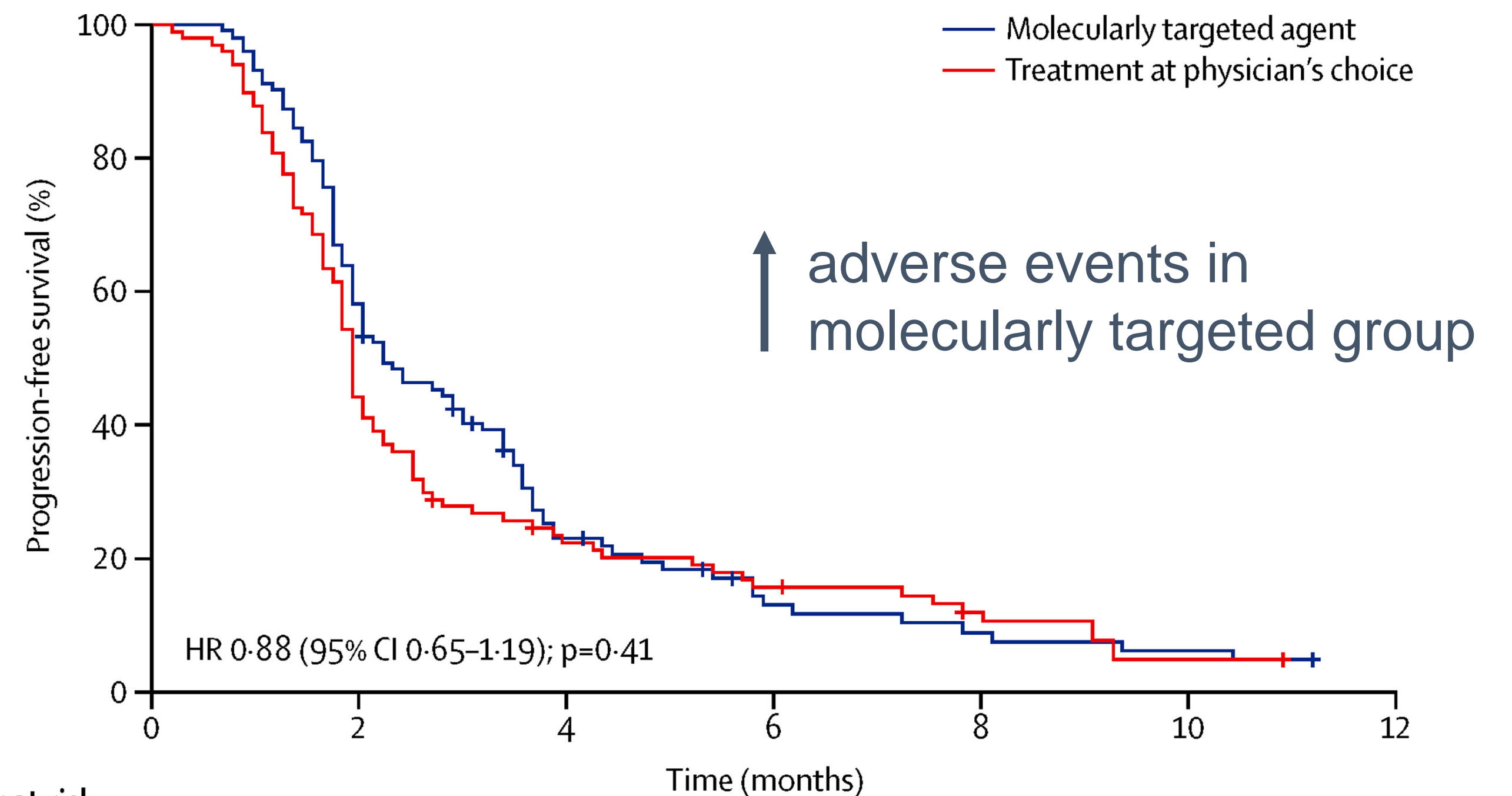
# Single Gene, Single Drug Matching

GENE

DRUG



**SHIVA Clinical Trial, *Lancet Oncology* 2015**  
refractory metastatic solid tumor, 10 gene-drug pairs



Number at risk									
Molecularly targeted agent	99	62	20	10	5	2	0		
Treatment at physician's choice	95*	50	19	12	8	1	0		



# Varieties of Precision Oncology

## Pros:

- Compact assay
- Complete intracellular programming
- Number of drug & combos
- Variety of read-outs possible
- Normal cell referencing
- Automation, high throughput
- Reproducible

## Cons:

- Technical failure rate (historical)
- Correlates with clinical?
- Limited number of drugs
- Recommends same drugs given empirically
- Currently lacks cancer environment

*In Vitro*  
**Drug Testing**

*In Vivo*  
**PDX testing**

**Computational  
Modeling**

## Pros:

- Includes environment

## Cons:

- Correlates with clinical?
- Limited number of drugs
- Labor-intensive
- Technically challenging

## Pros:

- Remotely accessible assay: mobile, cloud
- Multi-gene, multi-drug / high-dimensional
- Limitless number of drugs
- Immortalized model
- Network/pathway identification
- Updates with advancing knowledge
- Block-chain permissable

## Cons:

- Correlates with clinical?
- Finite elements due to software coding
- Depends on data completeness
- Currently lacks cancer environment

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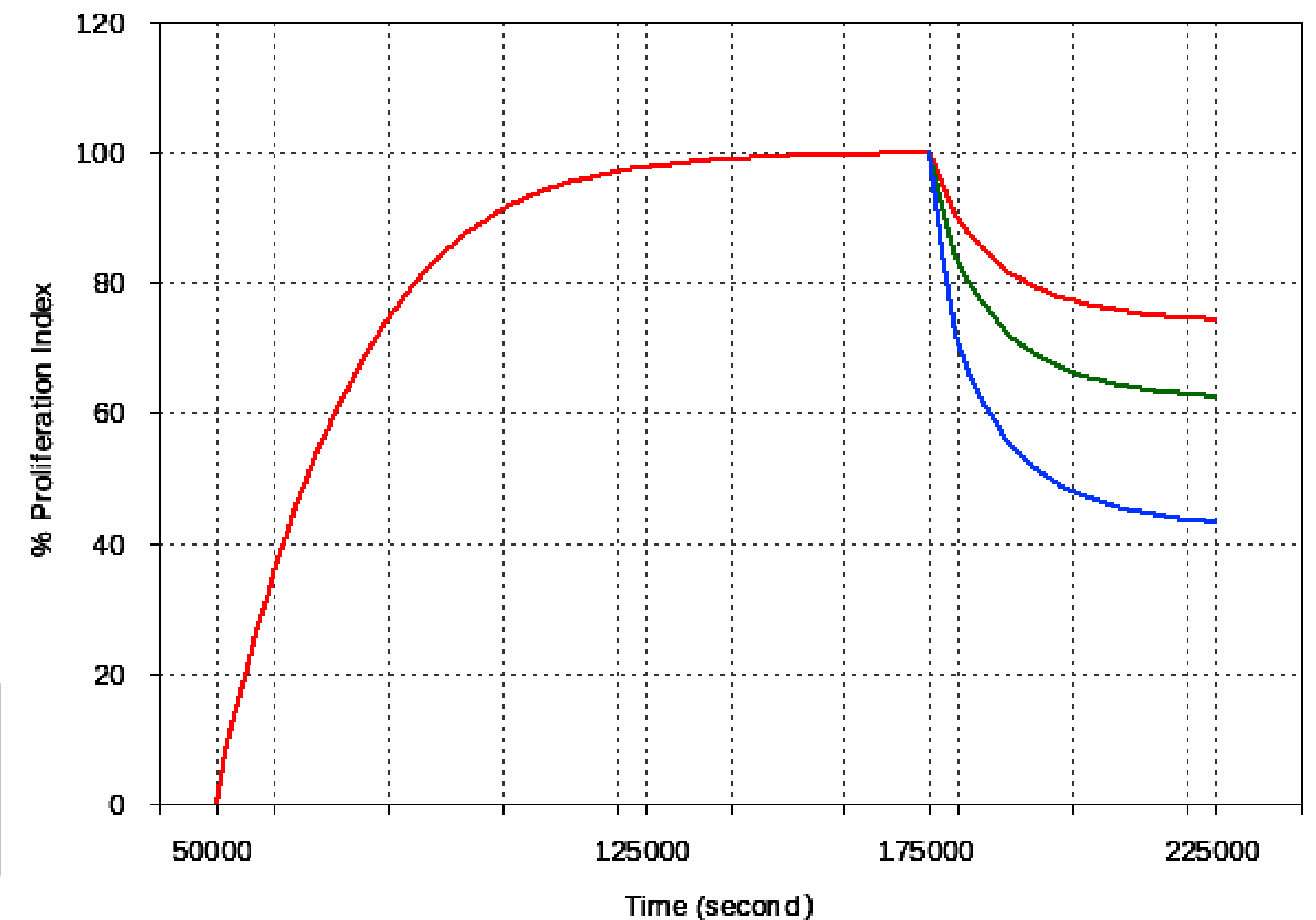
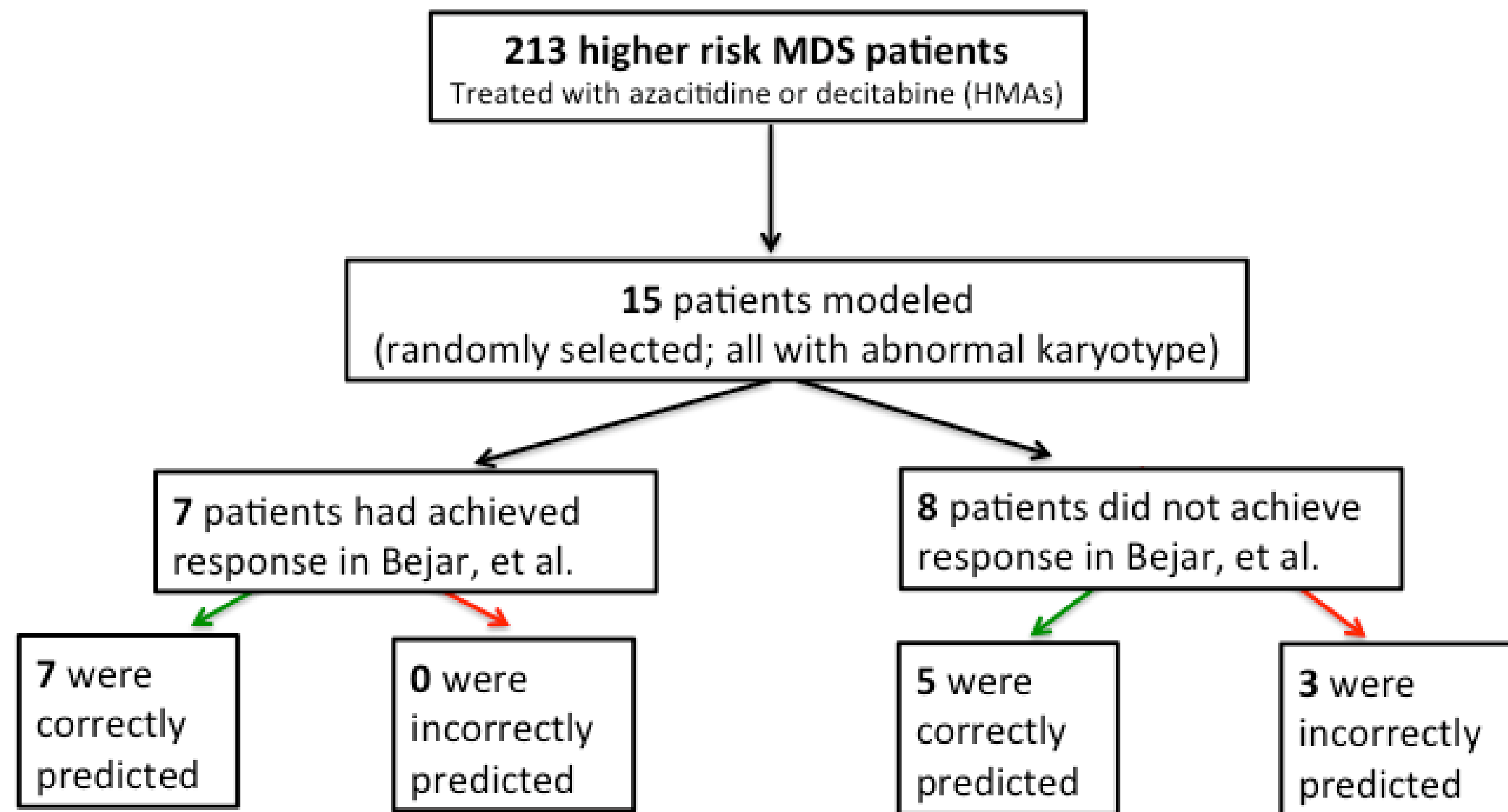
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# Computational Biology Modeling & Digital Drug Simulation in MDS and AML

- Retrospective Studies





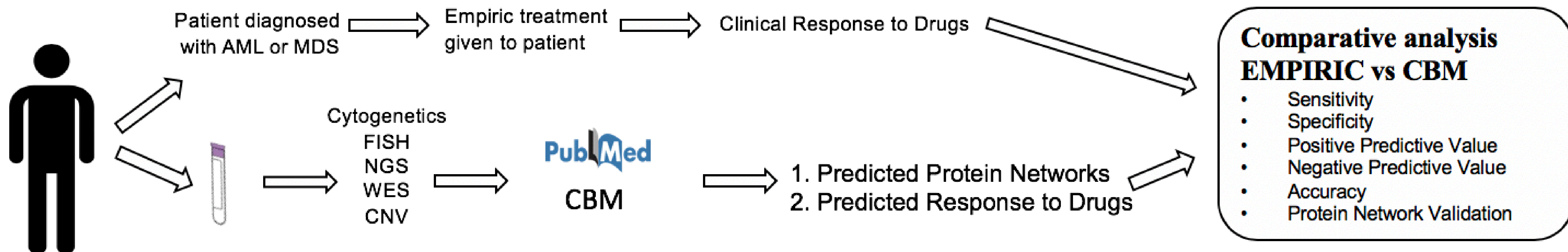
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Drusbosky, et al. *Leukemia Research* 2016

Patient Cohort	1	2	3
Patients Modeled	46	15	10
Patients Excluded	6	98	26
MDS Risk Category	Low: 48% Int-1: 50% Int-2: 2% High: 0%	Low: 13% Int-1: 27% Int-2: 40% High: 20%	Low: 0% Int-1: 10% Int-2: 50% High: 40%
Cytogenetic Abnormalities	del(5q)+/- other abnormalities	Variety	Variety
Treatment	Lenalidomide 10 mg PO QD D1-21 every 28-day cycle	Azacitidine 75 mg/m2 SC QD D1-7 of each 28-day cycle or Decitabine 20mg/m², IV QD D1-5 of each 28 day cycle	Azacitidine 75 mg/m2 SC QD D1-5 and Lenalidomide 10mg PO QD D1-21 of each 28-day cycle
Patients who Achieved Response (N, %)	37 (80%)	7 (46%)	8 (80%)
Patients Who Did Not Achieve Response (N, %)	9 (19%)	8 (53%)	2 (20%)
Correctly Predicted Responders (N)	33 (89%)	7 (100%)	8 (100%)
Correctly Predicted Non-Responders (N)	4 (44%)	5 (63%)	2 (100%)
Positive Predictive Value (%)	89%	100%	100%
Negative Predictive Value (%)	44%	63%	100%

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- Prospective Pilot Study



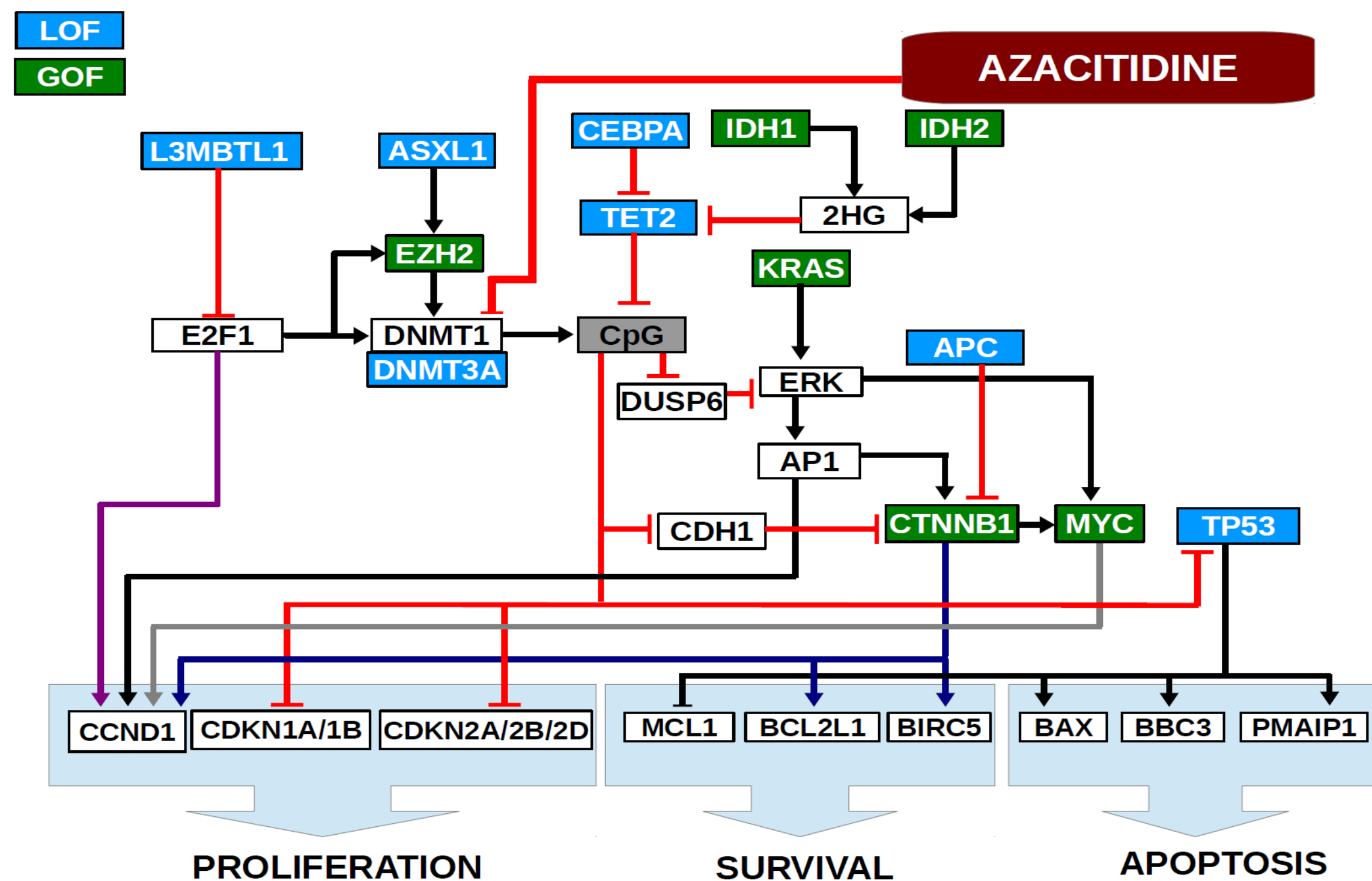
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Characteristic	Participants Evaluable for Clinical Response, N = 50 (% patients)
Median age (range)	66.5 (42–90)
Sex, n (%)	
Female	25 (50)
Male	25 (50)
Disease and origin, n (%)	
MDS	15 (30)
AML	33 (66)
De novo	21 (64)
Secondary	12 (36)
CMML-2	1 (2)
Myelofibrosis	1 (2)
Diagnosis, n (%)	
Newly diagnosed	34 (68)
Relapsed/refractory	16 (32)
Prior therapy, n (%)	
No	20 (40)
Yes	30 (60)
Cytogenetics, n (%)	
Uninformative	17 (34)
Complex	31 (62)
Other	2 (4)

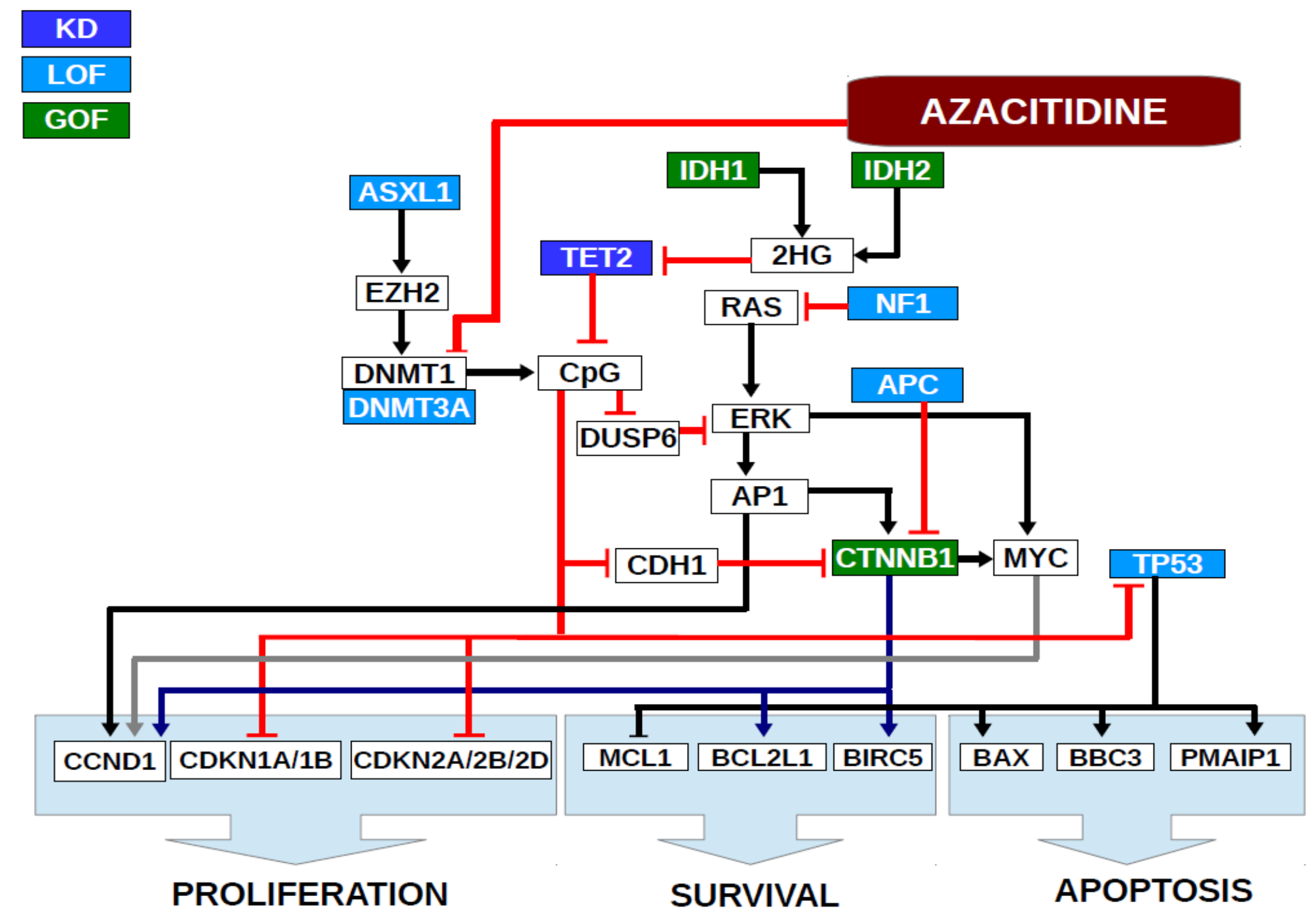
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## SENSITIVE



## RESISTANT



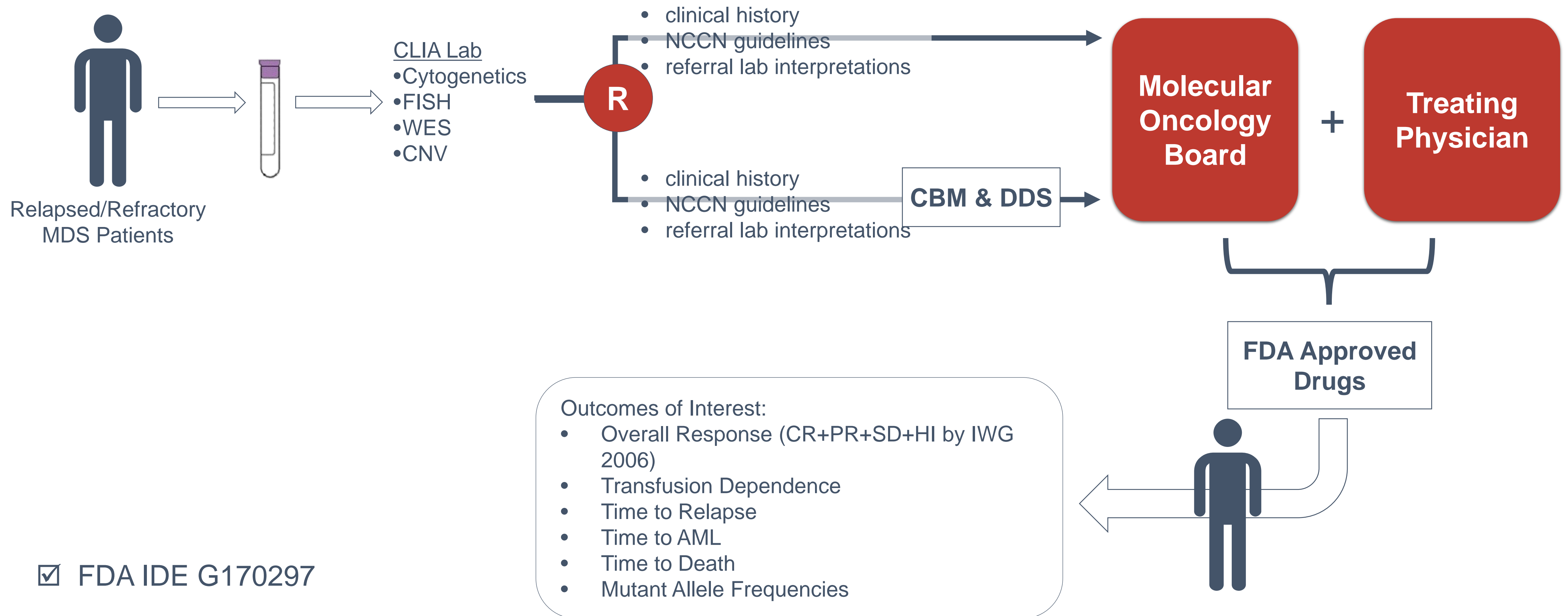


Drug	N <sup>a</sup>	Correct prediction, n/N	Positive response prediction		Negative response prediction		Sensitivity	Specificity	PPV	NPV	Accuracy	P value
			True	False	True	False						
HMA <sup>b</sup>	18	16/18	4		12	2	67%	100%	100%	86%	89%	6.060E-02
Lenalidomide	2	2/2			2			100%		100%	100%	5.000E-01
Ruxolitinib	2	2/2	2				100%		100%		100%	5.000E-01
Imatinib	1	1/1	1				100%		100%		100%	1.000E-00
HiDAC <sup>c</sup>	17	17/17	14		3		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	3.615E-03
Bortezomib	1	1/1			1			100%		100%	100%	1.000E-00
Cytarabine + fludarabine	1	1/1			1			100%		100%	100%	1.000E-00
Vorasidenib (AG-881)	1	1/1			1			100%		100%	100%	1.000E-00
7+3 <sup>d</sup>	18	14/18	12	3	2	1	92%	40%	80%	67%	78%	2.353E-01
Overall	61	55/61	33	3	22	3	94%	88%	94%	88%	90%	6.416E-05



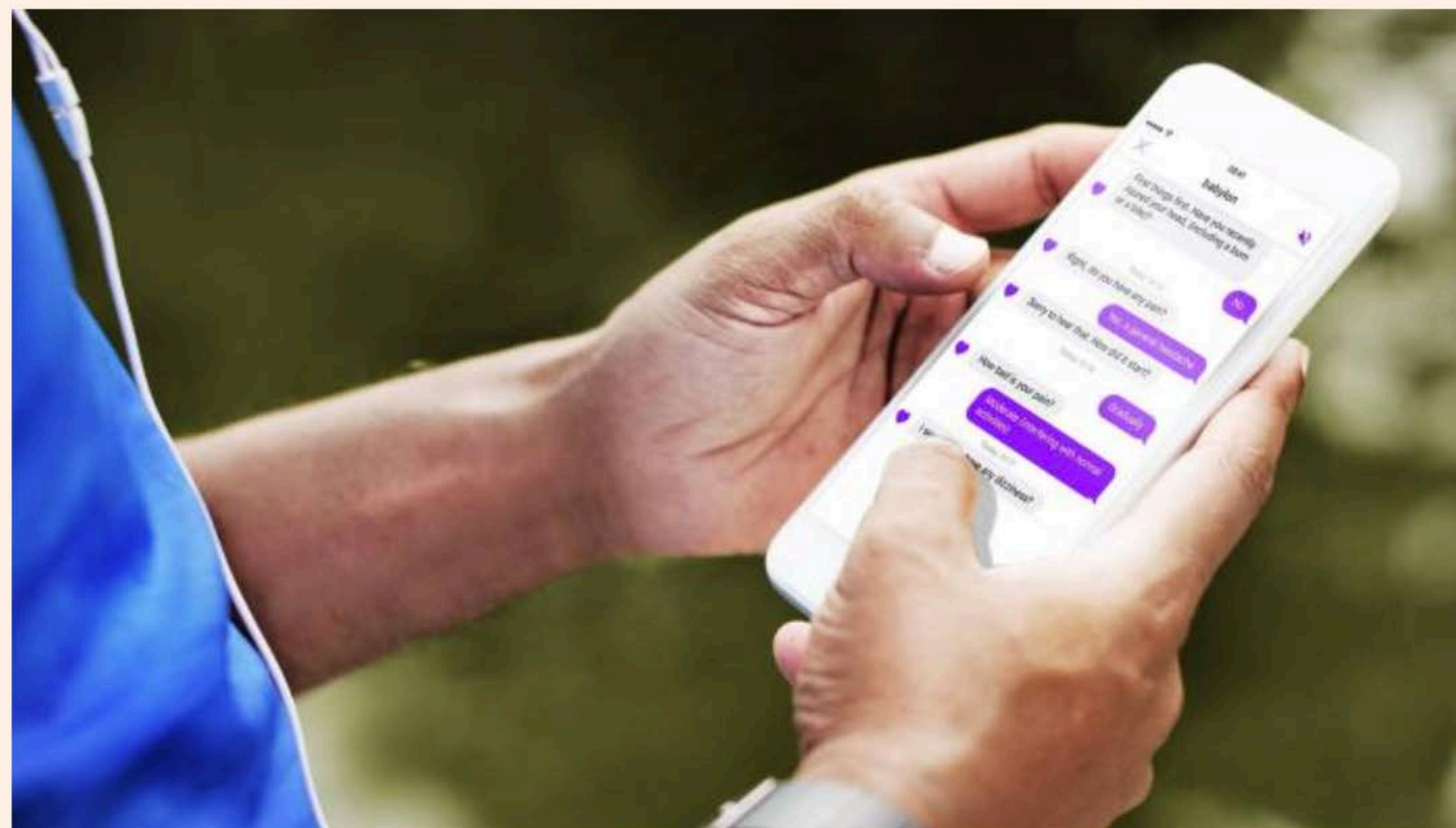
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- Randomized, Phase 2 Clinical Trial



## High-profile health app under scrutiny after doctors' complaints

Babylon advice service faces warnings it can miss symptoms of serious illness



Babylon is one of a number of new tech products being adopted by overburdened health services

Aliya Ram and Sarah Neville JULY 13, 2018

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EXCLUSIVE

## IBM's Watson supercomputer recommended 'unsafe and incorrect' cancer treatments, internal documents show

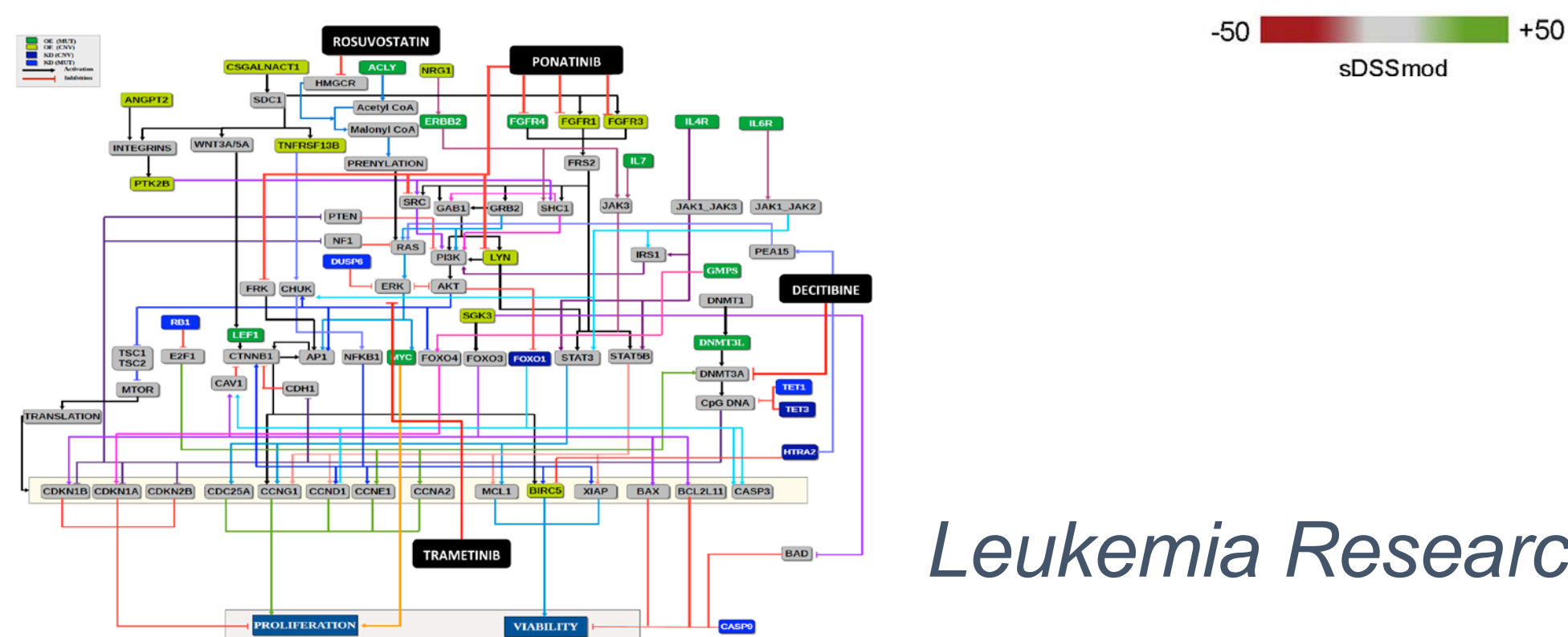
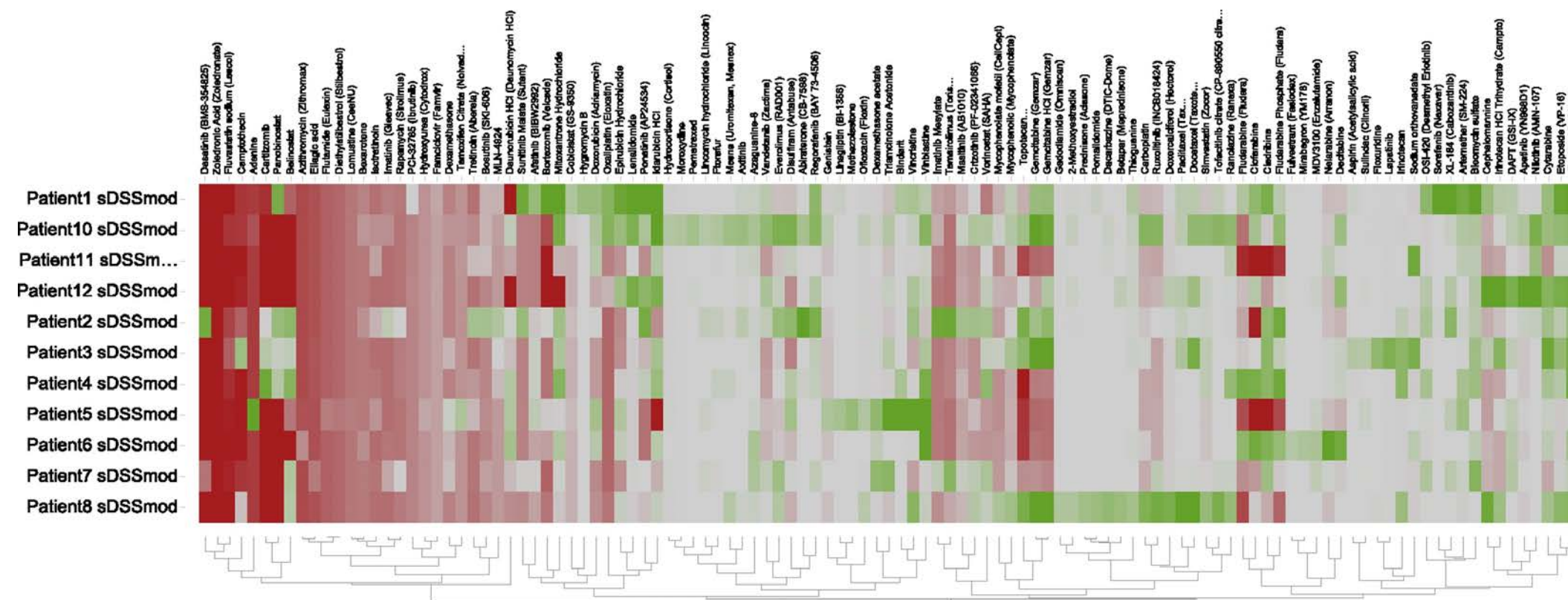
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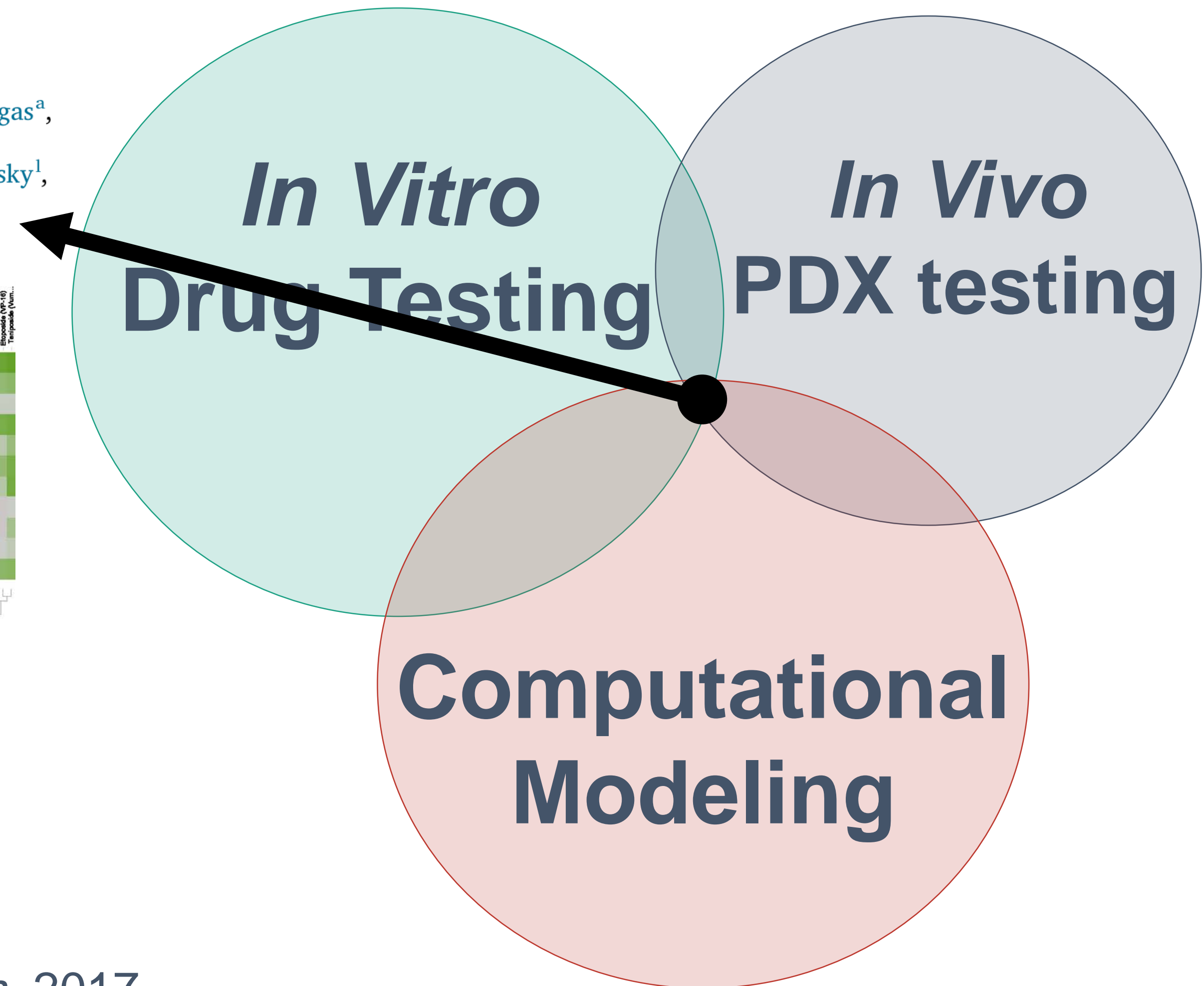
# Synergy Among Precision Oncology

# Ex-vivo sensitivity profiling to guide clinical decision making in acute myeloid leukemia: A pilot study

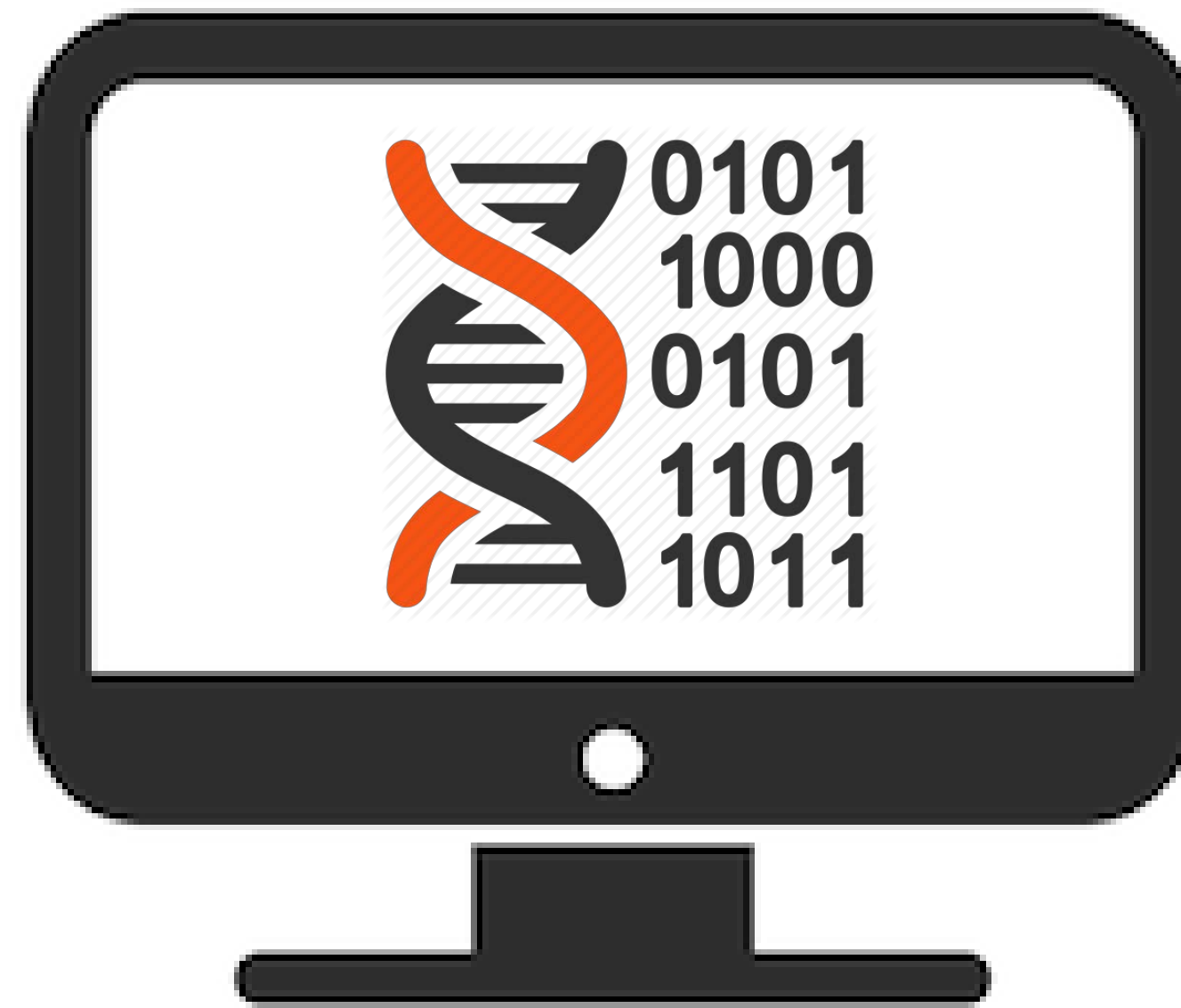
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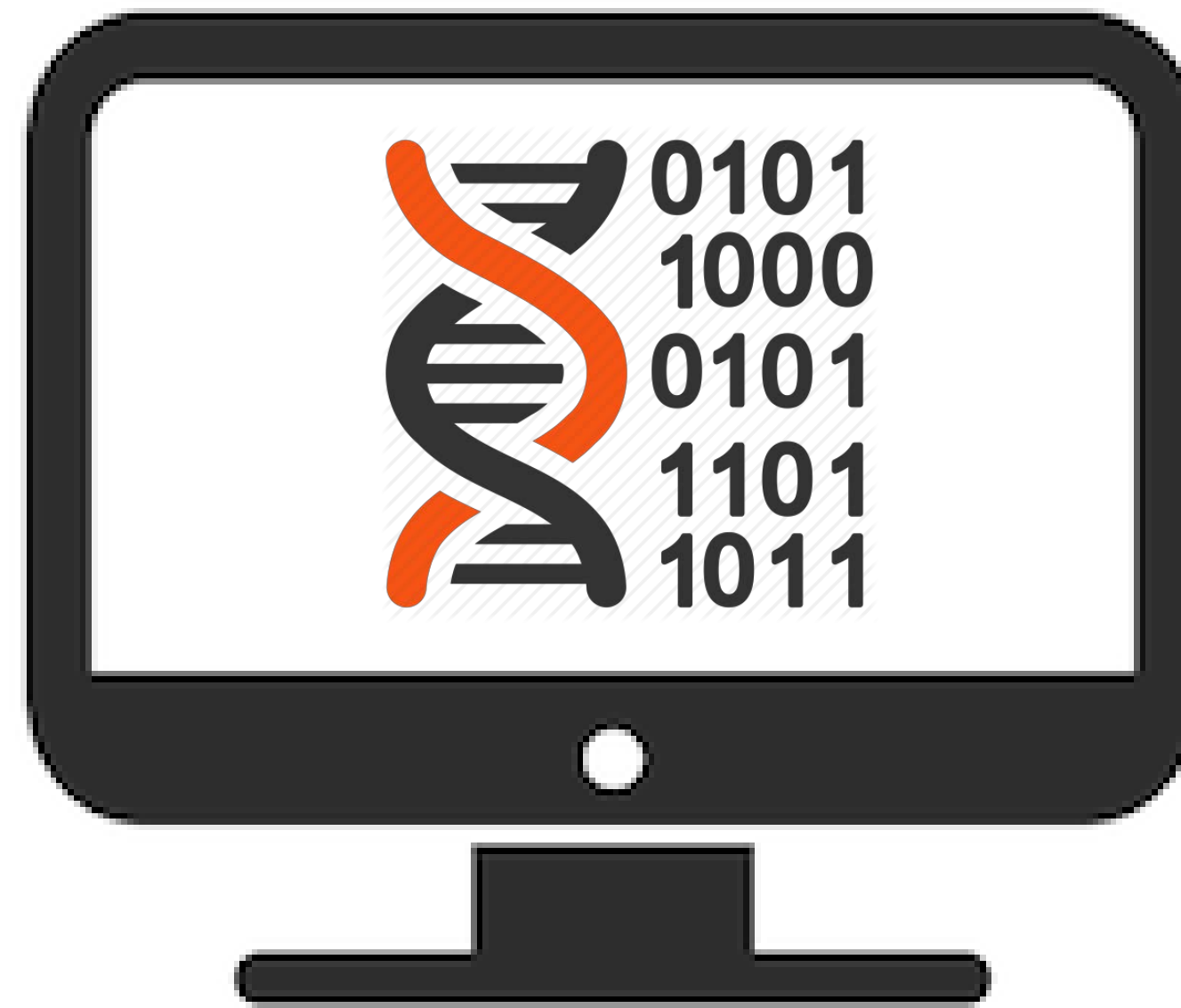
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**Visual  
Thinking  
Strategies**



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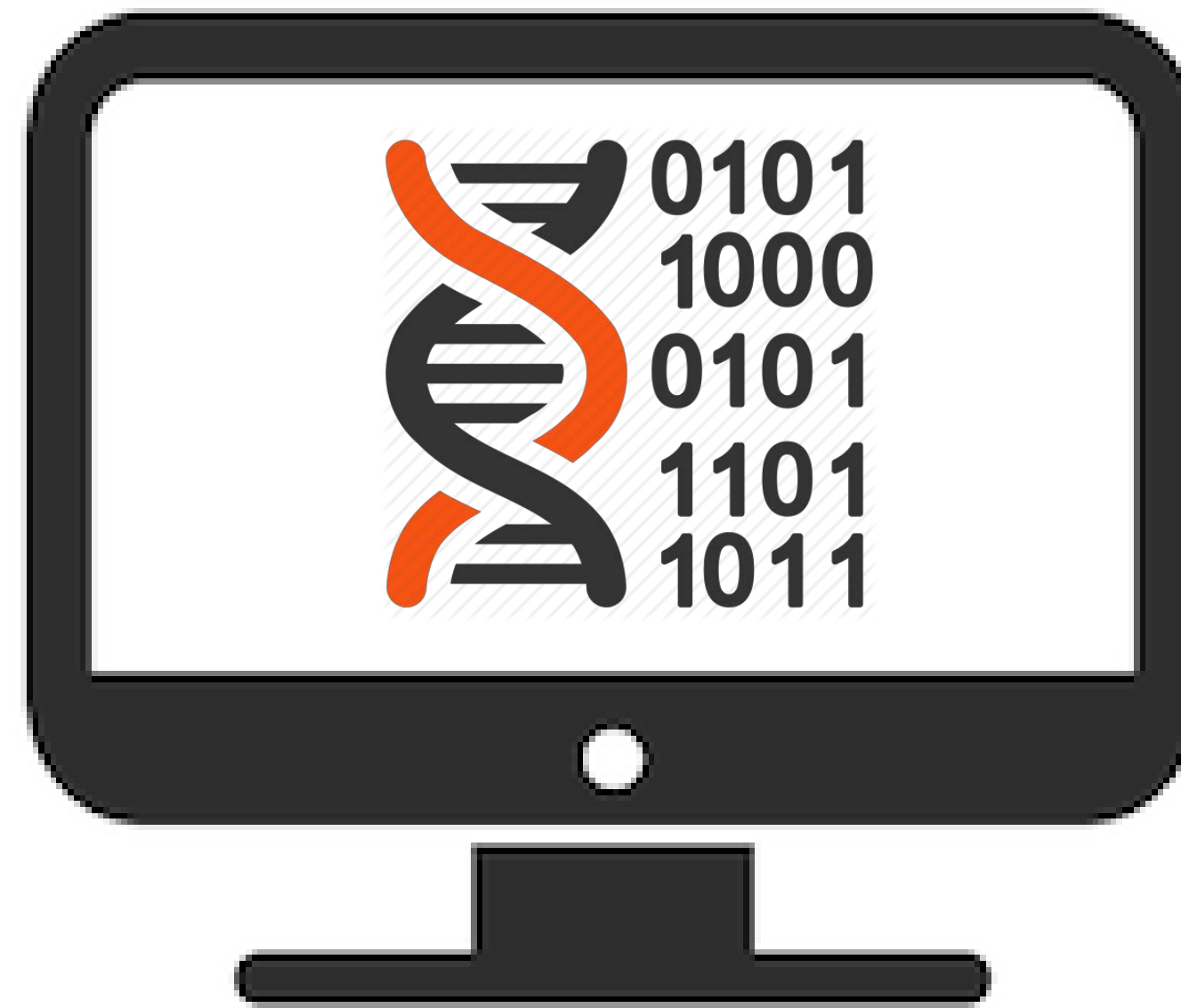
- What's going on in this picture?
- What do you see that makes you say that?
- What more can you find?



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