

IOM Genetics Workshop

Evidence Generation for Genomic Diagnostic Test Development

Health Care Provider Perspective

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A Question of Values: Is it worth it

| Patient care

- | Improved cancer outcomes, by focusing the “right therapy on the right patient”- increase chance of:**
 - | Cure**
 - | Survival**
 - | Palliation**
- | Decrease exposure to toxicity of useless therapy**

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Definitions:

Semantics Regarding Evidence for Tumor Markers

| Analytical Utility

- | Does the assay accurately and reproducibly measure what you say?**

| Clinical Validity

- | Does the assay actually identify a biologic difference (“pos” vs. “neg”) that may or may not be clinically useful?**

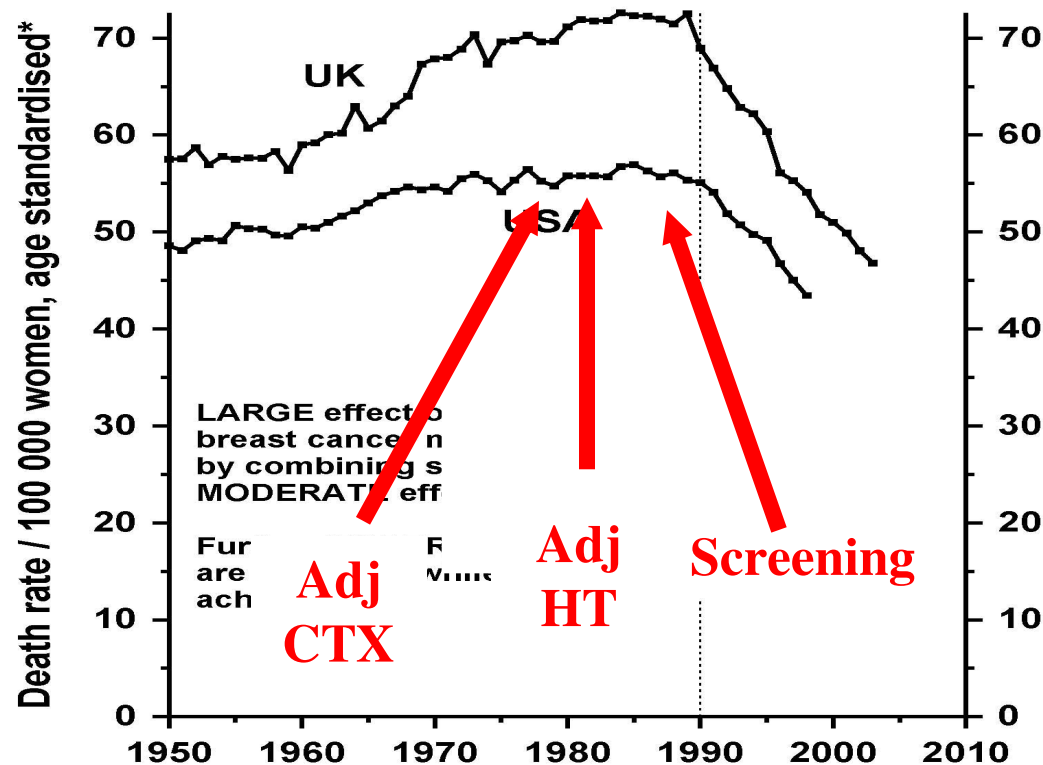
| Clinical Utility

- | Do results of the assay lead to a clinical decision that has been shown with high level of evidence to improve outcomes?**

Teutsch S.M., et al. Genet Med. 11:3-14, 2009

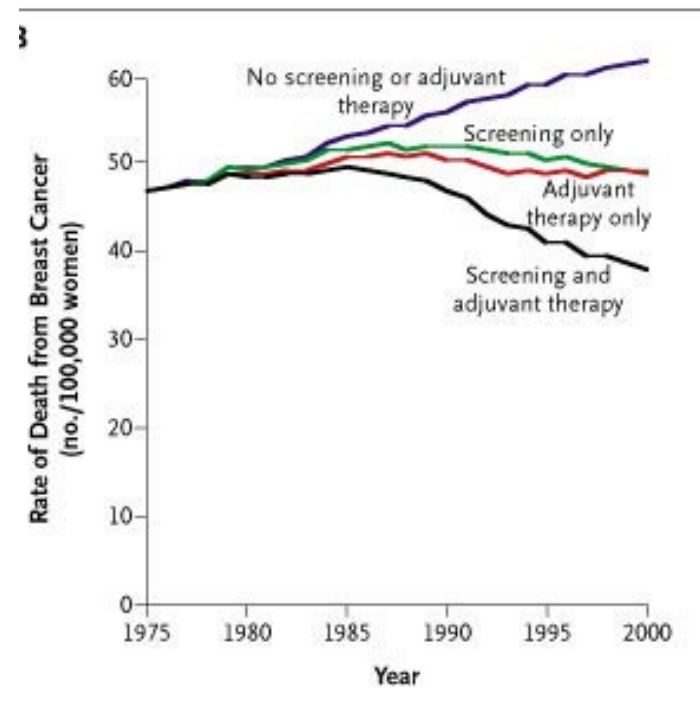
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UK/USA, 1950–2003/2: recent decrease in breast cancer mortality at ages 35–69



*Mean of annual rates in the seven component 5-year age groups

Source: WHO mortality & UN population estimates



Modified from Peto et al. *Lancet* 355:1822, 2000

Berry D.A., et al. *N Engl J Med.* 353:1784-92, 2005

Adjuvant Systemic Therapy

| **Should All Patients Receive All Therapy?**

- | If pt is willing to accept ANY toxicity for ANY benefit: *then treat her with everything*
- | If pt is willing to forego SOME benefit to avoid SOME toxicity, OR
- | If patient and society are willing to forego SOME benefit to avoid cost: *then select therapy carefully*

| **Depends on:**

- | Well -defined subgroups that do or do not benefit from therapy
- | Patient's, Doctor's, and Society's Perspectives Regarding Risks, Benefits, and Costs of Therapy

ASCO Tumor Marker Guidelines Panel

Recommended Markers for Breast Cancer

- | | |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| ER, PgR | Select Endocrine Therapy |
| HER2 | Select Trastuzumab/Lapatinib |
| UPA/PAI -1 | Avoid Chemo if ER+/Node neg |
| Oncotype DX | Avoid Chemo if ER+/Node neg |

Harris L., et al. J Clin Oncol. 2007

ASCO Tumor Marker Guidelines

- | **Why Are the Guidelines So Conservative?**
 - | Recommended only those markers for which results would change clinical decisions
 - | Evidence-based
 - | Lack of Level of Evidence I or II studies:
 - | *A Tumor Marker Utility Grading Scale*

Hayes, et al; J Nat Cancer Institute 88:1456, 1996

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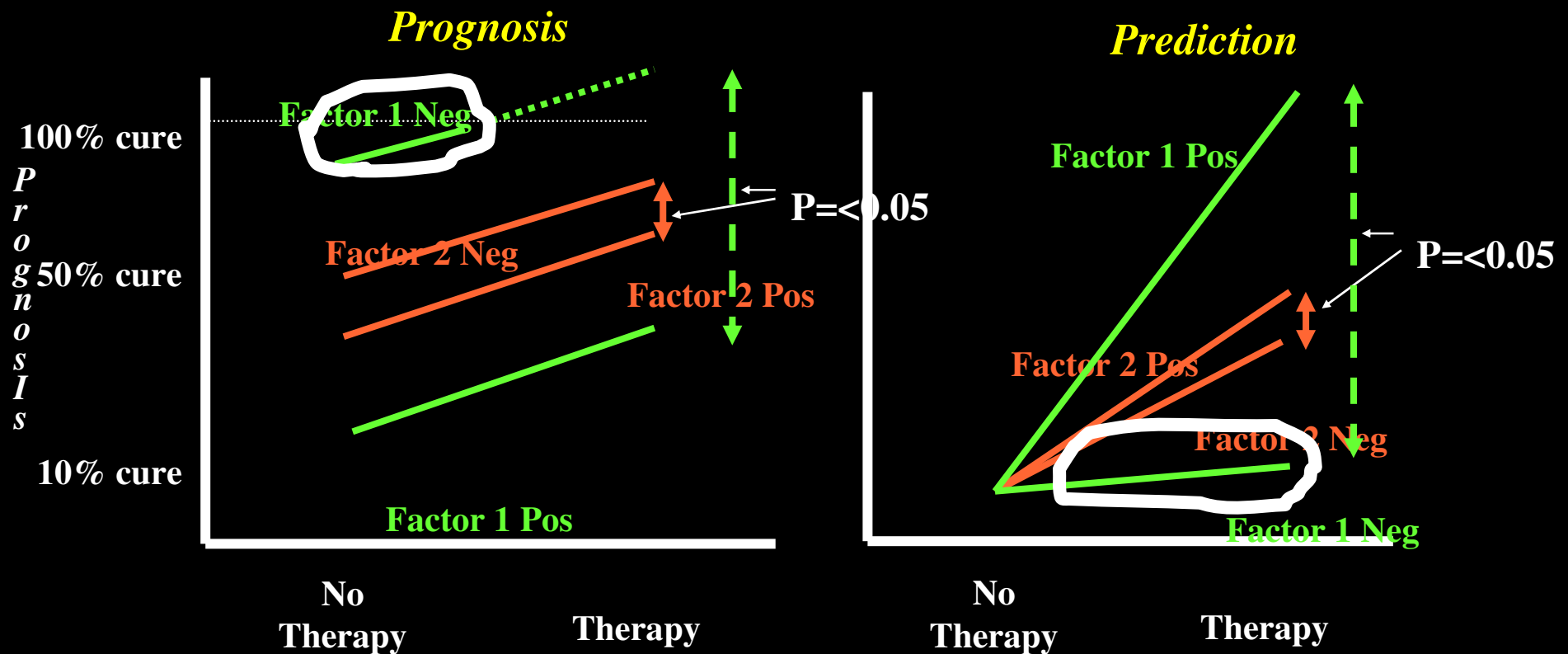
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When is a Diagnostic Clinically Useful?

- | It is either **prognostic** or **predictive** of cancer outcomes or **predicts toxicity**
- | The **magnitude** of effect is sufficiently large that clinical decisions based on the data result in outcomes that are acceptable
 - | *Greater chance for benefit*
 - | *Smaller toxicity risk*
- | The estimate of magnitude of effect is **reliable**
 - | *Assay is reproducible*
 - | *Clinical trial/marker study design is appropriate*
 - | *Results are validated in subsequent well-designed studies (Levels of Evidence I or II)*

Value of Cancer Diagnostics:

*Identify Those Patients for Whom Benefits **Do NOT** Outweigh Risks, and Therefore We Can Safely Recommend Withholding that Treatment*



Cancer Diagnostics: Why Use Them?

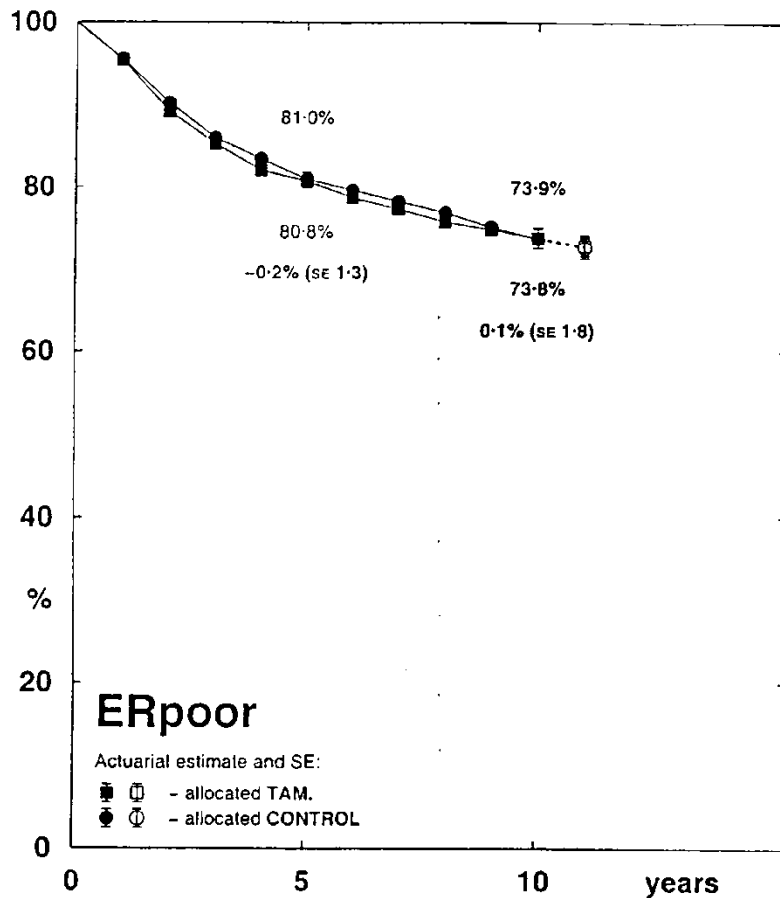
- | **Identify patients who would FOREGO or DISCONTINUE therapy to AVOID toxicities.**
- | All are exposed to cost and toxicity
 - | Some but not all “positive” patients will benefit
 - | Few if any “negative” patients will benefit

Tamoxifen vs. Not

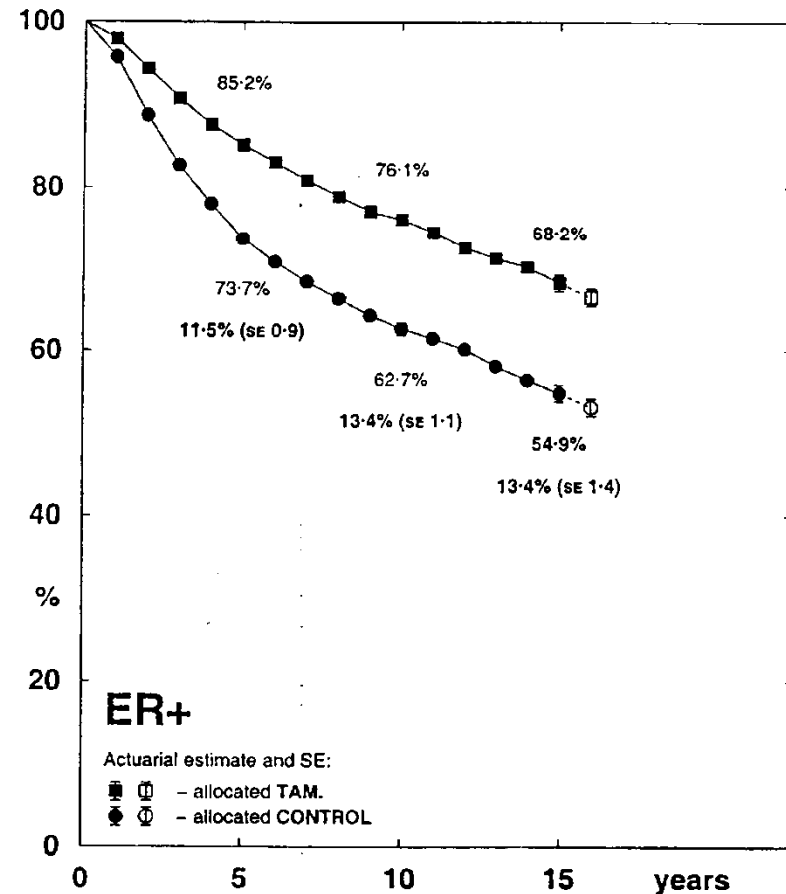
RECURRENCES

Effect of ER

POOR



POSITIVE



Early Breast Cancer Trialists' Collaborative Group. Lancet. 365:1687-717, 2005

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| *Freidlin B., et al. J Natl Cancer Inst. 102:152-60, 2010*

| At present, very few such trials are ongoing in N.A.

| *For example, in breast cancer, there are 3:*

<u>Trial</u>	<u>Disease Status</u>	<u>Test</u>	<u>Num pts</u>
TailorRx accrued	Adj Breast	21-gene RS	~6500 Fully
S0500	Met Breast Ongoing	CellSearch	~120

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| *Is a Prospective Trial Always Necessary For Marker Utility?*

| *NO!** But use of archived tissue must be done with rigor***

| *Simon R.M., Paik S, Hayes DF. JNCI 101:1446-52, 2009*

Use of Archived Tissues To Determine Clinical Utility of Tumor Markers

<u>Category</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>
Trial Design	Prospective	Prospective using archived samples	Prospective /observational	Retrospective/observational
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Specimen collection, processing, and archival	Specimens collected, processed and assayed for specific marker in real time	Specimens collected, processed, and archived prospectively using generic SOPs. Assayed after trial completion.	Specimens collected, processed, and archived prospectively using generic SOPs. Assayed after trial completion.	Specimens collected, processed and archived with no prospective SOPs
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Undervalue of Tumor Markers: Multi-factoral

- | **Tumor Marker Research is not perceived to be as exciting or important as new therapeutics, especially the clinical component**
 - | **Less Academic credit**
 - | **Breast Cancer Steering Committee Review of New Concept:**
 - | **“of course, the secondary randomization to “new drug” is the exciting part”**
 - | **Less Funding**
 - | **Cancer Center Support Grants:**
 - | **“lack of investigator initiated THERAPEUTIC Trials is significant weakness”**
 - | **Less Rigor**
 - | **Less evidence required for clinical use**
 - | **FDA**
 - | **Guidelines Panels**
 - | **Less QC/QA/Proficiency testing (test dependent)**
 - | **Less reimbursement**

Undervalue of Tumor Markers: A Vicious Cycle

Marker Utility is Poorly Valued

Poor Level of Reimbursement

**Less Certainty of Data;
Less Value for Tumor Marker Clinical Utility
Few Recommendations for Clinical Use**

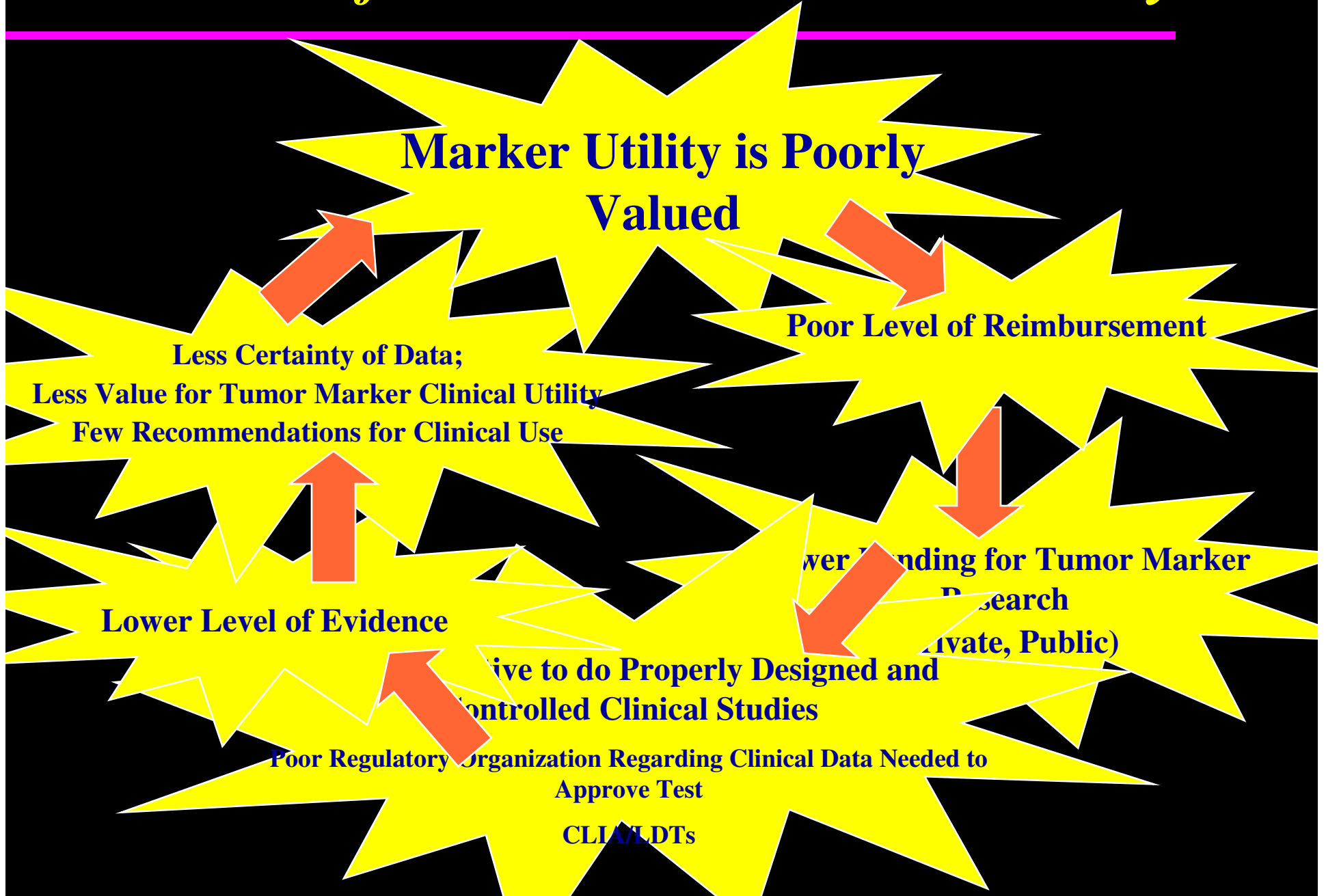
**Lower Funding for Tumor Marker Research
(Private, Public)**

Lower Level of Evidence

**Incentive to do Properly Designed and
Controlled Clinical Studies**

**Poor Regulatory Organization Regarding Clinical Data Needed to
Approve Test**

CLIA/LDTs



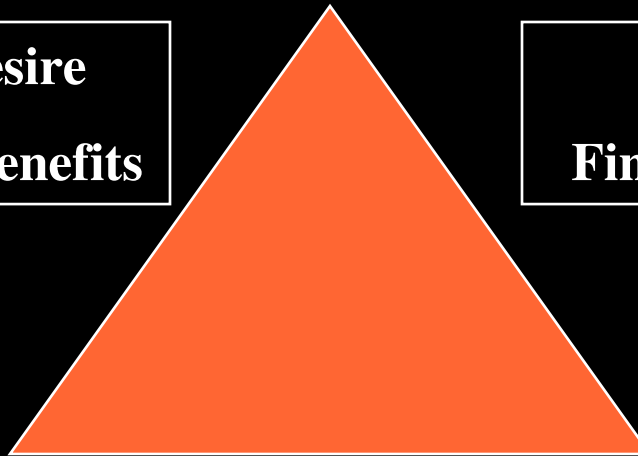
Acceptance of Tumor Markers: Balance of Carrots and Sticks

**Rapid
Clinical
Acceptance**

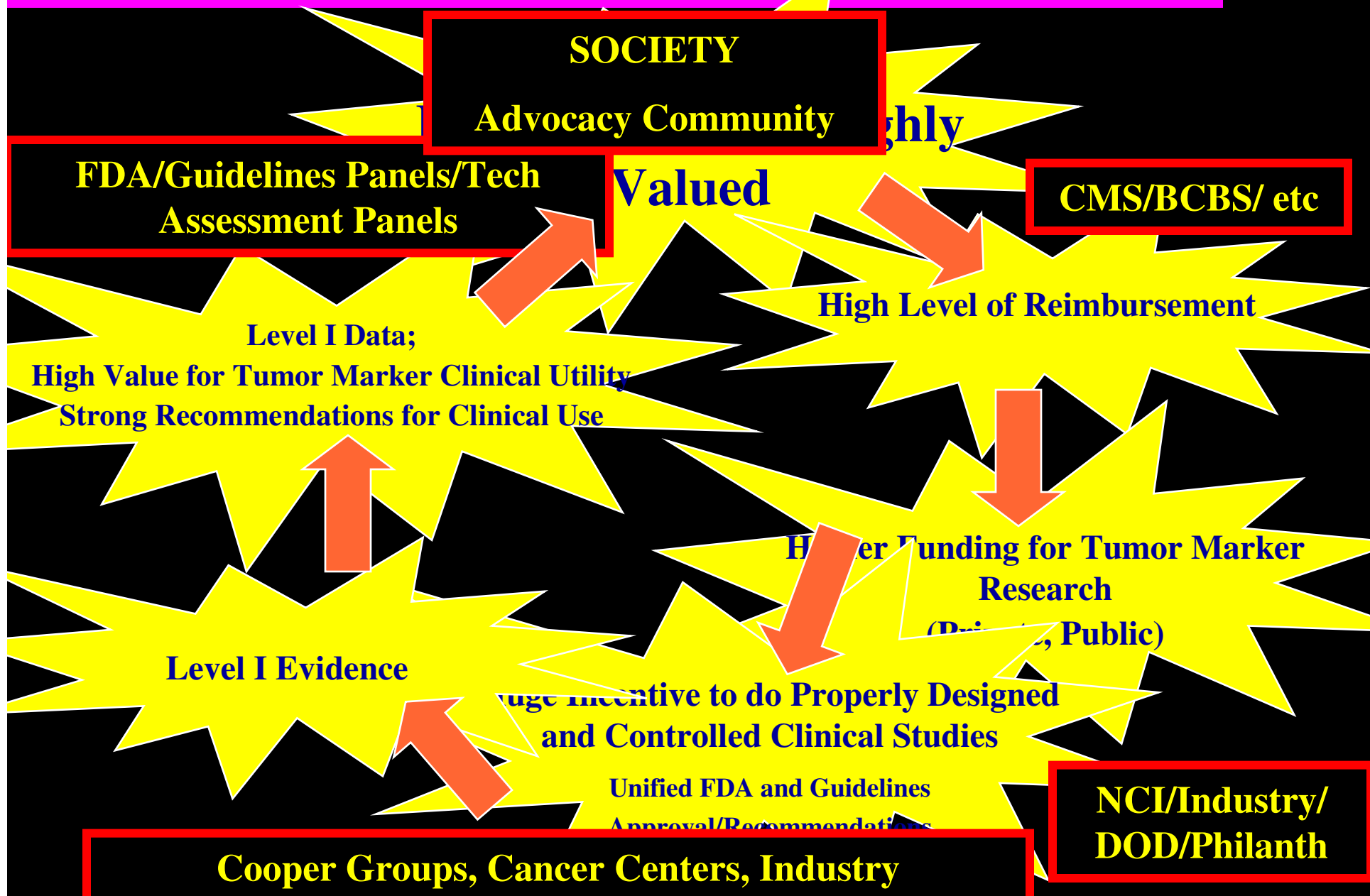
**Validated
Clinical
Utility**

**Patient and clinician desire
Financial and academic benefits**

**LOE I studies
Financial burden/Low Payoff**



Highly Valued Tumor Markers: A Virtuous Cycle

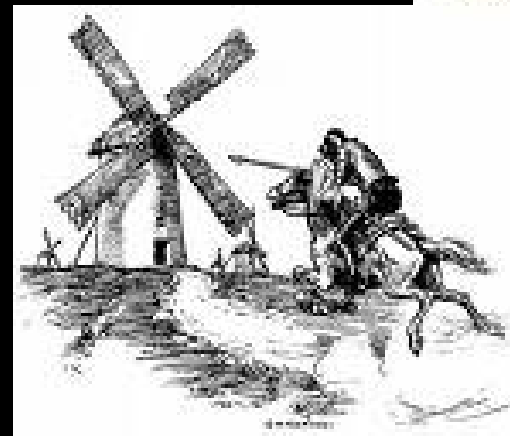


Increase Value of Tumor Markers: Proposals

- | **Recom'ns for clinical tumor marker use be evidence-based for clinical utility**
- | **Increase reimbursement for tumor markers IF clinical utility**
- | **Increase funding for tumor marker research = to that for therapeutics.**
- | **Reform regulatory review of tumor markers.**
 - | **Organize “Oncologic Product Line” including ODAC and OIVD**
 - | **FDA criteria should require analytical validity and clinical utility**
 - | **Eliminate laboratory developed test discretion**
 - | **Require new drug registration trials have biospecimen bank**
- | **Enhance academic credit for tumor marker studies**
- | **Increase rigor of tumor marker publications (several publications-REMARK, etc) = Therapeutic Trials**

Thanks to Many Colleagues

- **ASCO TM Guidelines Committee**
- **Richard Schilsky; U. Chicago**
- **Doug Blayney; U. Michigan**
- **Steve Gutman; Formerly FDA, now U. Central Florida**
- **Finley Austin; Roche Diagnostics**
- **Craig Henderson; U.C.S.F.**
- **Richard Simon; NCI**
- **Steve Shak; GHI**
- **Gerry Doyle; Immunicon/Veridex**
- **Robert McCormack; Veridex**
- **Ted Lawrence, Gary Lyman, Cindy Stephens, Mark Somerfield; ASCO**
- **Jeff Allen; FOCR**
- **COBRA: David Flockhart, Vered Stearns, James Rae, others**



Tamoxifen and 2D6: Case Study

| Theoretical Background:

- | Tamoxifen may be a pro-drug**
- | Parent is weak SERM**
- | Tamoxifen is metabolized to two active moieties:**
 - | 4-hydroxy tamoxifen**
 - | 4-hydroxy N-desmethyl tamoxifen (Endoxifen)**

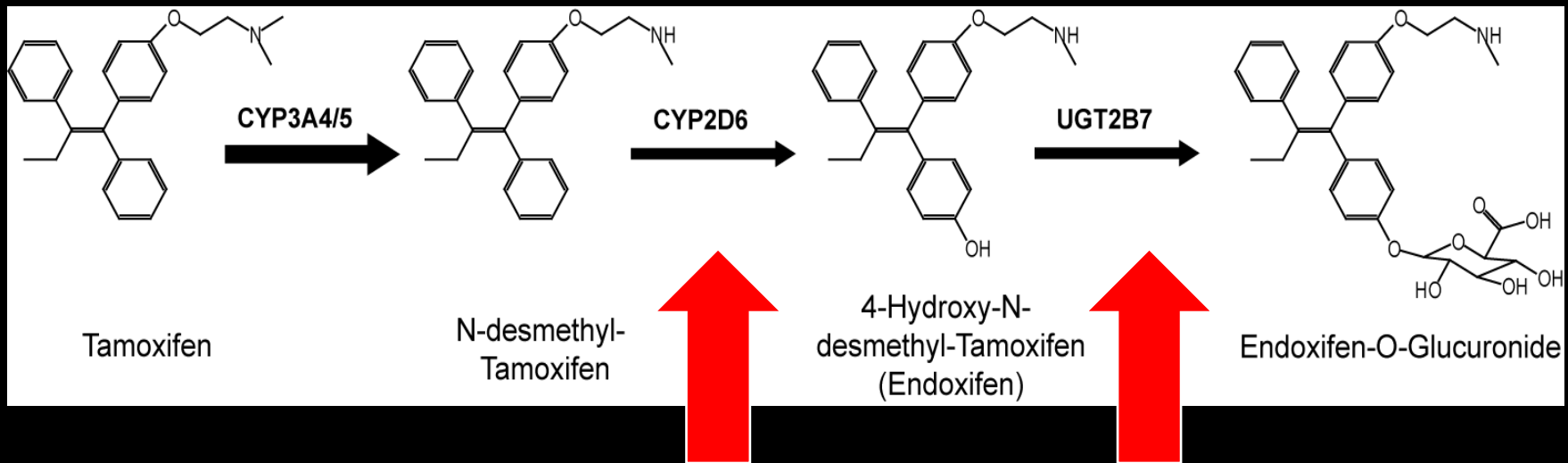
Tamoxifen is Activated and Inactivated by Polymorphic Enzymes

Weak anti-E2

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Potent anti-E2

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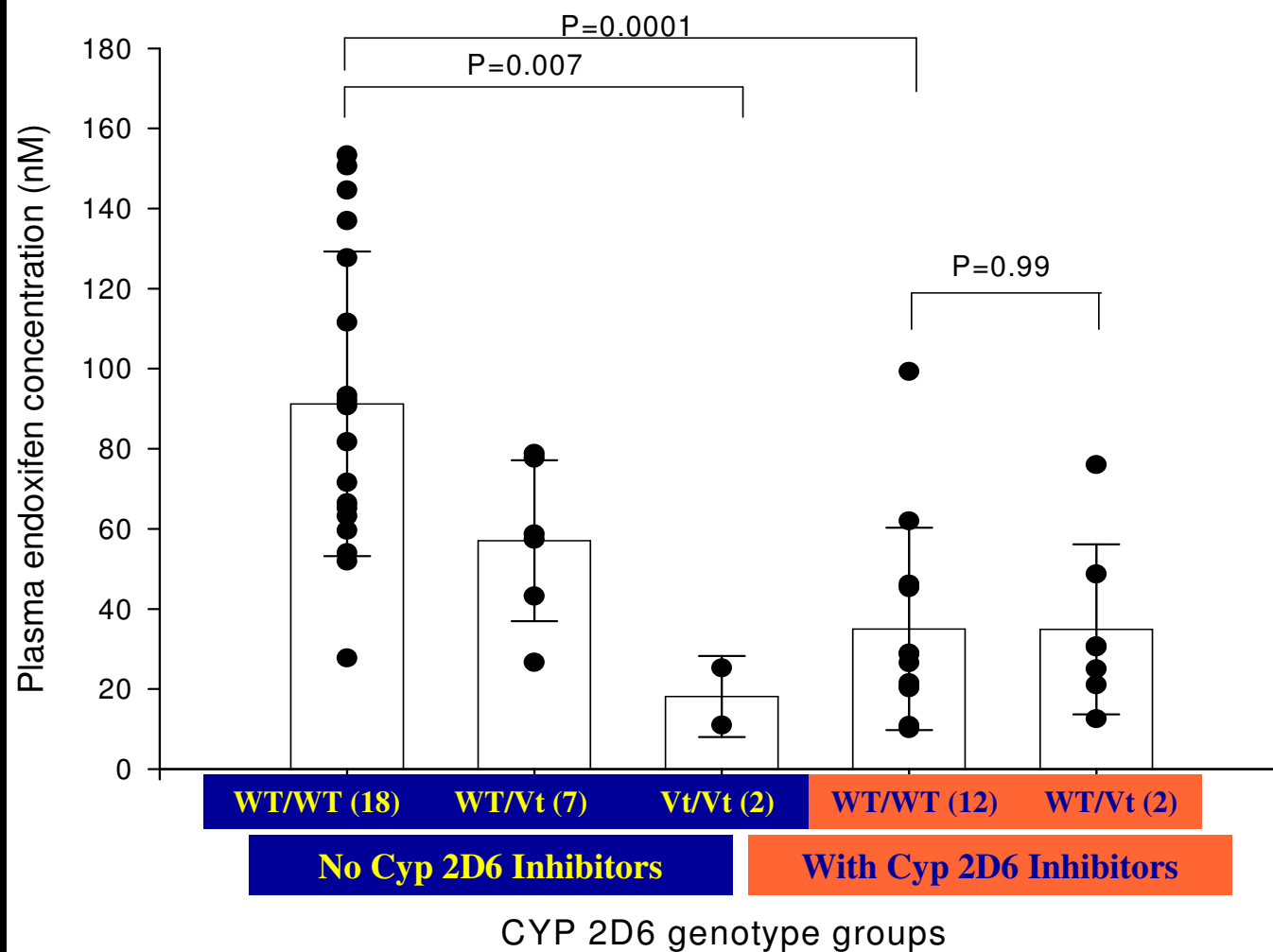


Known Genetic Variants

Rae, J.M.

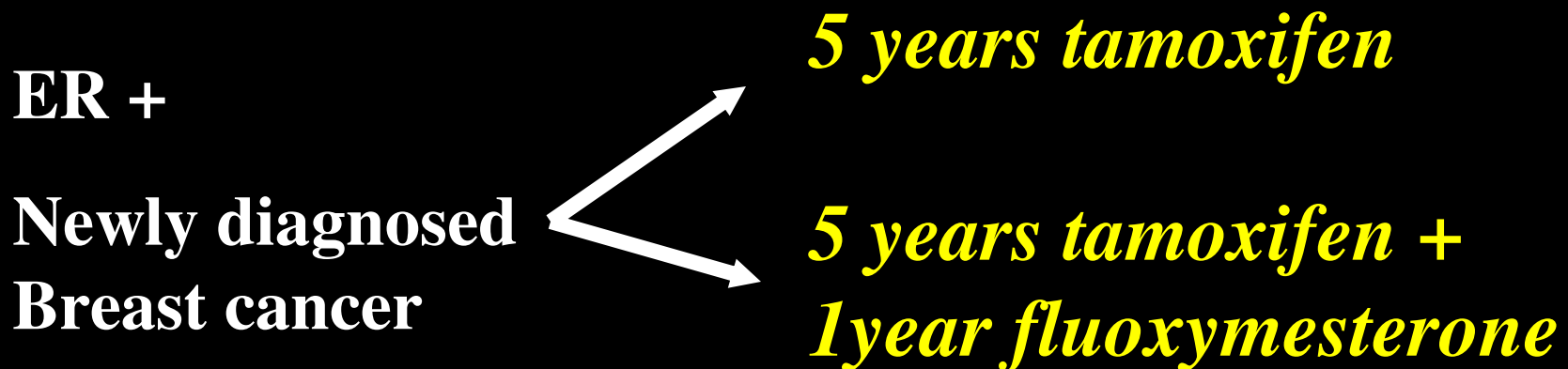
CYP2D6 variant genotype and CYP2D6 inhibitors lower Endoxifen Concentrations

Figure 3



Jin et al; JNCI
97:30, '05

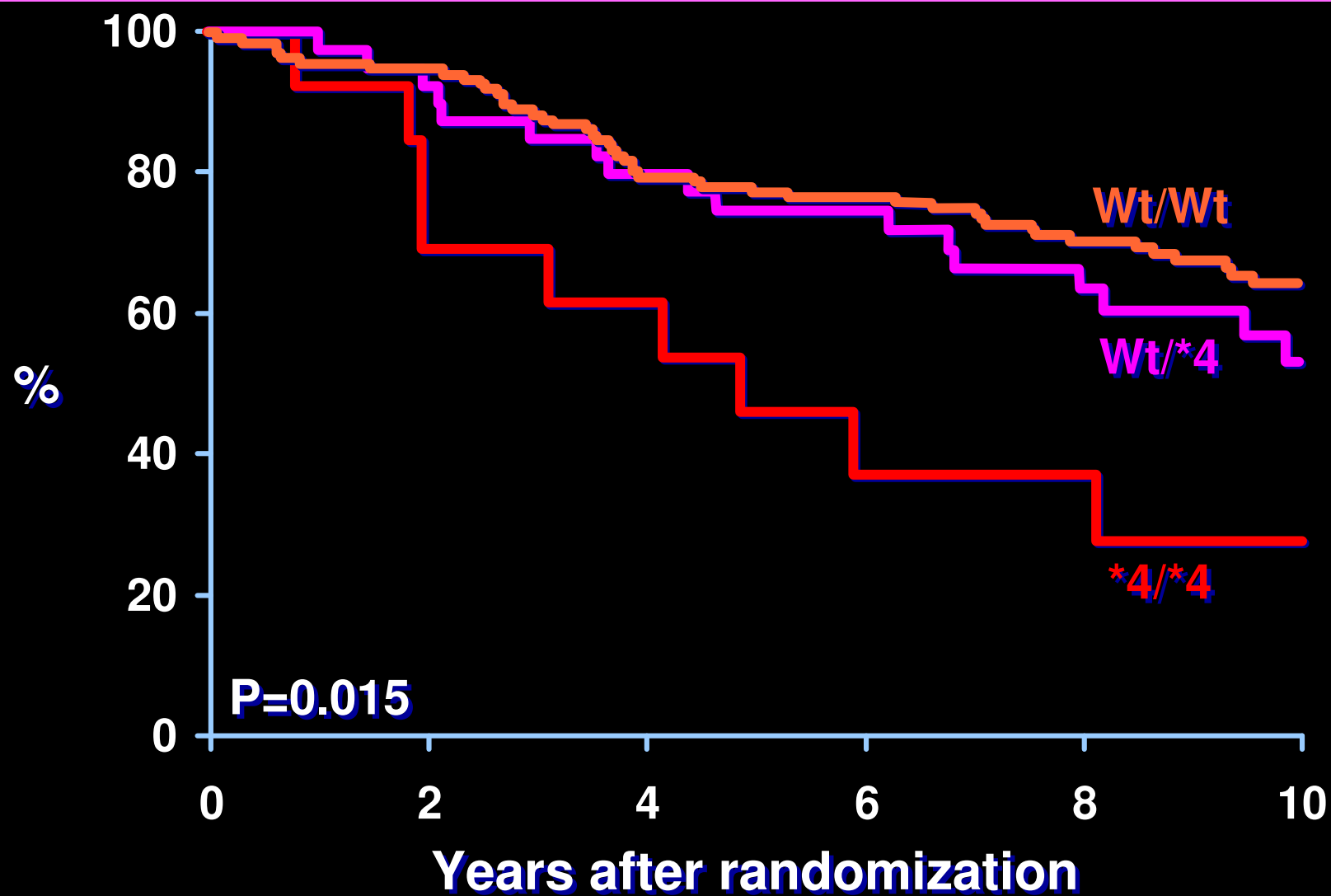
North Central Cancer Treatment Group Adjuvant Breast Cancer Trial



OVERALL: *no difference in DFS or OS for addition of
fluoxymesterone to tamoxifen*

Ingle JN, et al. Cancer 67:886-891, 1991

*Disease-Free Survival (CYP2D6 *4)*



Goetz, MP, et al. J Clin Oncol. 23:9312, 2005

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CYP2D6 pharmacogenomics: Discordant Results

***Swedish study-postoperative radiotherapy vs. adjuvant chemo,
w/ (n=112) or w/o (n=114) 40 mg tamoxifen for 2yrs***

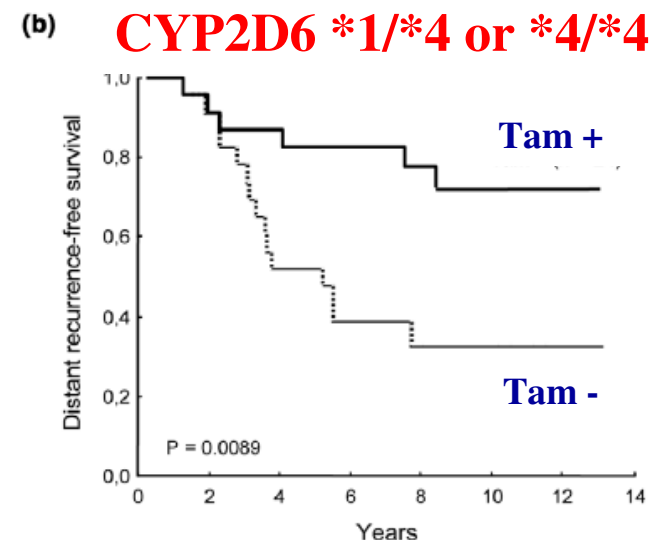
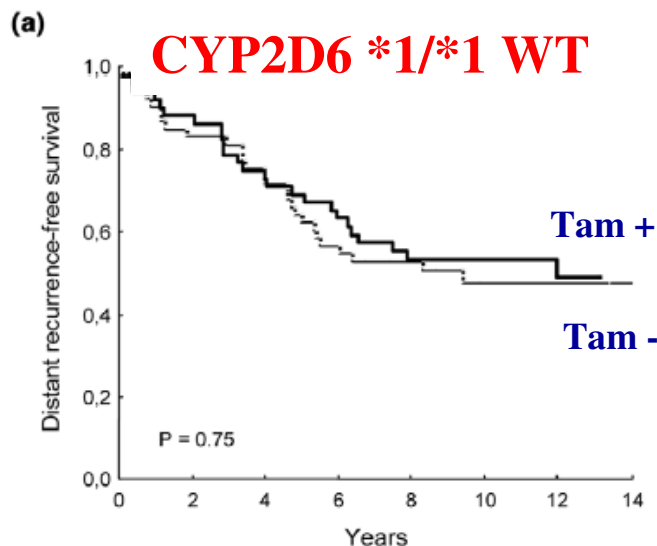
Available online <http://breast-cancer-research.com/content/7/3/R284>

Research article

Open Access

Genotype of metabolic enzymes and the benefit of tamoxifen in postmenopausal breast cancer patients

Pia Wegman¹, Linda Vainikka¹, Olle Stål², Bo Nordenskjöld², Lambert Skoog³, Lars-Erik Rutqvist⁴ and Sten Wingren¹



Just the opposite of expected!!

CYP2D6 and Tamoxifen

- | *Since original Goetz paper at least 15 separate studies suggesting that for women taking tamoxifen for prevention or treatment of breast cancer:*
 - | That CYP2D6 var/var OR inhibitors = **WORSE** outcome
 - | That CYP2D6 has **NOTHING to do** with outcome
 - | That CYP2D6 = **BETTER** outcome

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Tamoxifen PKG

| Definitive Validation Studies and New Directions

- | Int Tam Pharm Coal (*SABCS 2009: **No interaction***)
- | ATAC SABCS 2010
- | BIG98 SABCS 2010
- | NSABP P1 and P2 SABCS 2010
- | UK Prev'n tam vs plac Completed
- | Baylor (pop'n based) SABCS 2010
- | IES Work in Progress
- | E3108 Prosp trial/metastatic ER Pos
 - | Metabolism
 - | Distribution
 - | ER pathway/co-activators/repressors

Total >9,000 patients

Tumor Marker eVALUation

| What is the problem?

There appears to be an Inconsistent/Unclear path to clinical acceptance:

| FDA criteria for clearance/approval may not consider specific clinical utility-

- | FDA clearance does not mean an assay should be used clinically**

| Laboratory Developed Tests (LBT): Home Brew “rule”-

- | An assay can be marketed without FDA clearance**

| Disagreement about what outcomes need to be improved, and how to measure them-

- | There is a disconnect among Guidelines Panels and between them and FDA**

| Low reimbursement-

- | Entrepreneurs cannot afford to develop new markers if cost of doing so is substantially increased**

Increase Value of Tumor Markers: Proposals

- | **Increase research \$\$ for clinical trials directed towards markers**
 - | Clinical trials in which marker is primary objective of study
 - | Clinical trials in which marker is secondary endpoint
 - | Co-development; *or at the least-*
 - | Collection and storage of specimens in association with PRCTs
- | **Consolidate all Oncology Regulatory activities within FDA**
 - | Create an “ODAC”-like committee for tumor markers
- | **Maintain CLIA as mediator of QA/QC; but eliminate “home brew” designation**
 - | All LDTs? Selected assays? New assays?
- | **Have FDA stipulate that no registry trial be accepted without prospective plan for specimen bank:**
 - | Prospective co-development plan; *or at the least-*
 - | Collection/storage
 - | Transparent system to access specimens
 - | Independent peer review
 - | Adequate IP protection
- | **Increase rigor of tumor marker approval to meet all criteria needed for clinical adoption of a tumor marker**
 - | Several Publications
- | **Increase reimbursement commensurate with increased rigor in approval process (as for therapeutics)**
- | **Fundamentally change method of care-giver reimbursement, so that doctors get paid for doing the right thing, and not for recommending their “gimmick”**