

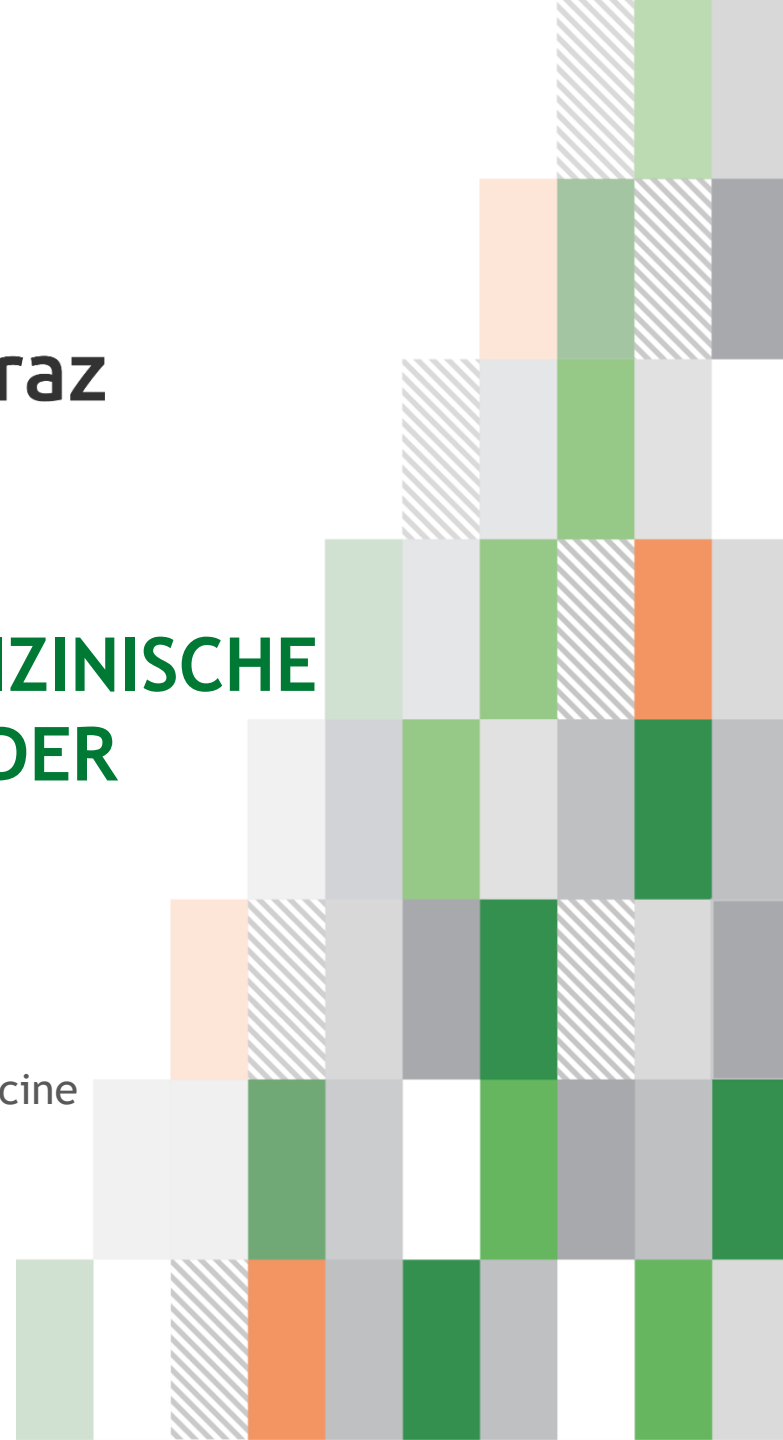


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WISSENSCHAFTLICHE UND MEDIZINISCHE RELEVANZ VON STANDARDS IN DER DIAGNOSTIK

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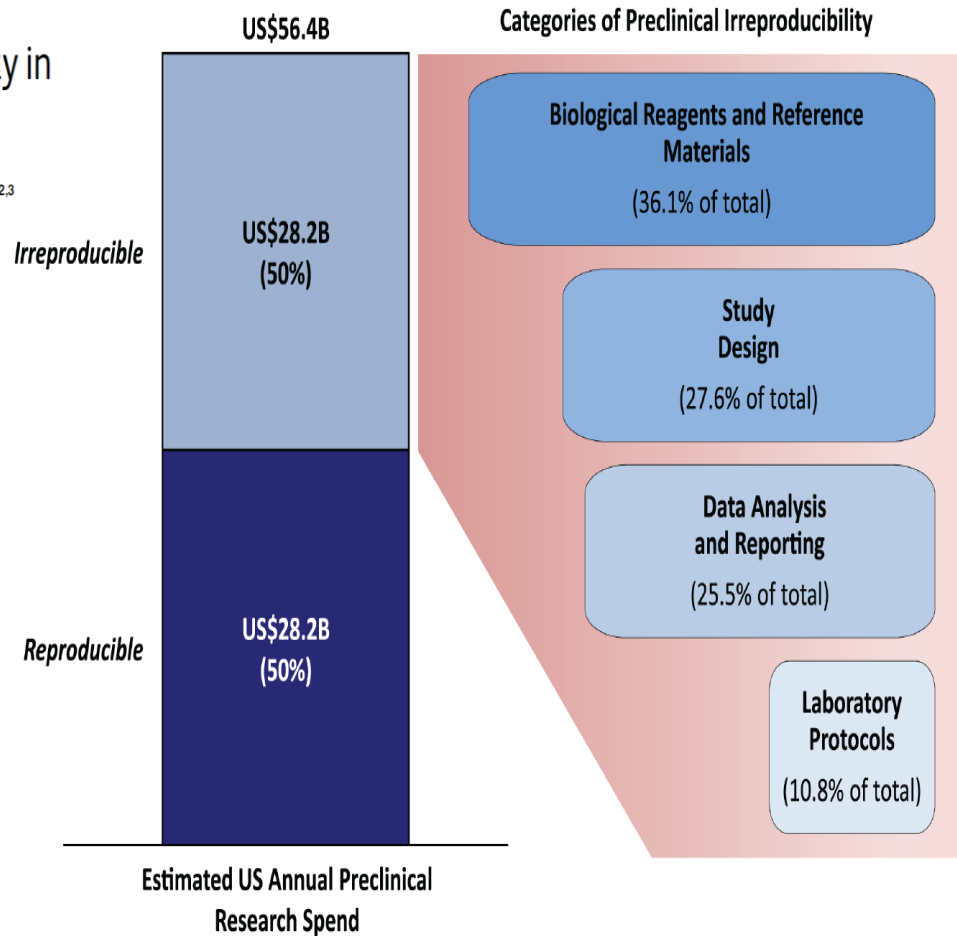


Data Reproducibility: Causes and Economic Impact

PERSPECTIVE

The Economics of Reproducibility in Preclinical Research

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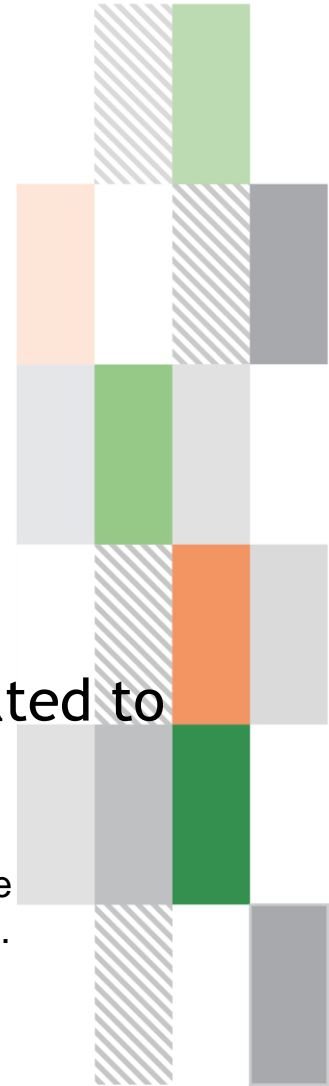
Impact of Errors in Medical Diagnostics

- 46% - 68% of diagnostic testing process errors
- are in the pre-analytical phase

Plebani M, Clin Chem Lab Med. 2006

- 5 percent of U.S. adults experience a diagnostic error
- 10 percent of patient deaths can be attributed to diagnostic errors
- 6 to 17 percent of adverse events in hospitals are related to diagnostic errors

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Improving Diagnosis in Health Care
The National Academy of Sciences.



Companion Diagnostics: A rapidly growing list (FDA)



DRUG	DISEASE	TARGET	BIOSAMPLE	ASSAY
ado-trastuzumab emtansine	Breast cancer	HER2	DNA/protein from FFPE tissue	IHC/FISH
ado-trastuzumab emtansine	Gastric cancer	HER2	DNA/protein from FFPE tissue	IHC/FISH
afatinib	NSCLC	EGFR	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS/PCR
alectinib	NSCLC	ALK	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS
ceritinib	NSCLC	ALK	DNA/Protein from FFPE tissue	NGS/IHC
cetuximab (1)	CRC	EGFR	Protein in FFPE tissue	IHC
cetuximab (2)	mCRC	KRAS	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS/PCR
cobimetinib+ vemurafenib	Melanoma	BRAF	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS
crizotinib	NSCLC	ALK	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS/FISH
crizotinib	NSCLC	ROS1	RNA from FFPE tissue	NGS
crizotinib	NSCLC	ALK	Protein/DNA in FFPE tissue	IHC
dabrafenib	Melanoma	BRAF	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS/PCR
dabrafenib+trametinib	NSCLC	BRAF	DNA/RNA from FFPE tissue	NGS
deferasirox	Thalassemia	Iron	Liver imaging	MRI
enasidenib	AML	IDH2	DNA from blood or bone marrow	PCR
Erlotinib	NSCLC	EGFR	DNA from FFPE tissue or cfDNA from blood	PCR/NGS
gefitinib	NSCLC	EGFR	DNA from FFPE tissue	PCR/NGS
imatinib mesylate	GIST	c-Kit	Protein in FFPE tissue	IHC
imatinib mesylate	MDS, MPD	PDGFRB	Fresh bone marrow	FISH
imatinib mesylate	ASM	c-Kit	Fresh bone marrow	PCR
midostaurin	AML	FLT3	DNA from blood or bone marrow	PCR
nilotinib	CML	BCR-ABL1	RNA from blood	RT-PCR
olaparib	Breast cancer	BRCA1/2	DNA from blood	PCR, Sanger seq.
osimertinib	NSCLC	EGFR	DNA from FFPE tissue or cfDNA from blood	PCR/NGS
panitumumab (1)	CRC	EGFR	Protein in FFPE tissue	IHC
panitumumab (2)	CRC	KRAS	DNA from FFPE tissue	PCR
panitumumab (3)	mCRC	KRAS/NRAS	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS
pembrolizumab	NSCLC/gastric or GEJ Adenoca.	PD-L1	FFPE tissue	IHC
pertuzumab	Breast cancer	HER2/NEU	DNA/protein from FFPE tissue	NGS/IHC/FISH
rucaparib	Ovarian cancer	BRCA1/2	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS
trametinib	Melanoma	BRAF	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS/PCR
trastuzumab	Breast , Gastric Ca	HER2/NEU	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS/FISH/IHC/CISH
vemurafenib	Melanoma	BRAF	DNA from FFPE tissue	NGS/PCR
venetoclax	CLL	LSI TP53	blood	FISH



Regulatory Requirements for IVD in EU



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REGULATION (EU) 2017/746 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

of 5 April 2017

on *in vitro* diagnostic medical devices and repealing Directive 98/79/EC and Commission Decision 2010/227/EU

In force since May 26th 2017

To be applied to all diagnostics on the market and put into service (by manufacturer and lab-developed tests) from May 26th 2022

80% of all diagnostics on market are expected to require additional data

- Scientific evidence
- Analytical performance (incl. pre-analytics)
- Clinical performance



Sample Quality Requirements for Performance Testing

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**Needs
biosamples with
defined pre-
analytical quality**

6.1. Information on analytical performance of the device

6.1.1. Specimen type

This Section shall describe the different specimen types that can be analysed, including their stability such as storage, where applicable specimen transport conditions and, with a view to time-critical analysis methods, information on the timeframe between taking the specimen and its analysis and storage conditions such as duration, temperature limits and freeze/thaw cycles.

6.1.2. Analytical performance characteristics

Compliance with IVDR is Mandatory also for LDT for Pathology from 2022

Article 5.

With the exception of the relevant **general safety and performance requirements set out in Annex I**, the requirements of this Regulation shall not apply to devices manufactured and used only within health institutions established in the Union, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

- (a) the devices are **not transferred to another legal entity**;
- (b) manufacture and use of the devices occur under appropriate quality management systems;
- (c) the laboratory of the health institution is **Compliant with standard EN ISO 15189** or where applicable national provisions, including national provisions regarding accreditation;
- (d) the health institution justifies in its documentation that the target patient group's specific needs cannot be met, or cannot be met at the appropriate level of performance by an **equivalent device available on the market**;
- (e) the health institution **provides information upon request** on the use of such devices to its competent authority, which shall include a justification of their manufacturing, modification and use;

ISO Standards and CEN/TS for Pre-examination Processes



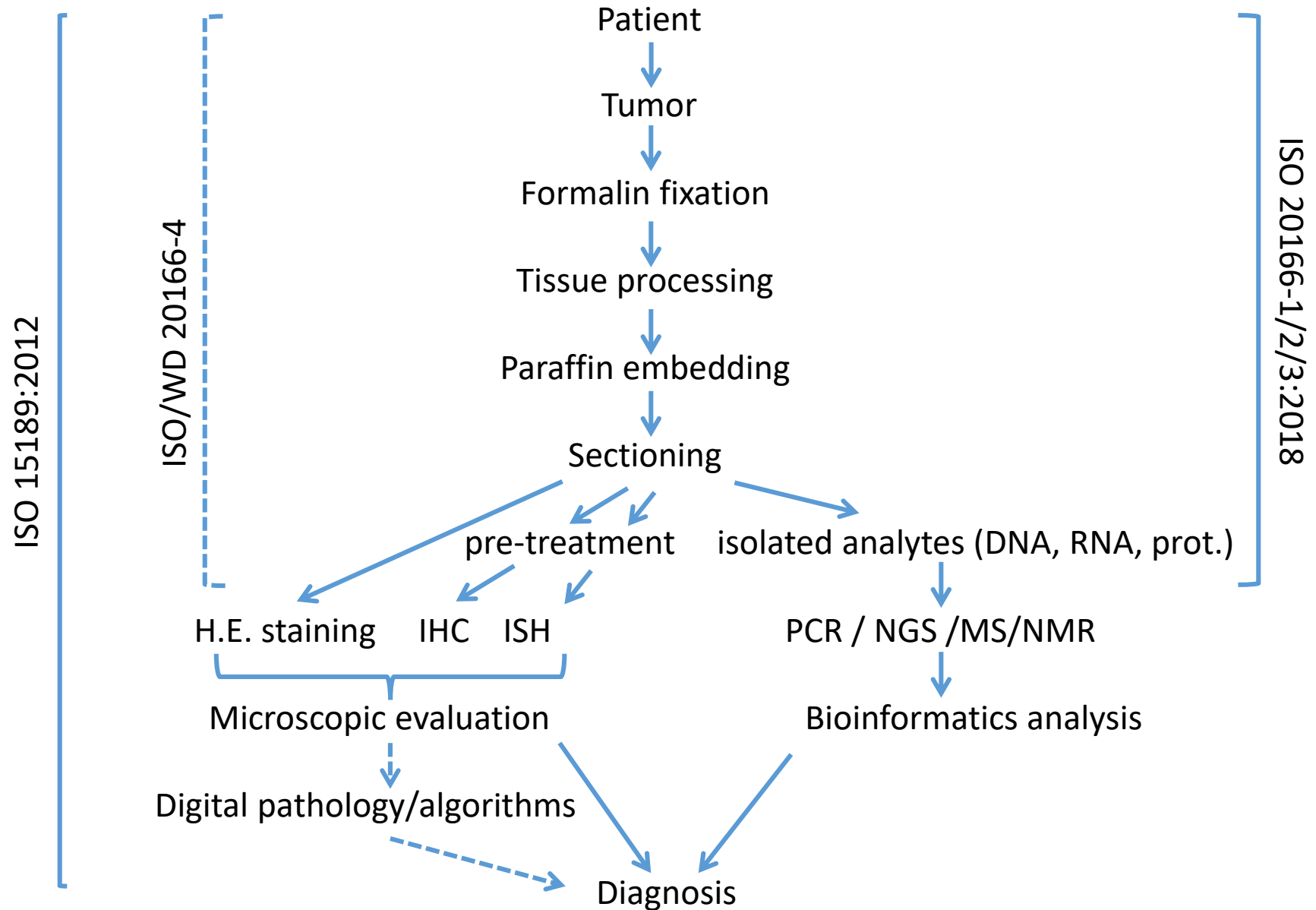
- Frozen tissue – Part 1: Isolated RNA; EN ISO 20184-1:2018
- Frozen tissue – Part 2: Isolated proteins; EN ISO 20184-2:2018
- Frozen tissue - Part 3: Isolated DNA; CEN/TS16826-3: 2018
- FFPE tissue – Part 1: Isolated DNA; EN ISO 20166-3:2018
- FFPE tissue – Part 2: Isolated RNA; EN ISO 20166-1:2018
- FFPE tissue – Part 3: Isolated proteins; EN ISO 20166-2:2018
- Venous whole blood – Part 1: Isolated cellular RNA; EN ISO 20186-1: 2019
- Venous whole blood – Part 2: Isolated genomic DNA; EN ISO 20186-2: 2019
- Venous whole blood – Part 3: Isolated circulating cell free DNA from plasma; EN ISO 20186-3: 2019
- Metabolomics in urine, venous blood serum and plasma; CEN/TS 16945:2016
- Saliva - Isolated human DNA; CEN/TS 17305:2019
- Circulating tumor cells (CTCS) - Part 1: Isolated RNA; CEN/TS 17390-1:2020
- Circulating tumor cells (CTCS) - Part 2: Isolated DNA; CEN/TS 17390-2:2020
- Circulating tumor cells (CTCS) - Part 3: Preparation for analytical CTC staining; CEN/TS 17390-3:2020

More To Come



- WI 00140126: Specifications for pre-examination processes for **Fine Needle Aspirates (FNA) – Part 2: Isolated proteins**
- WI 00140127: Specifications for pre-examination processes for human specimen - **Isolated microbiome DNA**
- WI 00140128: Specifications for pre-examination processes for **Fine Needle Aspirates (FNA) – Part 1: Isolated cellular RNA**
- WI 00140129: for pre-examination processes for **Fine Needle Aspirates (FNA) – Part 3: Isolated genomic DNA**
- WI 00140130: Specifications for pre-examination processes for **urine and other body fluids – Isolated cell free DNA**
- WI 00140133: Specifications for pre-examination processes for **exosomes** and other extracellular vesicles in venous whole blood – **Isolated RNA, DNA and proteins**
- prEN ISO 23118 (WI 00140132) : Specifications for pre-examination processes for **metabolomics in urine, venous blood serum and plasma**
- prEN ISO 20166-4 (WI 00140136): Specifications for pre-examination processes for **formalin-fixed and paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue - Part 4: In situ detection techniques**

Standards for Pre-examination and Medical Diagnostics



Topics Addressed by the ISO Standards

Example: FFPE tissue – Part 1: Isolated DNA; EN ISO 20166-3:2018

Introduction

1 Scope

2 Normative reference

3 Terms and definitions

4 General considerations

5 Outside the laboratory

5.1 Specimen collection

5.1.1 General

5.1.2 Information about the specimen donor/patient

5.1.3 Information about the specimen

5.1.4. Specimen processing

5.2 Transport requirements

6 Inside the laboratory

6.1 Information about the reception of the specimen

6.2 Formalin fixation of the specimen or sample

6.3 Evaluation of the pathology of specimen and selection of sample(s)

6.4 Post-fixation of frozen samples

6.5 Decalcification

6.6 Processing and paraffin embedding

6.7 Storage requirements

6.8 Isolation of DNA

6.8.1 General

6.8.2 General information for DNA isolation procedures

6.8.3 Using commercial kits

6.8.4 Using laboratories' own protocols

6.9 Quality and quality assessment of isolated DNA

6.10 Storage of isolated DNA

Annex A: Impact of the storage temperature on DNA integrity in FFPE blocks of tissue

Bibliography

Need for Evidence-Based Standards

Reproducibility Depends on Quality

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GARBAGE IN ⇒ GARBAGE OUT

Many SOPs Around the World: Which are the Best?

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- Impossible to call any one "best" (even NCI's)
 - All have strengths and weaknesses
 - No single set of SOPs are applicable to all clinical and research analytical platforms
 - Very few SOPs are based on **scientific evidence**

Where we need to go

from C. Compton, NCI USA

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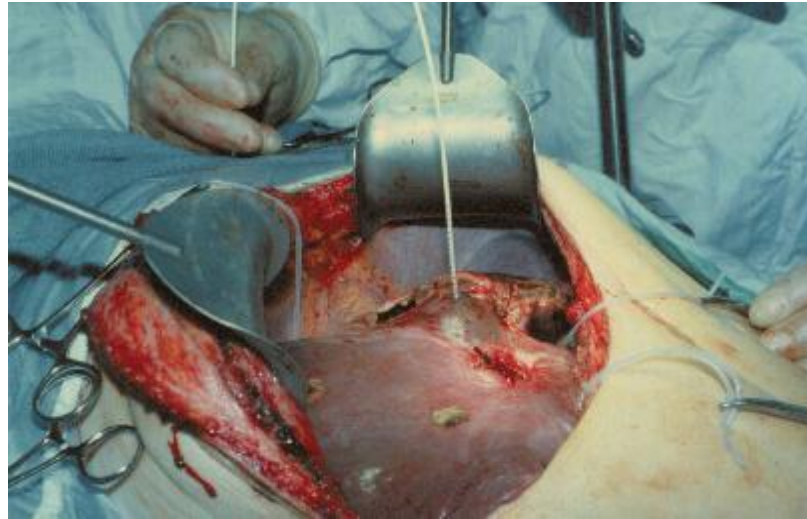
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Warm and Cold Ischemia Effects



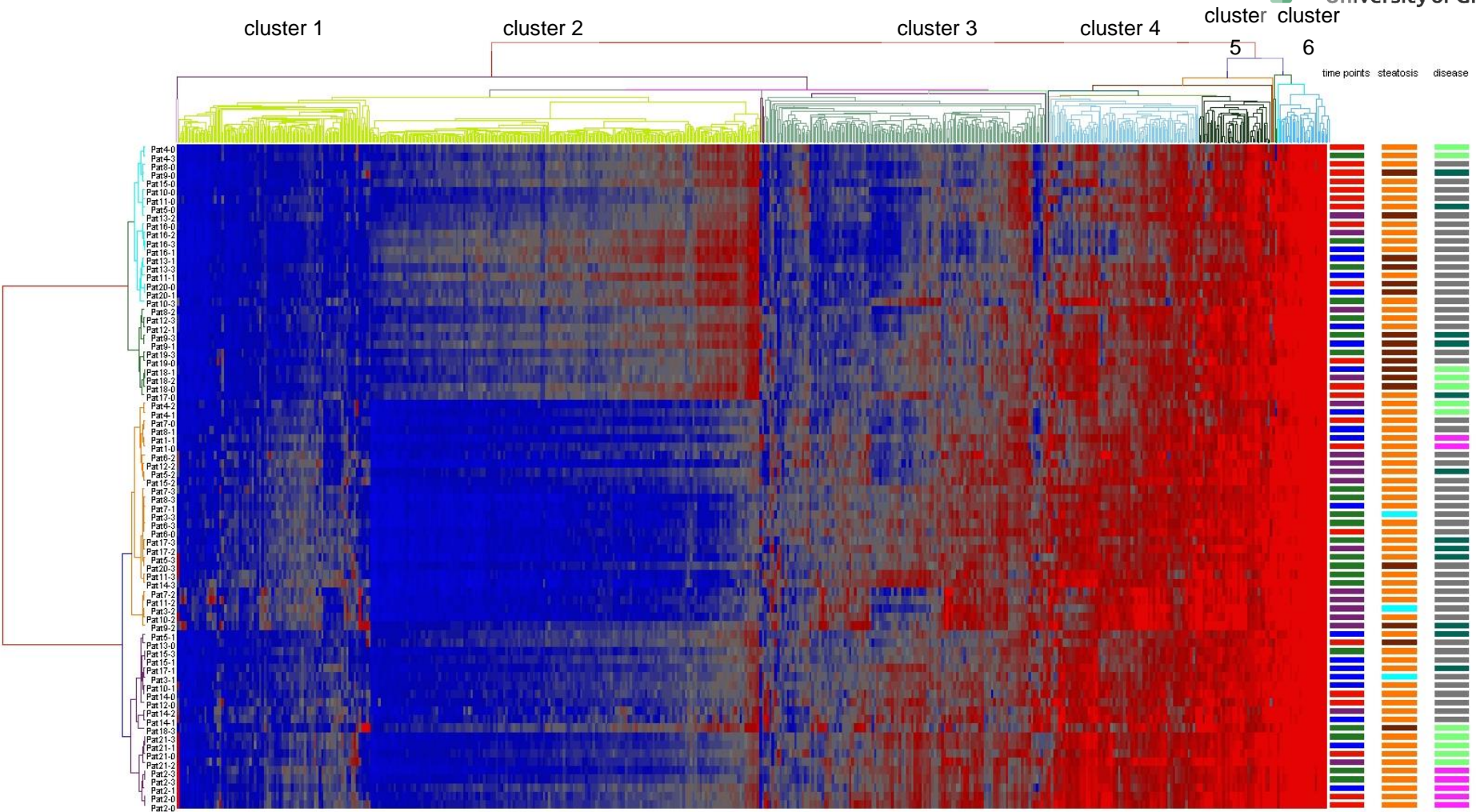
Clinical study in Pringle manoeuvre liver surgery

Snap frozen liver samples collected at :

- ▶ **T0** sample before Pringle start: **medication**
- ▶ **T1** sample 30min after Pringle start: **warm ischemia**
- ▶ **T2** sample 30min after Pringle ending: **ischemia- reperfusion**
- ▶ **T3** sample after resection: **cold ischemia**



Ischemia and Gene Expression



Affymetrix HG-U219

RMAsignals Trasposed_UniqueList_no924

time points 0 1 3 2 steatosis <5% n/a >20% disease CCC CRC Met HCC other

2.2 5.8 9.4

FC1,5_p0,05 924 genes

Alteration in Gene Expression is an Active Response

Response to stress

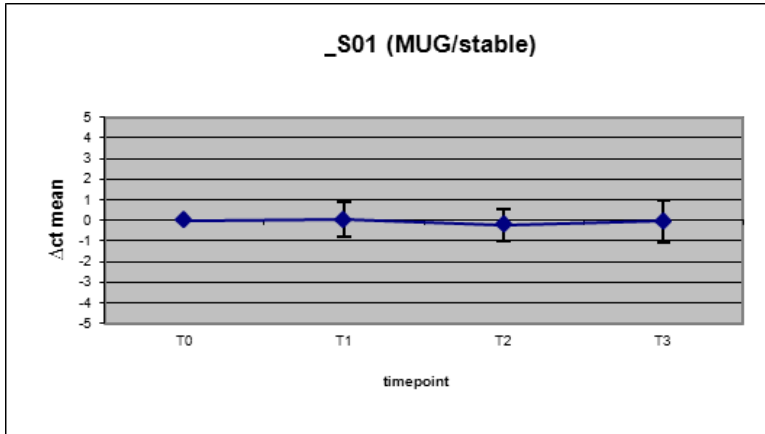
HSPA1B	Heat shock 70 kDa protein 1
HSPA6	Heat shock 70 kDa protein 6
GADD45B	Growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible protein GADD45 beta
CRP	Cysteine and glycine-rich protein 1
DNAJB4	DnaJ homolog subfamily B member 4
DNAJB1	DnaJ homolog subfamily B member 1
PLK2	Serine/threonine-protein kinase PLK2
CRP	C-reactive protein(1-205)
DUSP1	Dual specificity protein phosphatase 1
HSPA8	Heat shock cognate 71 kDa protein
IER3	Radiation-inducible immediate-early gene IEX-1
GADD45G	Growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible protein GADD45 gamma
CEBPB	CCAAT/enhancer-binding protein beta
NFKBIA	NF-kappa-B inhibitor alpha
RNF152	RING finger protein 152
FOSL2	Fos-related antigen 2
HSPH1	Heat shock protein 105 kDa

Response to stimulus

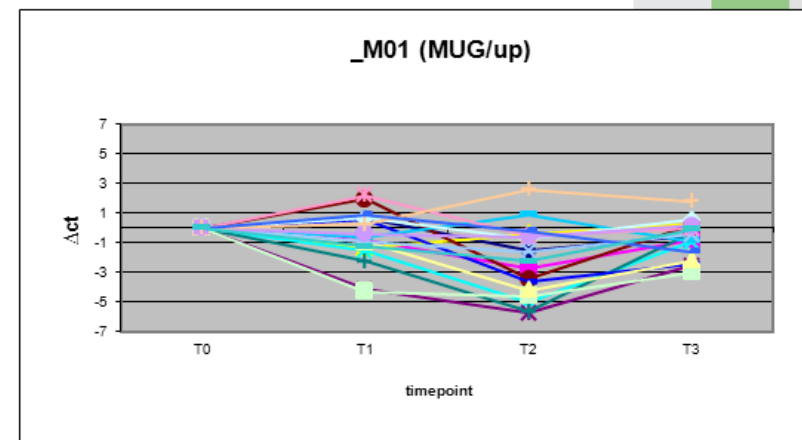
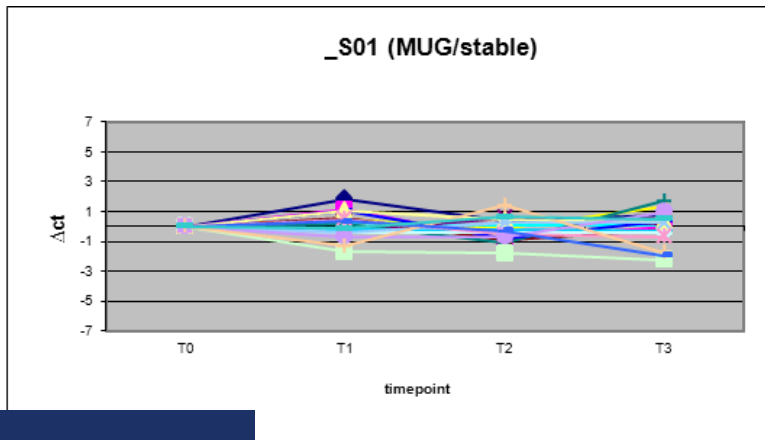
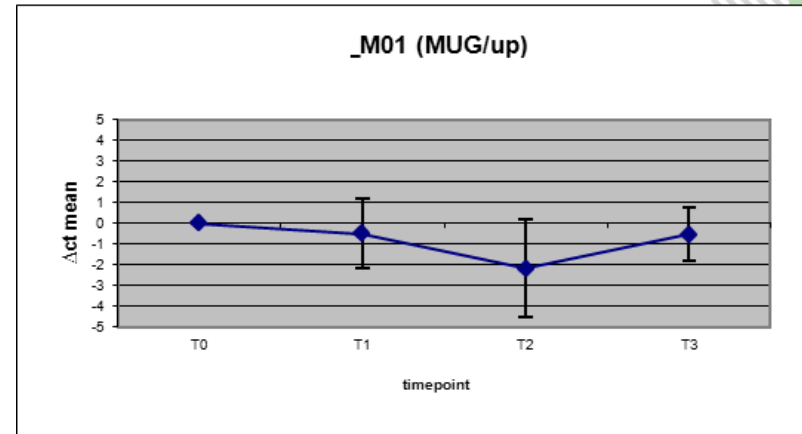
ABCC9	ATP-binding cassette transporter sub-family C member 9
ANGPTL4	Angiopietin-related protein 4
CEBPB	CCAAT/enhancer-binding protein beta
CISH	Cytokine-inducible SH2-containing protein
CRP	Cysteine and glycine-rich protein 1
CXCL2	GRO-beta(5-73)
CXCR7	C-X-C chemokine receptor type 7
DNAJB1	DnaJ homolog subfamily B member 1
DNAJB4	DnaJ homolog subfamily B member 4
DUSP1	Dual specificity protein phosphatase 1
ELF3	ETS-related transcription factor Elf-3
ETS2	Protein C-ets-2
FHL1	Four and a half LIM domains protein 1
FOSL2	Fos-related antigen 2
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GADD45G	Growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible protein GADD45 gamma
HSPA1B	Heat shock 70 kDa protein 1
HSPA6	Heat shock 70 kDa protein 6
HSPA8	Heat shock cognate 71 kDa protein
HSPH1	Heat shock protein 105 kDa
ICAM1	Intercellular adhesion molecule 1
IER3	Radiation-inducible immediate-early gene IEX-1
IL1RN	Interleukin-1 receptor antagonist protein
IRF1	Interferon regulatory factor 1
IRF8	Interferon regulatory factor 8
KLF6	Krueppel-like factor 6
NFATC2	Nuclear factor of activated T-cells, cytoplasmic 2
NFIL3	Nuclear factor interleukin-3-regulated protein
NFKBIA	NF-kappa-B inhibitor alpha
NFKBIZ	NF-kappa-B inhibitor zeta
PLK2	Serine/threonine-protein kinase PLK2
RNF152	RING finger protein 152
TMPRSS2	Transmembrane protease, serine 2 catalytic chain

Individual Response to Ischemia (qRT-PCR Verification)

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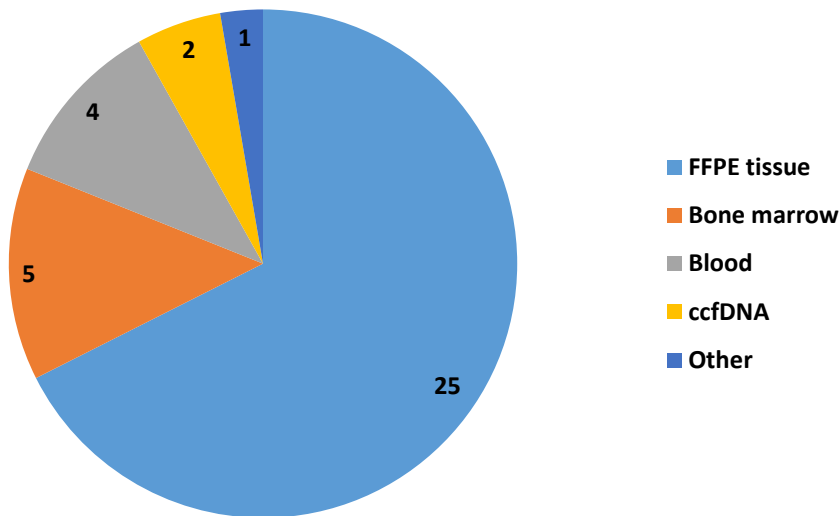


unstable



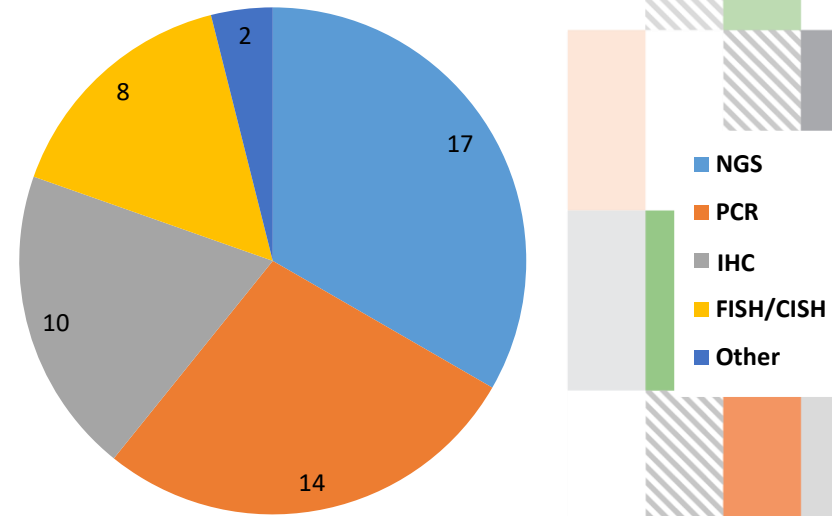
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Biosamples



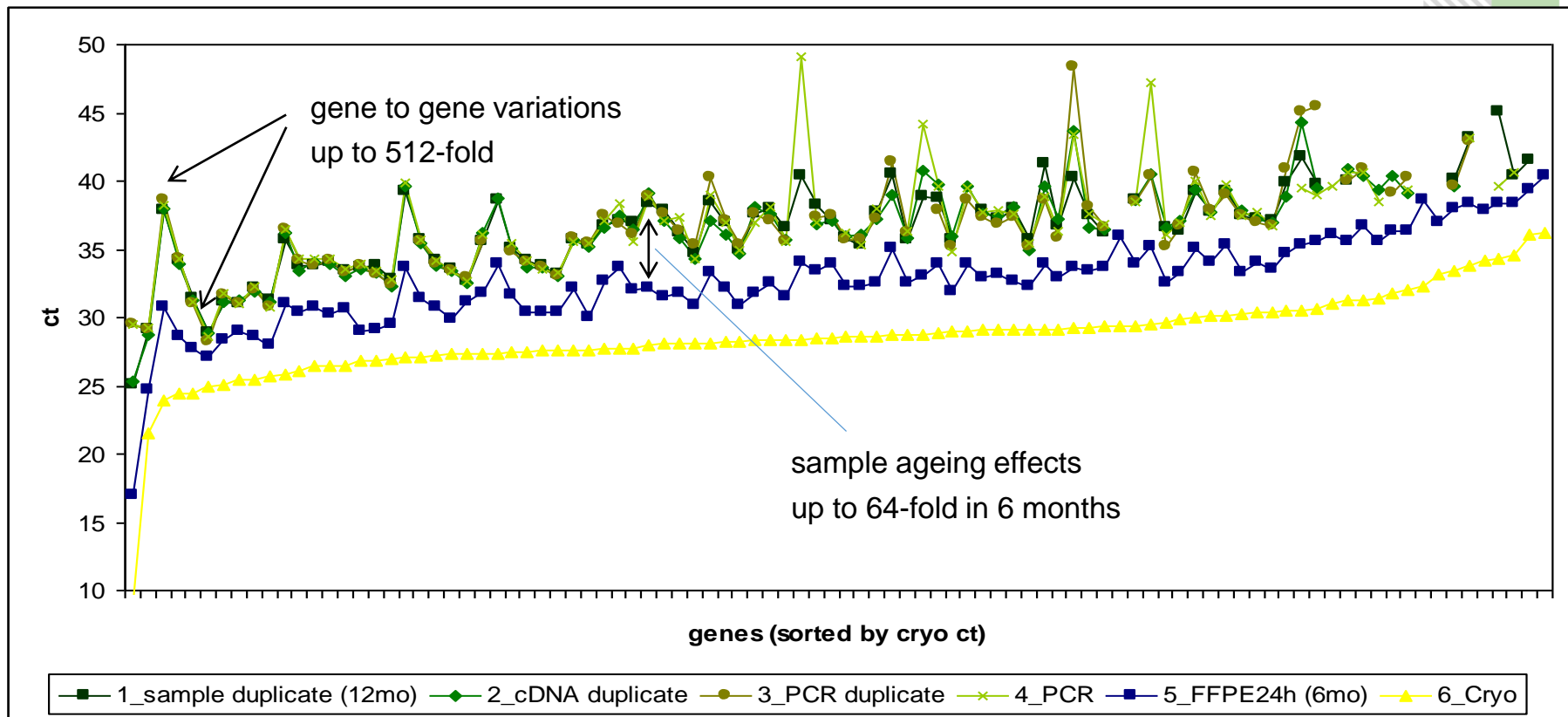
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Assays

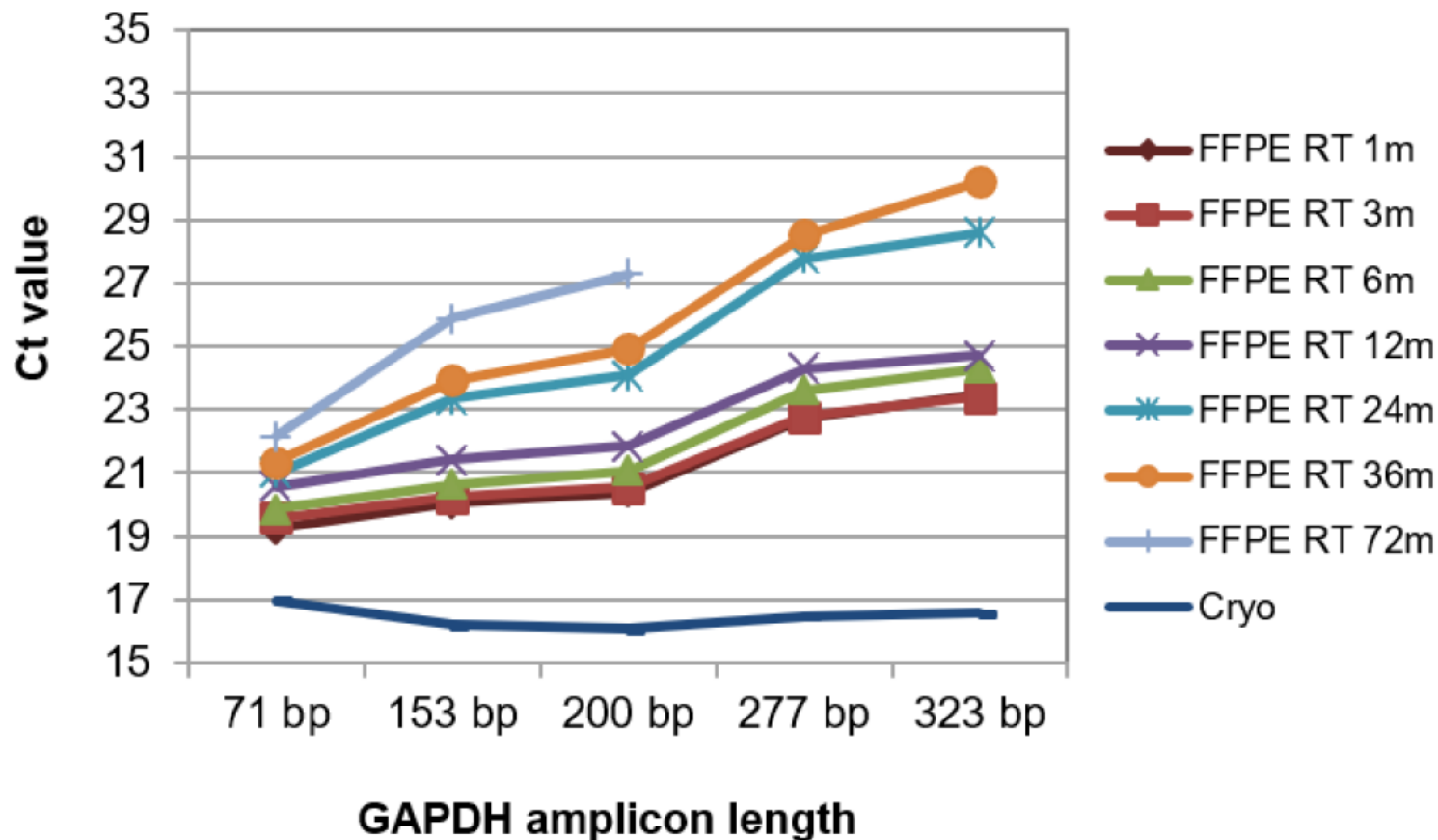


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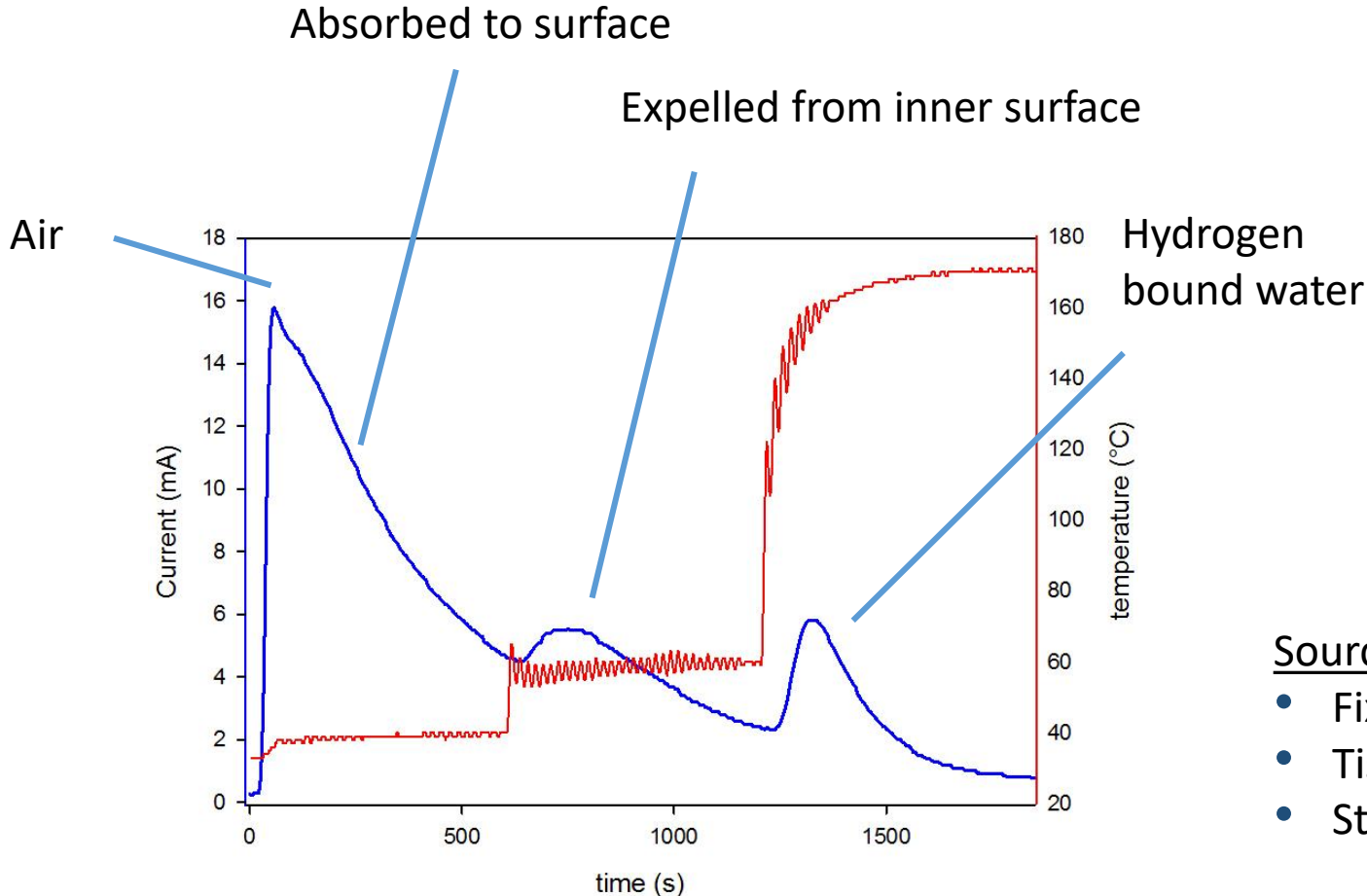
Formalin Fixation Interferes with qRT-PCR



Ageing Effects on RNA Quality in FFPE Tissues



Water Content of FFPE Tissue



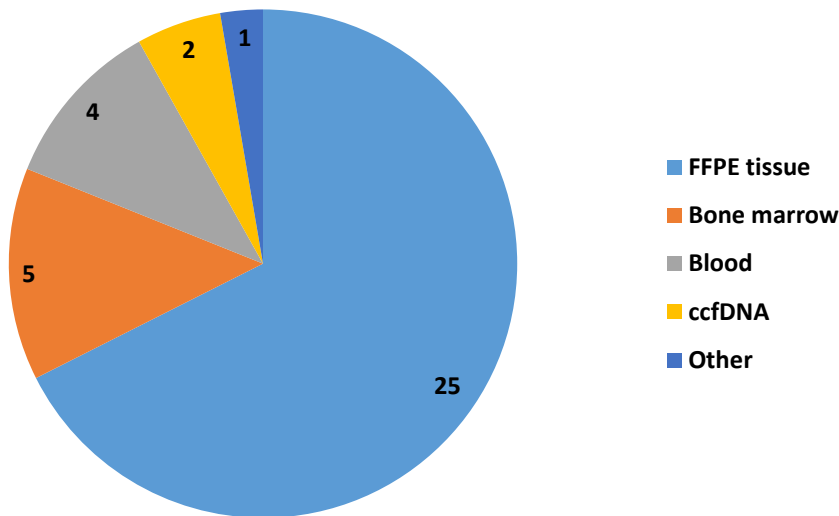
Phosphorous pentoxide – based water analysis

Sources of residual water:

- Fixation
- Tissue processing
- Storage

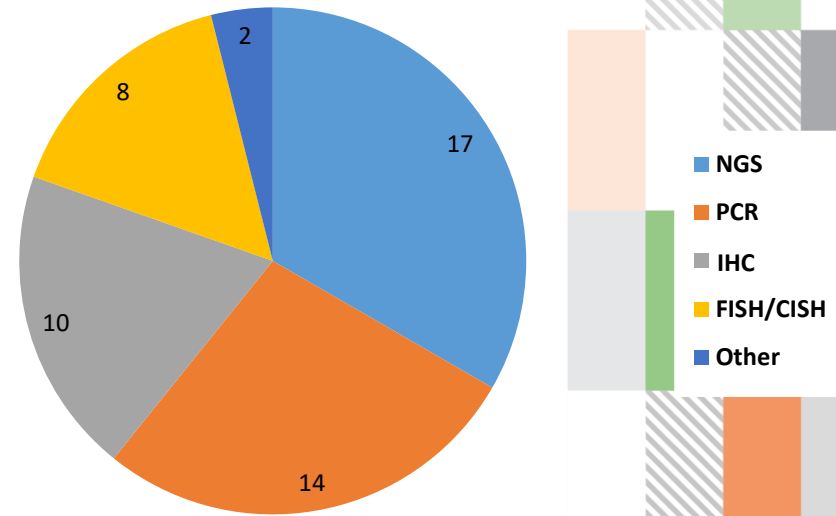
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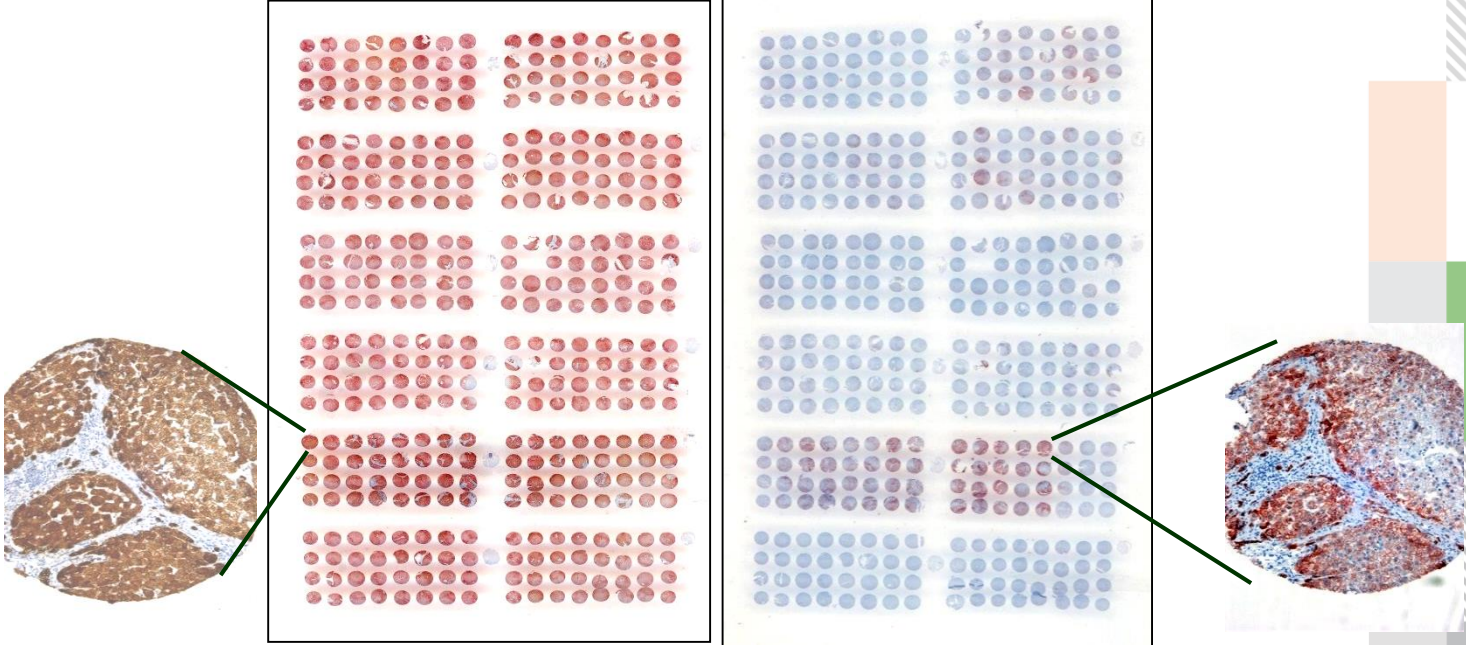
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IHC Protocol Verification

- ▶ 4x autolysis, 4x fixation, 6x cases, 4x replicas = 72 samples
- ▶ 5x antibodies, 3x concentrations, 4x retrieval, 2x detection systems =
120 IHC conditions
- ▶ **Total 8640 reactions for 1 antigen**

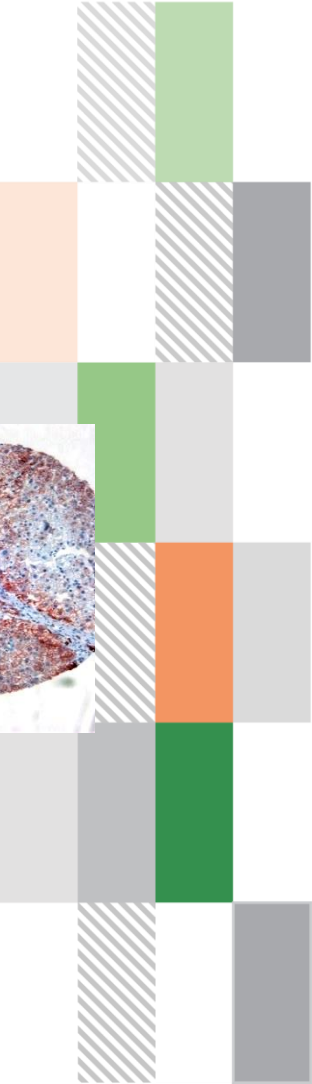


Differences in Protocol Robustness



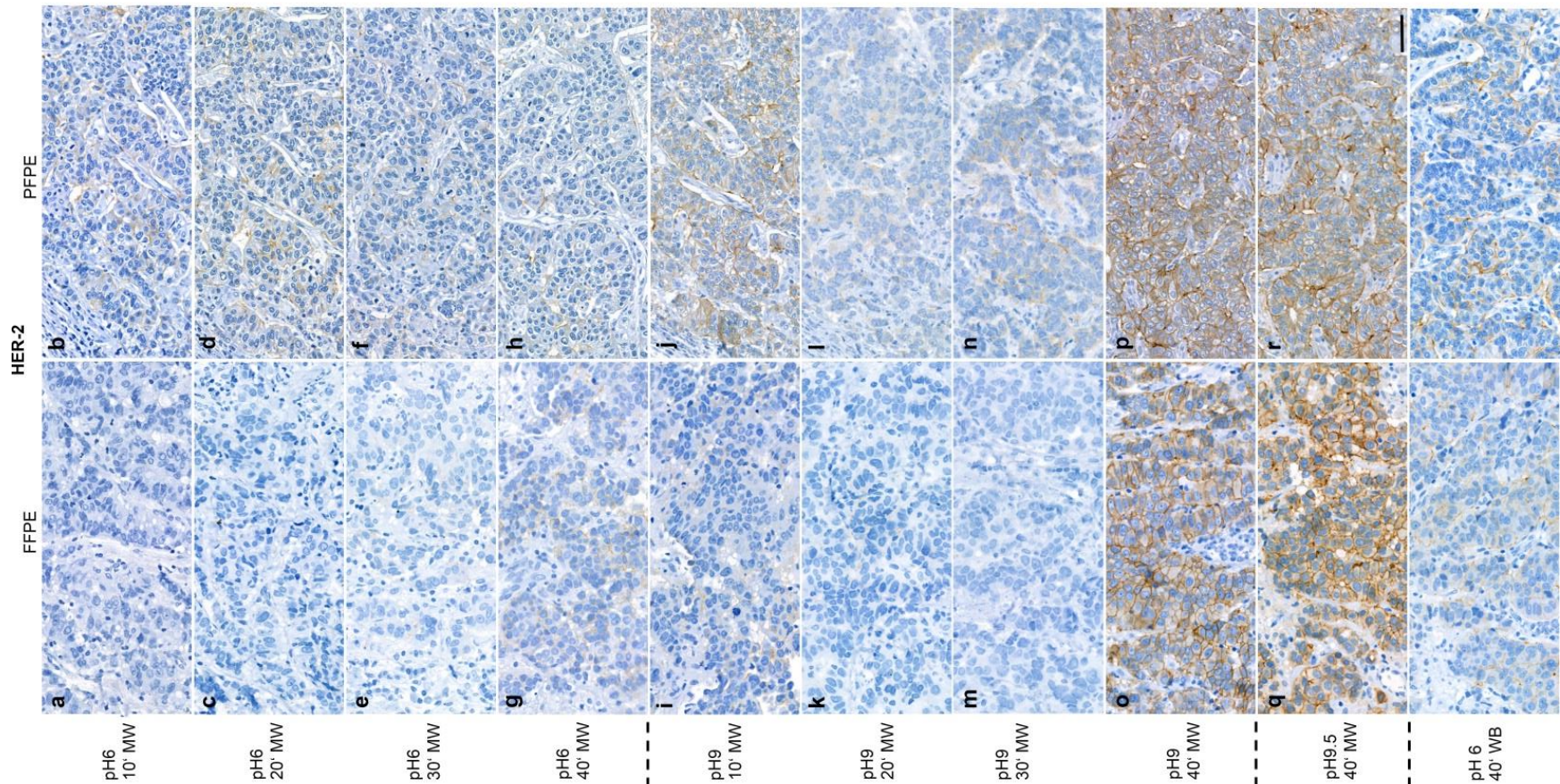
Robust protocol

Non-robust protocol



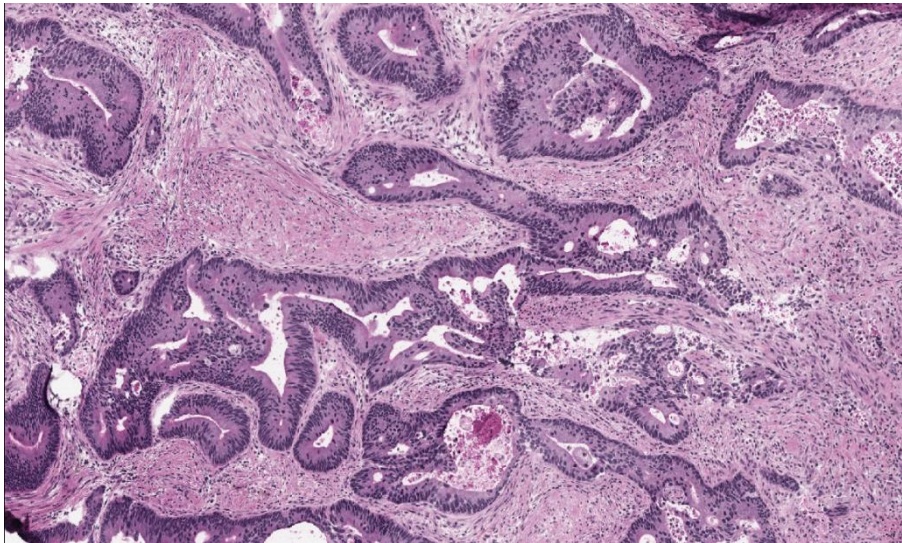
Differences: Analytical and Clinical Performance

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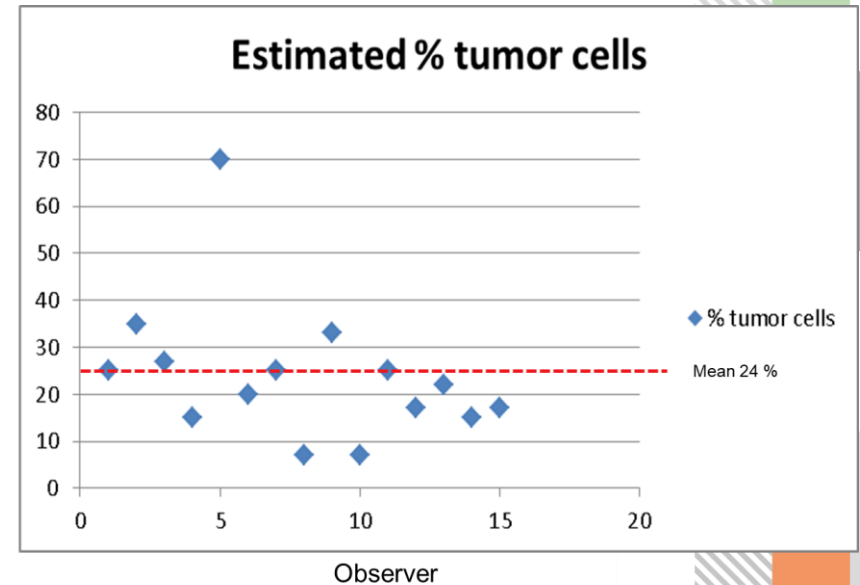


Quantification of Complex Patterns

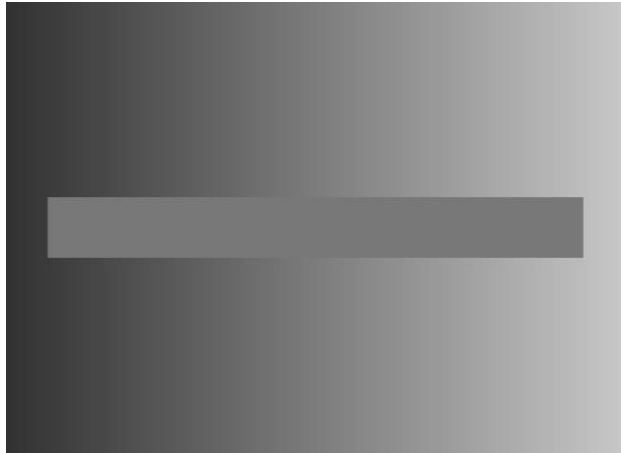
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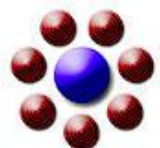
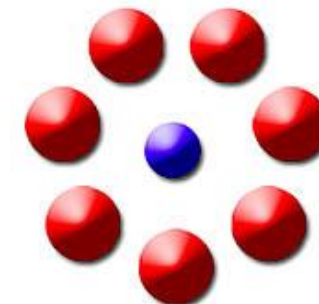
Tumor cell content %



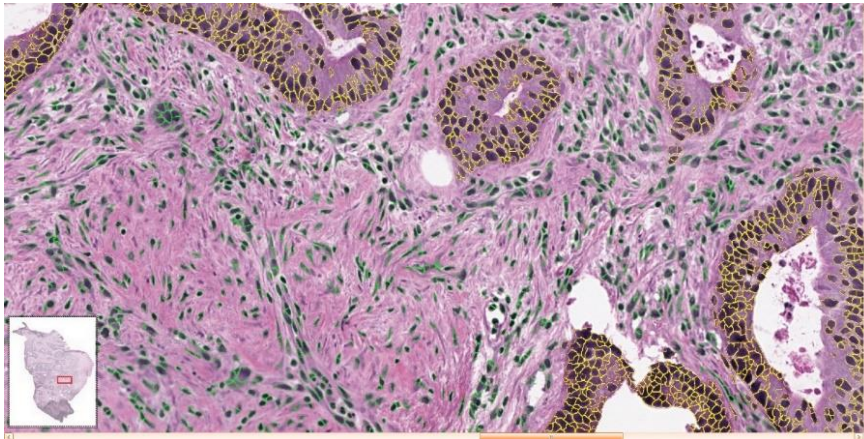
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Digital Evaluation of Tumor Content



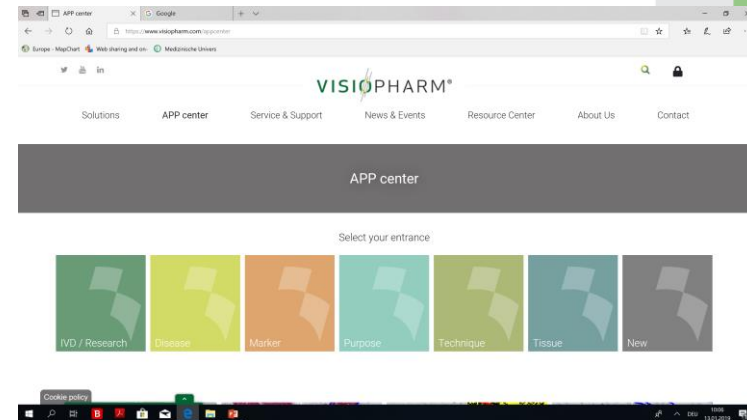
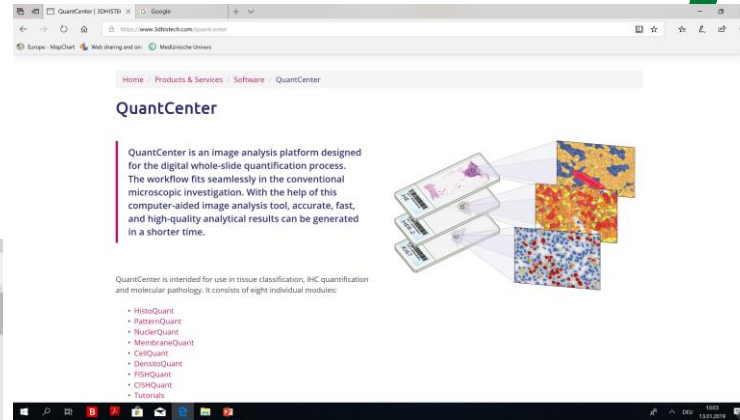
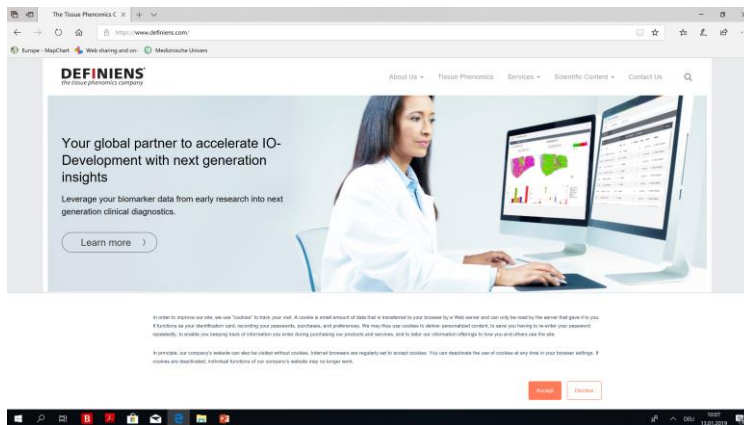
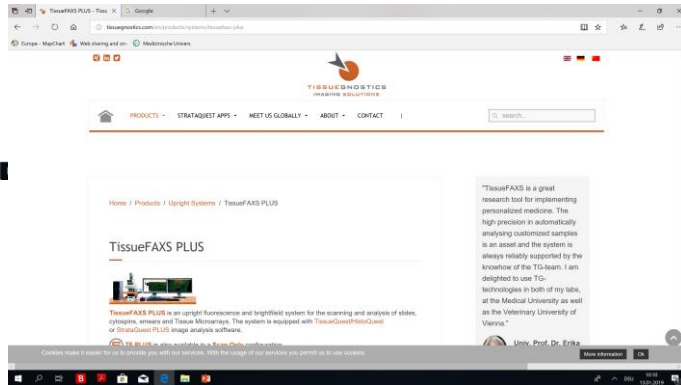
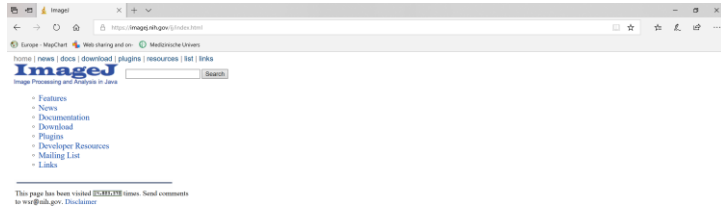
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SD	1.46	12733.55	2783.18	1.09	20890.76	3477.73	3.06	0.63

Tumor content: per area 30%
per nuclei 58%

Software for Quantitative Analyses



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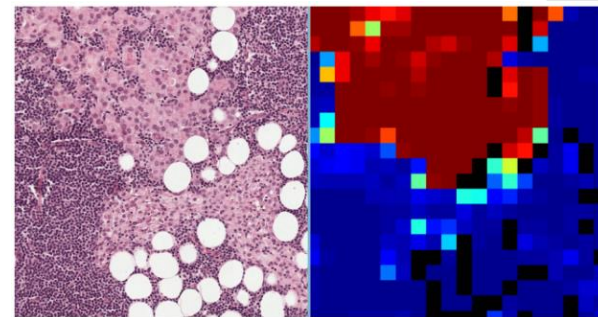
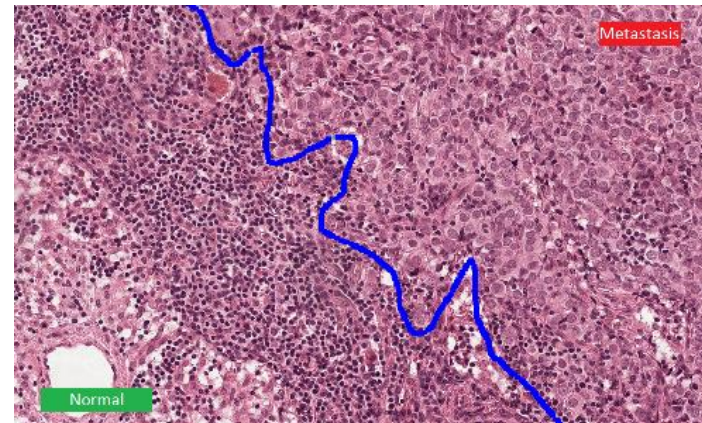
Supervised Learning by Using Labeled Data

Detecting Cancer Metastases on Gigapixel Pathology Images

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270 slides pixel-level annotation (Camelyon16 data set)

- Few data sets required
- Annotation process very laborious, expensive, error prone

Artificial Intelligence–Based Breast Cancer Nodal Metastasis Detection

Insights Into the Black Box for Pathologists

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Method	Slide-Level Area Under Receiver Operating Characteristic Curve (AUC)
LYNA (our algorithm)	99.3 (98.1, 100)
Camelyon16 winning algorithm	99.4 (98.3, 99.9)
Camelyon16 runner-up algorithm	97.6 (94.1, 99.9)
Single pathologist (without time constraint)	96.6 (92.7, 99.8)
Average of 11 pathologists (simulated clinical time constraint)	81.0 (73.8, 88.4)

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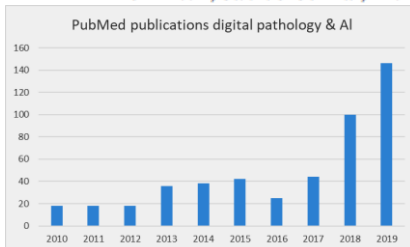
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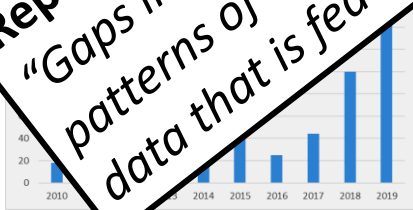
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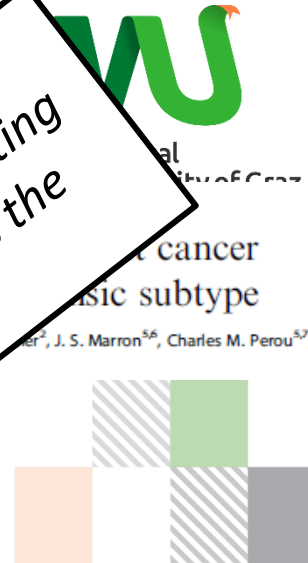


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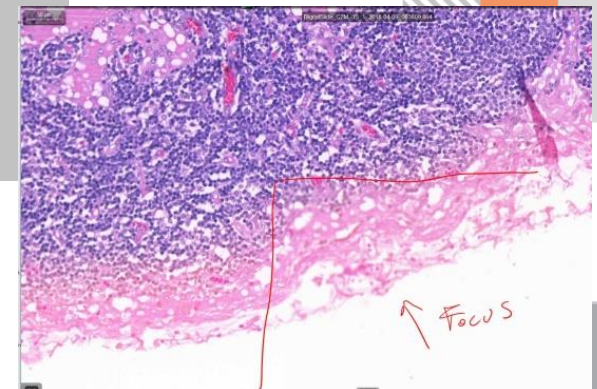
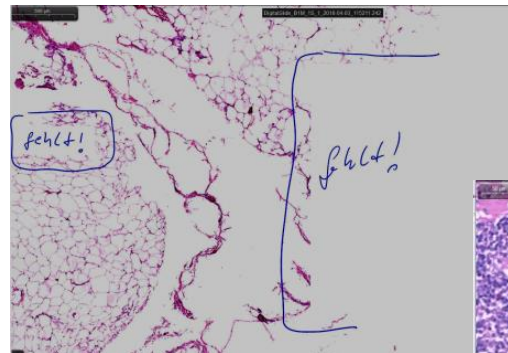
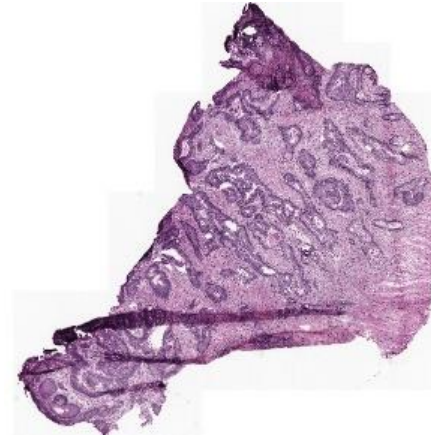
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Pre-analytical and Scanning Quality Requirements

- ▶ Algorithms are sensitive to artefacts
- ▶ Pre-analytical artefacts
- ▶ Scanning artefacts
 - missed region
 - out of focus
 - Stiching
 - background adjustment



ISO: New Draft ISO Standard

ISTO TC 212 N0578 N577 Draft for ISO Standard

“Molecular *in vitro* diagnostic examinations – Specifications for pre-examination processes for formalin-fixed and paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue for *in situ* detection techniques

Introduction

“Developments in personalized medicine and new technologies, such as multi-label immunostaining and **computer-based analysis of digital images pose new requirements on standardization of pre-analytical procedures to obtain reproducible qualitative and quantitative results.**”

This standard includes but is not limited to:

- classical histological staining, *e.g.* Hematoxylin & Eosin staining (H&E)
- histochemistry
- immunohistochemical staining (IHC) or immunofluorescence staining
- *in situ* hybridization (ISH) techniques
- *in situ* sequencing, imaging mass spectrometry



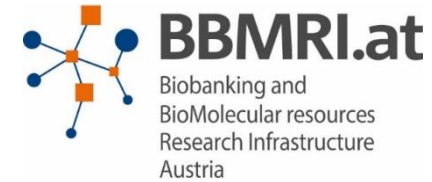
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- Support with **access** to biobank samples, data, services, expertise and network to clinical partners
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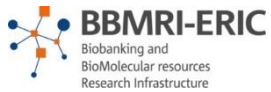
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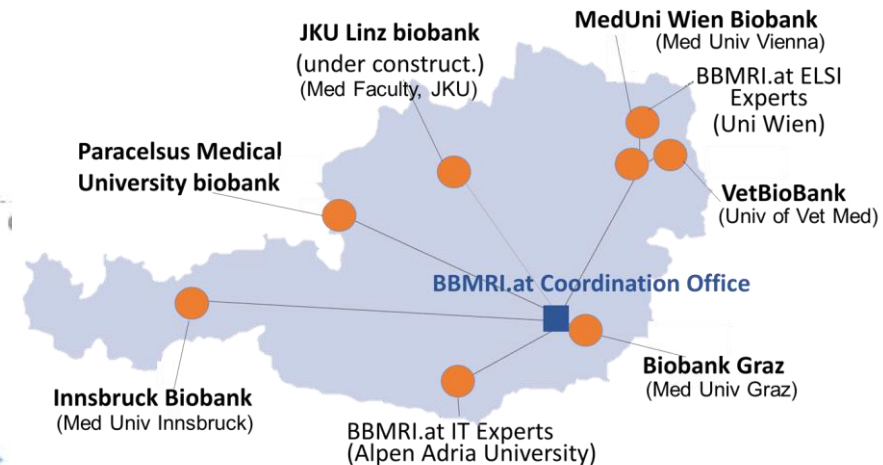
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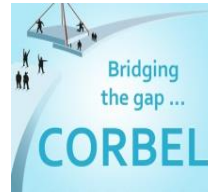


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