

# Evaluation of NGS for Companion Diagnostic Use

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#### What is Precision Medicine?

"Identify the right patient for the right drug"







Tumor Biology

Biomarkers (PD, predictive, Imaging)

Translational Medicine

# To Deliver

Better Patient Selection

Better Patient Outcomes (Efficacy/Saf) Resulting in

More efficient clinical dev

Improved Benefit/Risk

Stronger Value Proposition (for PM stakeholders)

### **Precision Medicine and Diagnostics**





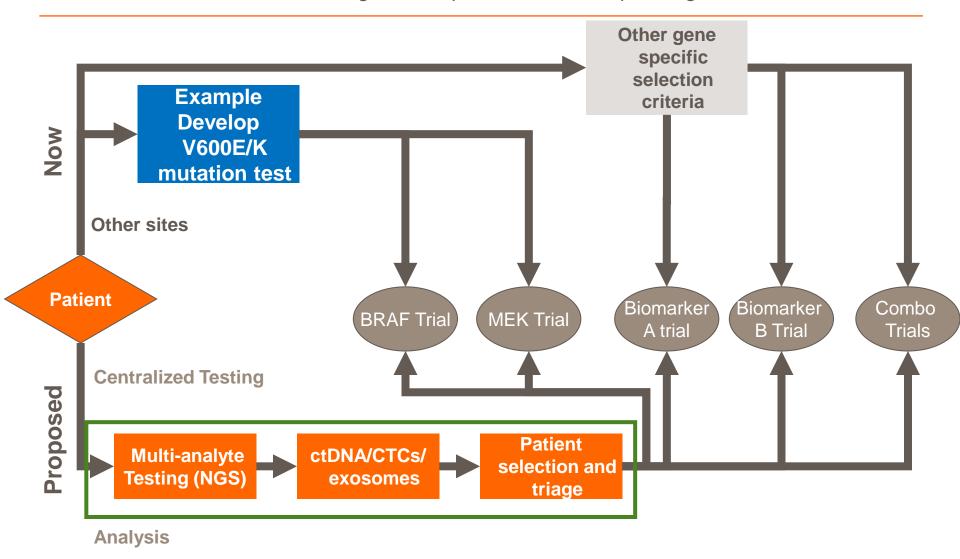
Requires excellence in biomarker discovery, patient sample collection, clinical translation and companion diagnostic development to select the right patient for the right medicine

#### Access Register Patient testing in Co-Dx the global market place to enable simultaneously with Precision access to precision medicines Medicines Selection/ Discovery Develop **Stratification** Predictive/response/ Validated assays of eligible patients safety Biomarkers to in our clinical and co-Dx support clinical studies hypothesis testing

#### **Path to Precision Medicine**



"One biomarker, one test, one drug" to multiple markers, multiple drugs



#### **Developing Targeted Agents in Cancer**

#### Key considerations





Robustness of Science

#### Tumor Heterogeneity

- Complex molecular signaling cascades
- Multiple mechanisms of resistance



Patient Population & Unmet Medical Need

#### Clinical Trial Feasibility

- Incidence/prevalence of disease
- Frequency/presence of biomarker
- Patient consent; Access to tumor tissue (e.g. biopsy)



Cutting Edge Technology

#### Diagnostic Development Capabilities

- Assay validation (e.g. sensitivity/specificity)
- Sample processing and biomarker platforms
- Multiple biomarkers



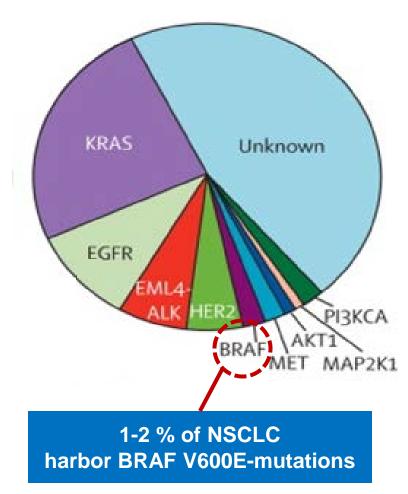
Evolving Regulatory Environment

#### Integrating Drug and Diagnostic Development

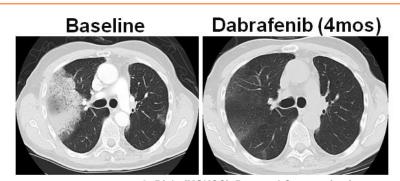
- Requirements for companion diagnostic
- Third party collaborations/partnerships
- Lack of global standards

# Challenges of Drug Development in Rare NSCLC Population

**BRAF V600E** 



- Ongoing Phase 2 study (BRF113928) in advanced BRAF V600E+ NSCLC
  - > 11,000 subjects screened to enroll
     23 patients (at interim)
- Complexity of conducting randomized Phase 3 trial in BRAF V600E+ NSCLC:
  - > 20,000 subjects to identify 300 eligible patients
  - ~14yrs projected to complete study



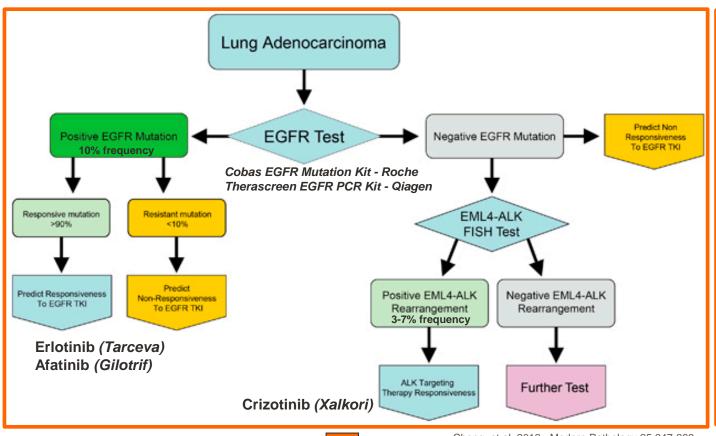
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#### **Molecular Testing Algorithm in Lung Cancer**

The conundrum of insufficient tissue





- Small size & volume of lung biopsies
- Tissue is scarce following hierarchal biomarker screening
- Physician reluctance to obtain repeat biopsies- risk of invasive procedure
- High cost associated with multiple tests



Cheng, et al. 2012. Modern Pathology 25:347-369

Screening for Clinical Trials: BRAF, ROS1, RET, HER2, MET, KRAS...

Patient Selection and cDx Development is Challenging

# Path to developing targeted agents in Lung Cancer

Path to developing targeted agents in Lung Cancer





Molecular characterization of tumors

A large proportion of lung cancers have potentially actionable mutations



Segmentation of Lung
Cancer

Develop therapeutics that target specific altered genes or pathways.



Revolutionize Drug Development

This requires patient screening/selection, novel trial designs with appropriate incorporation of diagnostic.



Deliver Products of Value

Products with greater clinical benefit in a smaller population of patients selected for a biomarker; value to PM stakeholders

### **Innovation in cDx Development**







Multiple single-plex assays and platforms

Most assays require tumor; availability limited and biopsies difficult /invasive

Regional platform availability and not large-scale

Regulatory path not well defined; lack of precedent adds complexity

Even regional commercial viability challenging

Single, multiplex assay/platform covering all biomarkers

Low sample quantity input; alternative sample type avoiding invasive procedure

Global Platform(s) accessibility

Path to global registration

Commercially viable on a global scale

# Collaborative Multi-Pharma/partner Network to Advance Multi-biomarker Diagnostics



- Engage multiple PM stakeholders
  - NCI, Academia, Advocacy, Regulatory, Payer
  - Pharma/Diagnostic
- Enable standardized, shared screening between pharma companies to make clinical development for rare mutations cost effective
- Advance the regulatory paradigm for companion diagnostics
  - Create a path for multi-biomarker panels
  - Enable the use of new sequencing technologies, including NGS
- Disseminate NGS screening to help create a market for drugs targeting rare mutations

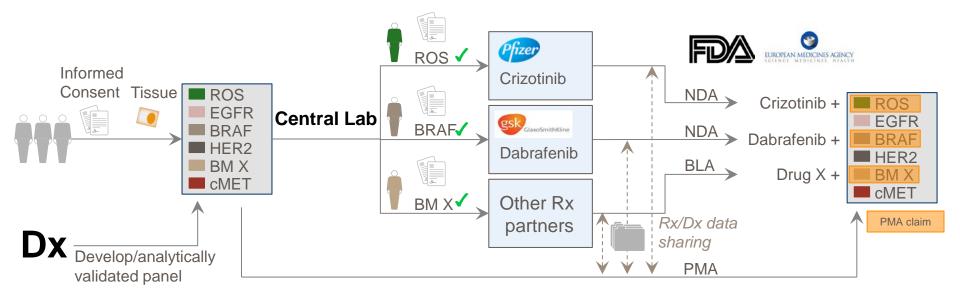
### The Approach



Master screening network for all interested pharma

**Treatment trial** 

Regulatory Rx/Dx co-approval



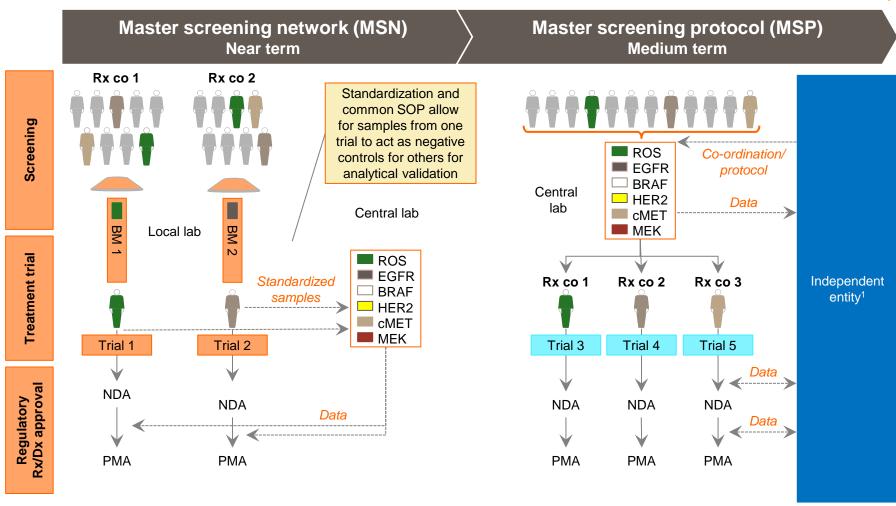
- Panel contains genes relevant to current and future assets across cancer types and pipeline
- Initial screening effort focuses on NSCLC

PMA claims to support drug approvals

Panel would be used commercially to support adoption of the Rx associated with the panel

# MSN (Network) addresses near term needs and sets stage for MSP (Protocol)





# **Assay overview: Oncomine Cancer Panel**

To detect relevant somatic alterations in solid tumors with evidence linking alterations to targeted therapies





- •The Oncomine Cancer Panel (OCP) has two versions
  - •OCP 150 validate for clinical trial use
  - •OCP 50 Validate for registration and commercialization
- •Enables detection of somatic alterations with high accuracy and precision
- Both DNA and RNA isolated from FFPE tumor specimens
- Detection of these variants will be performed using the Ion Torrent™ PGM™ Dx system

# Desired criteria to be satisfied by the NGS platform/assay



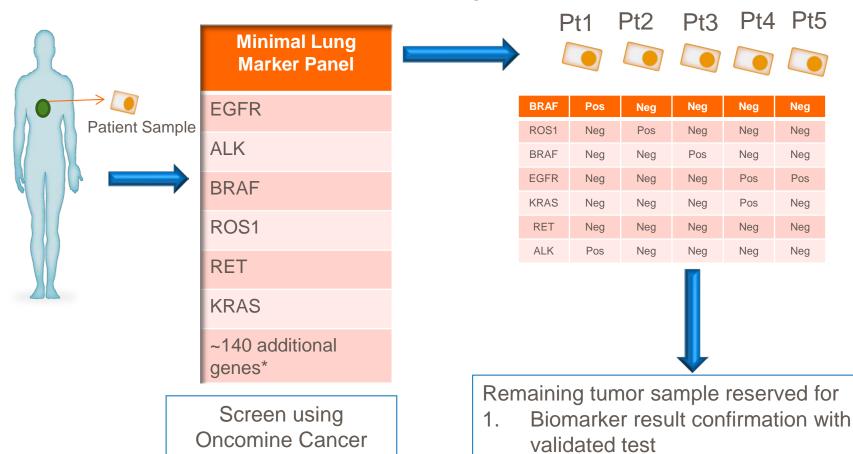
Workflow	Criteria for evaluation	<b>Desired Metrics</b>
Sample Acquisition	Sample input	•Low quantity input
Sample Prep	<ul><li>Easy to perform/minimal steps</li><li>FFPE</li><li>Approved via multiple kits</li></ul>	<ul><li>High quality DNA/RNA at good yields</li><li>Can utilize other FDA-approved kits</li></ul>
Library Prep	<ul> <li>•QA/QC, quantity assessment</li> <li>•TaT</li> <li>•Multiple or single processing</li> <li>•GC rich coverage</li> </ul>	<ul><li>•Minimal need for multiple QA steps</li><li>•Rapid TaT</li><li>•Multiple processing</li></ul>
Sequencing/detection	<ul><li>Coverage</li><li>Sensitivity</li><li>Throughput</li></ul>	<ul><li>Minimal 500X coverage</li><li>At least 5%</li><li>Multiple samples?</li></ul>
Analysis/BioInformatics	<ul><li>Speed to variant call</li><li>Mut/Indel/CNV/rearrangement</li><li>FASTQ data</li><li>Standard workflow</li></ul>	•TaT w/all possible variants in software studio
Reporting	•Statistics •User interface	•Report confidence measurement •Link to original data (e.g. BAM files)
Others	<ul><li>Sample handling</li><li>Data storage and management</li></ul>	<ul><li>Cost effective for single clinical sample</li><li>Easy and secure access, scalable</li></ul>

# Testing Paradigm: Support Patient Screening in clinical trials and cDx assay validation/development



#### <u>Testing to be performed in central reference lab(s)</u>

To serve as negative control for other biomarker validated assays



Panel

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<sup>\*</sup> NGS OCP 150 has ~150 cancer genes, OCP50 has 50 cancer genes

#### **Dx Labeling Framework**



 Scalable labeling framework is key to industry's decision to pursue development and registration of multiplex/NGS platforms

	Biomarker A	Biomarker Z (Analyte of Unknown Significance)
Type of Claim	Predictive	Analytical
Intended To Be Used for Treatment Selection	Yes	No (not outside clinical trials)
Subject to FDA Review	PMA (Quality, Analytical, Clinical)	Yes (Quality, Analytical)
Clinical Utility Data	Yes	Not at present

 Biomarker Z (AoUS) could be "upgraded" to an FDA-approved Predictive Claim after submission of additional clinical utility data and PMA review/approval

# To Enable Master Screening, we are Working with US Regulators to Establish a Novel Regulatory Framework

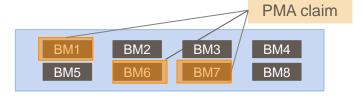
# Start by analytically validating the full panel

Then over time upgrade specific markers to predictive PMA claims using clinical trial data



NGS panel with~150 biomarkers





NGS panel

#### Aim to establish a novel approach to NGS CDx, which will require:

- Move from 'one-test, one-drug' to 'one-test, multiple drugs'
- Pushing forward despite lack of precedent in multiple areas
- Navigating novel and cutting edge approaches / technologies
- Working across CDRH and CDER to develop guidelines in a changing regulatory environment
  - Will engage other HAs
- Engaging NCI, academic KOLs and patient advocacy groups

### **Summary**



- Medicine is evolving
  - Advances in technology leads to greater data access
  - Comprehensive data in smaller samples
  - Information revolution brought to the patient at molecular level
- Enables Drug development
  - Screen multiple targets, triage patients to multiple targeted agents (e.g. Umbrella studies, NCI MATCH, LUNG MSP
- Better identification of patients eligible for treatment
  - Improved benefit/risk
  - Better clinical outcomes / better value
  - More efficient drug development
- Evolving regulatory environment

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