

### Lessons Learned from AACR Project GENIE to Inform Evidence Generation

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#### **DISCLOSURES**

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#### **Framing Comments**

Cancer is a hundreds of smaller diseases - defined by mutations.

Efficient development of precision oncology drugs requires knowledge of clinical outcomes in genomically annotated patients.

GENIE was founded on the principle that this knowledge is precompetitive, much like basic science, and should be freely accessible for drug development and drug discovery research.

Clinico-genomic data registries require stewardship to ensure responsible use of the data and protection of patient privacy.

### **TOWARD PRECISION MEDICINE**

# Building a Knowledge Network for Biomedical Research and a New Taxonomy of Disease



Committee on A Framework for Developing a New Taxonomy of Disease

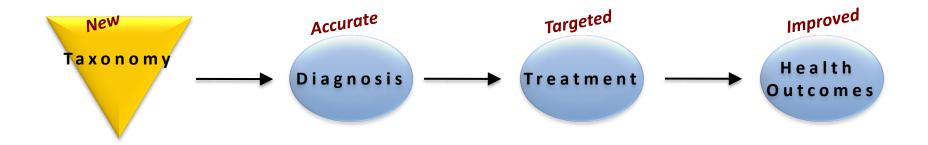
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#### **Guiding Principle**



Diagnosis is the foundation of medicine.

Accurately and precisely defining a patient's condition does not assure effective treatment, but it is unequivocally the place to start.

#### **Project GENIE Beginnings**

Launched in 2015 with startup capital from AACR

Eight cancer centers with preexisting investment in clinical sequencing infrastructure agreed to aggregate genomic and clinical data.

Harmonized the custom sequencing panels at each center on the backend (through SAGE BioNetworks)

Started with a modest number baseline clinical data elements, including uniform pathologic annotation of tumor type (using OncoTree)



#### **GENIE TODAY**



#### **GENOMICS**

- **✓ Somatic Tumor DNA**
- •Germline DNA
- -cfDNA
- RNA Sea
- Epigenetics

#### **PHENOMICS**

**Tumor type** 

**Histology** 

**Demographics** 

Vital status

**Medications** 

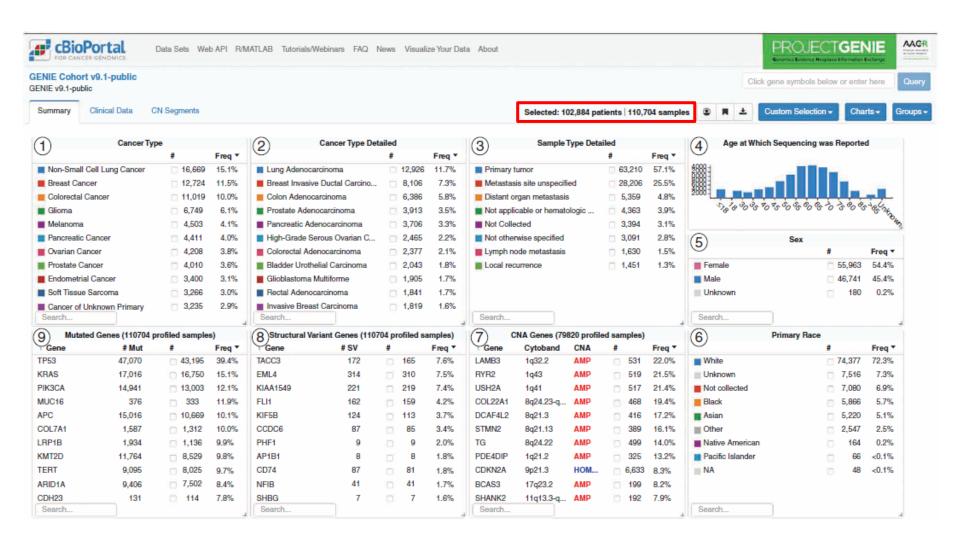
**Treatment Outcomes** 

>148,000 Sequenced Tumors 18 Cancer Centers (expanding to 22)

**Data to Drive Discoveries** 

12,584 registrants; 839 GENIE citations in pubs, abstracts, ...

## AACR Project GENIE: Open Source Genomic and Clinical Data on >148,000 Patients (and growing)



#### A few GENIE-driven vignettes...

- 1. Synthetic control cohorts for rare genotype populations
- -RAS G12C mutant lung cancer (used in registration package for sotarasib)
- -AKT mutant breast cancer
- -many others...

FDA Decision Alerts August 12, 2021

CDER-Approved NDA for LUMAKRAS™ (sotarasib)

#### **Protocols for RWE generation**

The applicant created the three natural history studies using the Flatiron Health-Foundation Medicine Clinico-Genomic Database and the AACR Project GENIE databases. The studies included patients with KRAS G12C-mutated advanced NSCLC receiving a second or later line of therapy. The studies captured real-world progression-free survival for second- (4.0 months), third- (3.1 months), and fourth-line (2.6 months) treatments. They also captured the overall survival for second- (9.5 months), third- (6.7 months), and fourth-line (5.9 months) treatments.

Characteristics and Outcome of AKT1<sup>E17K</sup>Mutant Breast Cancer Defined through AACR
Project GENIE, a Clinicogenomic Registry

Smyth et al Cancer Discov 2020; Scharpf RB et al Cancer Res 2022

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- 2. Explore race and ethnicity differences in cancer genotypes
- -tumor mutation burden
- -cancer with unknown drivers

# How to improve generalizability of clinico-genomic disease registries?

- 1. Broaden representation of non-European ethnicities in registries
  - -GENIE is adding four new sites to help address this gap
  - -initiating collaborations with other partners with diverse populations
- 2. Determine genetic ancestry from sequencing panel data
  - -comparisons with self reported race
  - -opportunities for admixture analysis
- 3. Address barriers for inclusion of individuals of non-European ancestry
  - -overcome infrastructure needed for informed consent
  - -build trust

Jung C et al, Responsible Open Source Data Sharing for Precision Oncology. In: A New Deal for Cancer: Lessons from a 50 Year War., 2021.