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Viral hepatitis as a case study

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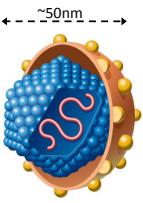
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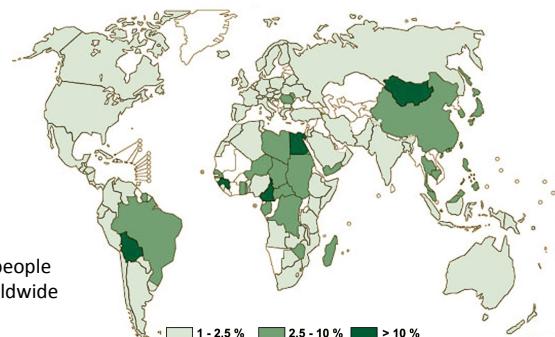
www.sphinx-hcv.eu www.poc-hcv.eu

Hepatitis C: Virus & Prevalence



~50nm

- Isolated in 1989, 6 genotypes now identified
- Belongs to the Flaviviridae family (dengue, yellow fever...)
- Small RNA+ virus (9.6kb)
- Transmission via exposure to infected blood



150 million people infected worldwide

Legend: 1 - 2,5 %, 2,5 - 10 %, > 10 %

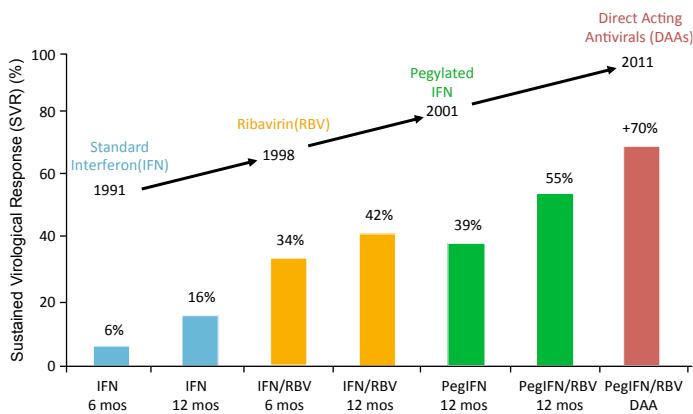
Source: World Health Organization

Review of definitions

Personalized Biomarker: any biomarker (or set of biomarkers) that supports patient-group targeted therapies – demands therapeutic need and implies innovative medicines and testing approaches

- Correct patient
- Correct disease
- Correct treatment
- Right time for treatment
- Optimal dose
- Optimal response
- ... all at an Appropriate price

HCV therapy – an ongoing revolution



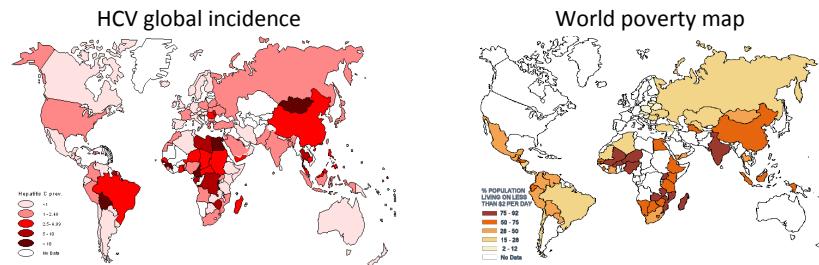
A role for biomarkers?

Cost managements: At 70,000€ per patient x 150M patients → 10.5T€ to cure HCV worldwide
(Global annual expenditure on health care, 4.78 T€)

HCV a poverty associated disease – a role for biomarkers?

Role for Biomarkers in resource limited settings

1. Improved HCV detection and diagnosis
2. Improved HCV patient treatment decisions



Egypt HCV epidemic

- 3.8 million infected (15%)
- HCV genotype 4
- Annual national treatment budget \$100m
- ANRS Egyptian research site (Arnaud Fontanet)

(Lavanchy, J Clin Microbiol, 2011)

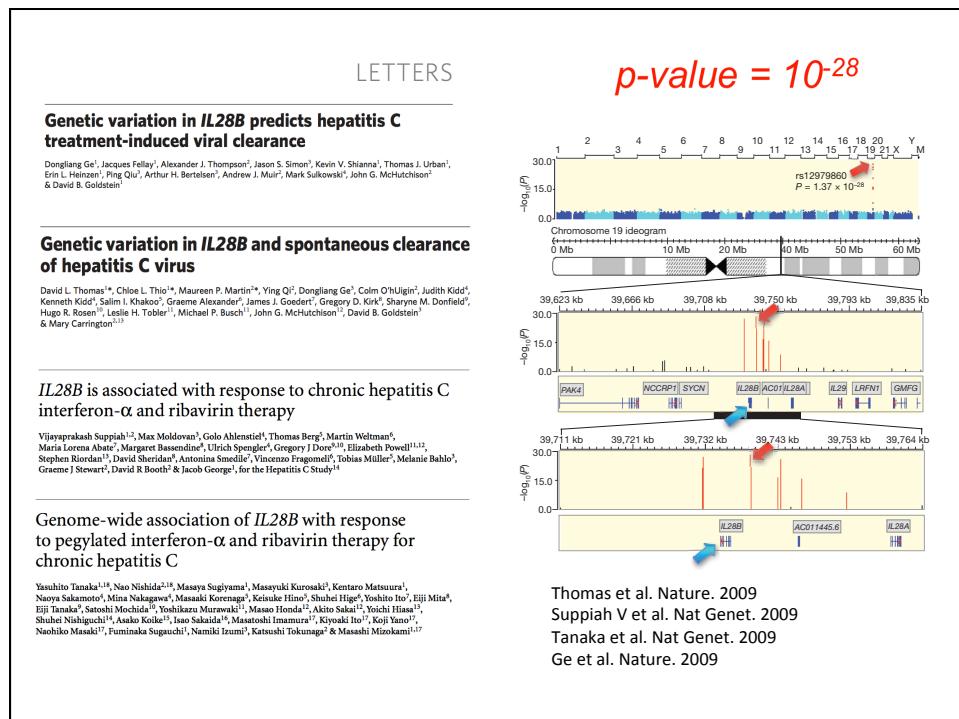
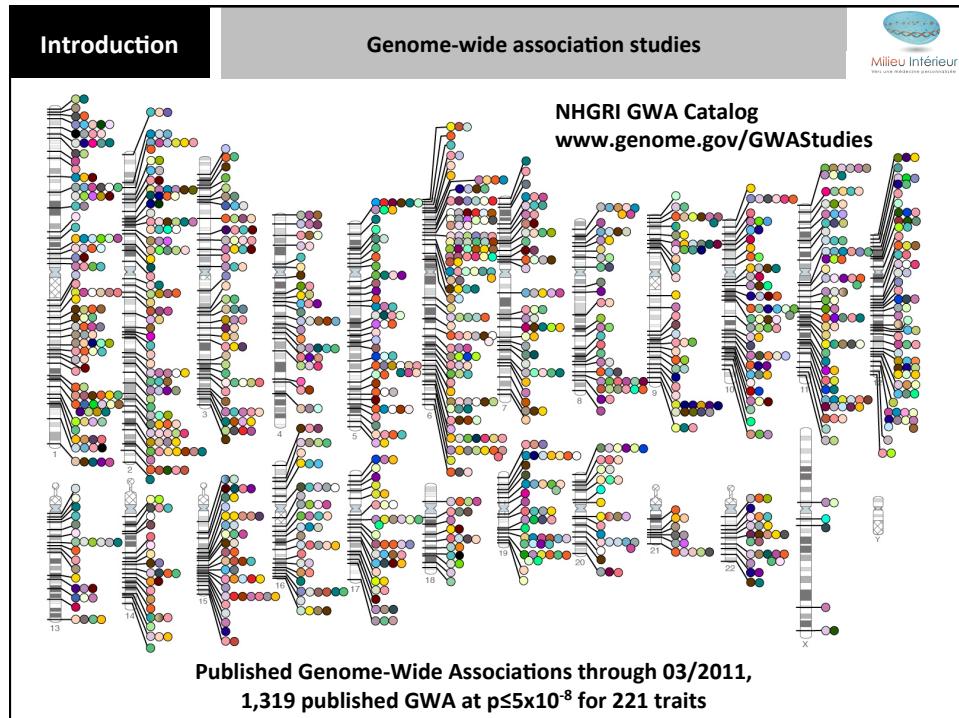
Use of biomarkers in managing chronic hepatitis is a mature and well established field

- Disease biomarkers e.g., HCV viral detection
- Decision to treat e.g., Fibrotest
- Tx outcome biomarkers e.g., HCV viral genotype
- Surrogate endpoints e.g., EVR (in treatment viral load)
- Toxicity biomarkers e.g., ITPA polymorphisms
- Mechanisms of Dx pathogenesis e.g., IP-10

Personalized medicine: where are we for HCV biomarkers?



Ceci n'est pas une biomarker.



Astronomical p -values do not necessarily translate to clinically useful diagnostic assays

Criteria that impact interpretation of p-value in GWAS

- No. patients test ($r: 154 - >1700$)
 - No. tests performed ($r: 300K - 1M$ SNPs)
 - Prevalence of SNP in population ($r: 30 - >95\%$)
 - Prevalence of phenotype ($r: 35 - 80\%$)

1 test – $p < 0.05$ is acceptable
 10^6 simultaneous tests - 50,000 false positives

Exert penalty for multiple testing...
more tests, greater penalty



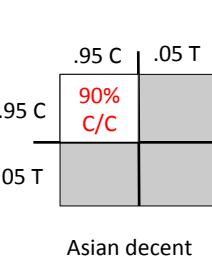
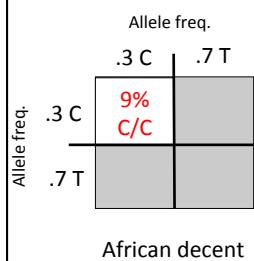
Carlo Emilio Bonferroni

$$FWER = \Pr \left\{ \bigcup_{i_0} (p_i \leq \frac{\alpha}{m}) \right\} \leq \sum_{i_0} \left\{ \Pr(p_i \leq \frac{\alpha}{m}) \right\} \leq m_0 \frac{\alpha}{m} \leq m \frac{\alpha}{m} = \alpha$$

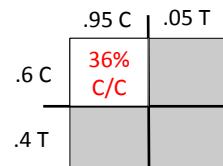
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Thomas et al. *Nature*, 2009



Only useful in European decent

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- Predictive value
- Clinical question (make it a good one)
- Pre-test probability

No Biomarker testing

100% patients → 45% cured

Overall cure rate = 45%

IL28B Biomarker testing

35% C/C patients → 75% (of 35%) cured

Overall cure rate = 26%

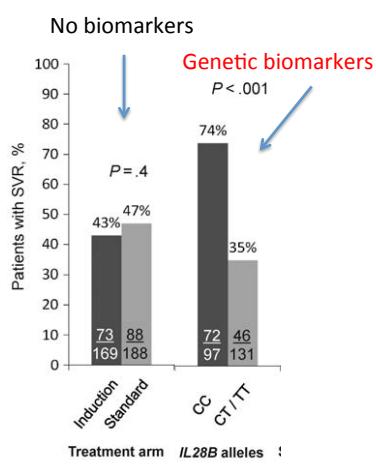
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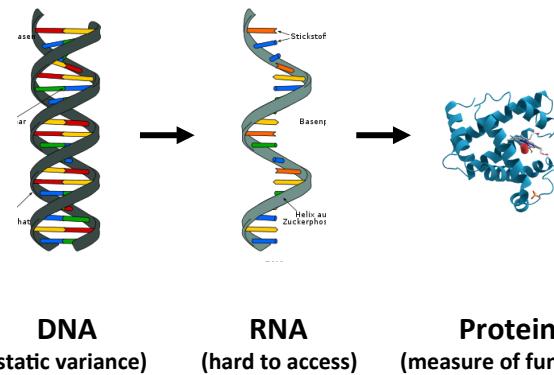
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Labarga... Soriano, J Inf Dis 2012

Genetic Susceptibility ≠ Genetic Determinism

most complex disease phenotypes are a miserable trait for association studies

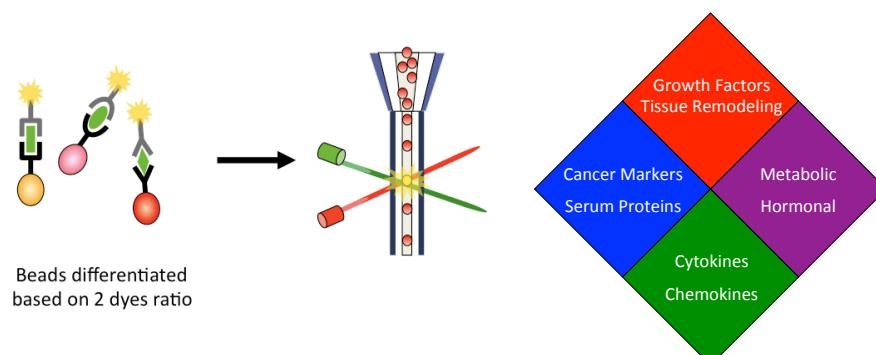


In order to advance the promise of personalized medicine,
we require functional biomarkers

Multi-Analyte Profiling (MAP) using Luminex technology

500µl of patient plasma needed:

Concentration of 189 analytes measured:



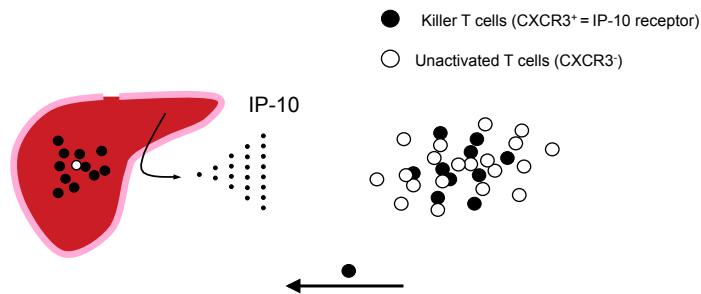
Defining the inflammatory signature of acute HAV / HBV / HCV

5/189 analytes identified to distinguish spontaneous clearance and persistence

11/189 analytes identified that distinguish Chronic from SVR (peg-IFN / RBV)

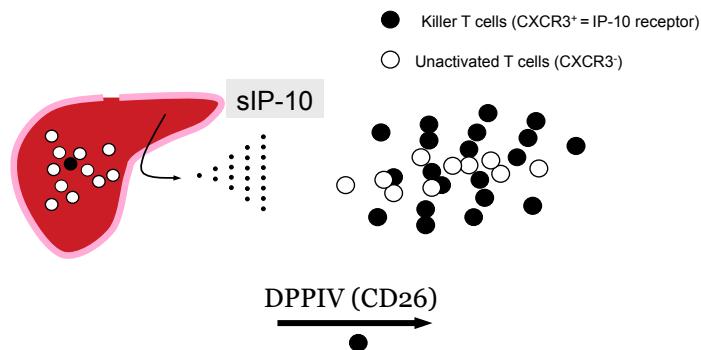
6/250 analytes identified that distinguish NR from SVR (NS3 / peg-IFN / RBV)

Higher levels of IP-10 are negative predictor for spontaneous clearance and response to treatment



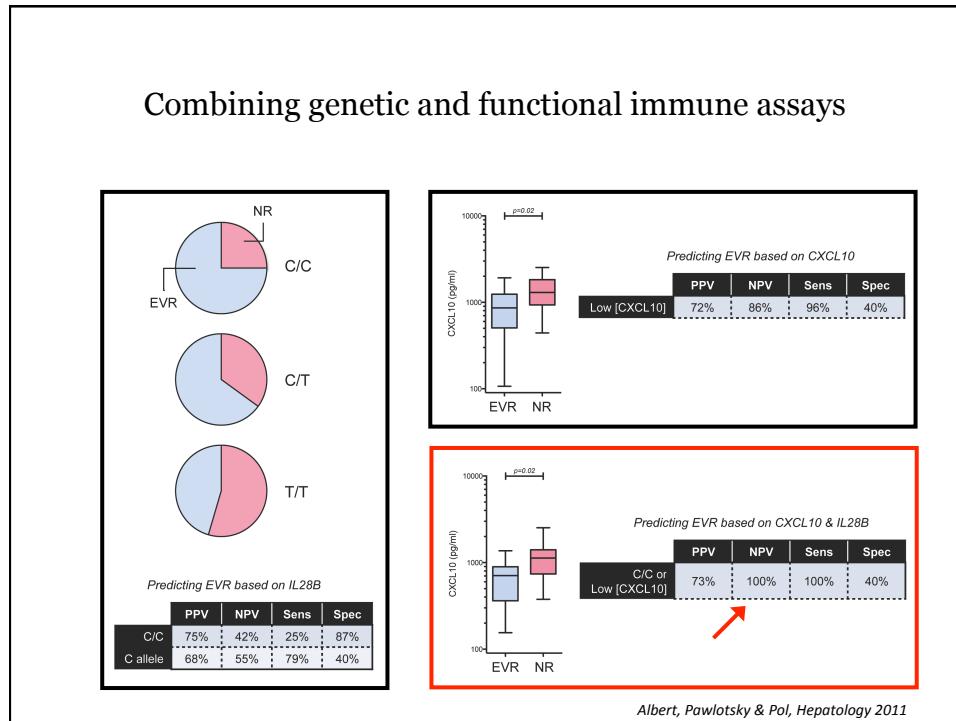
CXCL10 (IP-10) is an interferon-induced chemokine of ~10kDa.
It is produced by hepatocytes during liver inflammation.
It is a ligand for CXCR3 and acts on NK and T cells to induce their migration.

An unexpected role for IP-10 in cHCV disease pathogenesis



Cleavage of IP-10 by DPPIV results in an antagonist form of the molecule
that participates in the disruption of T cells trafficking in the liver

Casrouge et al. J Clin Inv 2011



Commercialized assays for IP-10 & IL28B

Serum level of IP-10 increases predictive value of IL28B polymorphisms for spontaneous clearance of acute HCV infection. Beinhardt S, Aberle JH, Strasser M, Dulic-Lakovic E, Maierov A, Kreil A, Rutter K, Staetttermayer AF, Datz C, Scherzer TM, Strassl R, Bischof M, Stauber R, Bodlaj G, Laferl H, Holzmann H, Steinl-Munda P, Ferenci P, Hofer H. *Gastroenterology*. 2012 Jan;142(1):78-85.e2.

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Response prediction in chronic hepatitis C by assessment of IP-10 and IL28B-related single nucleotide polymorphisms. Lagging M, Askariyah G, Negro F, Bibert S, Söderholm J, Westin J, Lindh M, Romero A, Missale G, Ferrari C, Neumann AU, Pawlotsky JM, Haagmans BL, Zeuzem S, Bochud PY; Hellstrand K; DITTO-HCV Study Group. *PLoS One*. 2011 Feb 24;6(2):e17232.

Quantitation of pretreatment serum interferon- γ -inducible protein-10 improves the predictive value of an IL28B gene polymorphism for hepatitis C treatment response. Darling JM, Aersens J, Fanning G, McHutchison JG, Goldstein DB, Thompson AJ, Shianna KV, Afdhal NH, Hudson ML, Howell CD, Talloen W, Bolleken J, De Wit M, Scholten A, Fried MW. *Hepatology*. 2011 Jan;53(1):14-22. doi: 10.1002/hep.24056.

Interferon induced protein 10 remains a useful biomarker of treatment failure in patients stratified for the interleukin-28B rs12979860 haplotype. Albert ML, Casrouge A, Chevalliez S, Hézode C, Rosa I, Renard P, Mallet V, Fontanet A, Pawlotsky JM, Pol S. *Hepatology*. 2011 Apr;53(4):1410-1.

MYRIAD RBM IP-10 MAP 3 PLEX

Myriad RBM's IP-10 MAP 3-plex is a valuable tool for studying chronic inflammatory disease. Interferon induced protein 10 (IP-10 or CXCL10) is a chemokine that attracts T-lymphocytes, natural killer cells, and monocytes. This protein induces both short and long forms and in this case it may participate in immune system activation depending on its form. Studies have found IP-10 induction to be involved in many diseases including autoimmune diseases, kidney injury, cancer and infectious diseases such as hepatitis C where measurement of the short and long forms have been used to predict response to therapy.¹ IP-10 MAP was developed and validated by Myriad RBM in our CLIA-certified lab. The service provided makes use of Myriad's[®] antibodies licensed by Morphosys AG. Myriad[®] is a registered trademark of Myriad RBM.

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Interleukin-28B (IL28B) Polymorphism (rs12979860) . . . 480630
CPT 38011 38396520, 38386 38391
Synonyms: IL28, IL28B, Interferon-28B, HCV; rs12979860
Specimen: Whole blood or LabCorp buccal swab kit (Buccal swab collection kit contains instructions for use of a buccal swab.)
Volume: 7 mL whole blood or LabCorp buccal swab kit
Minimum Volume: 3 mL whole blood or 2 buccal swabs
Container: Lavender-top (EDTA) tube, yellow-top (ACD) tube, or LabCorp buccal swab kit
Storage Instructions: Maintain specimen at room temperature or refrigerate (4°C).
Causes for Rejection: Frozen or hemolyzed specimen; quantity not sufficient; improper container; wet buccal swab
Use: Genome-wide association studies have identified a single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) (rs12979860) upstream of the *IL28B* gene which is associated with higher sustained viral response rates to pegylated interferon/ribavirin therapy in HCV genotype 1-infected individuals.

How biomarkers could have helped the Eurozone

Why we should be using biomarkers for managing chronic HCV patients (today)

Assume treatment of 100.000 patients

Prior standard of care (~50% response rate)

Peg IFN / RBV (~15K / patient)	1.5 Billion Eu/ 50.000 SVR
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Current standard of care (~70% response rate)

Peg IFN / RBV / NS3 DA (~50K / patient)	5 Billion Eu/ 70.000 SVR
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Biomarker guided therapy

IL28B CC or low IP-10 (+ high ApoH, low AFP) – PPV >95%, Spec=80%

Peg IFN / RBV (~15K x 40.000 patient)	0.6 Billion Eu/ 38.000 SVR
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Peg IFN / RBV / NS3 DA (~50K x 62.000 patient)	3.1 Billion Eu/ 31.000 SVR
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SAVINGS = 1.3 B Eu (not including side effects from NS3 DA * 38.000 patients)

Situation for Egyptian Ministry funded Treatment centres

Why we should be using biomarkers for managing chronic HCV patients (today)

Budget available ~30 Million USD

Prior standard of care (~50% response rate)

Peg IFN / RBV (~1K / patient)	30K patients treated → 15K cured
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Biomarker guided therapy

IL28B C/C alone – PPV >75%, Spec=40%

Biomarker testing (50 USD/test) Peg IFN / RBV (~1K)	3 Million USD 27K patients treated → 20.5K cured
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IL28B C/C or low IP-10 (+ high ApoH, low AFP) – PPV >95%, Spec=80%

Biomarker testing (25 USD/test) Peg IFN / RBV (~1K)	1.25 Million USD 28.5K patients treated / 27K cured
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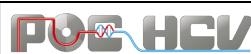
30M USD achieves 15K → but could be 27K cured (80% increase)

Need for new diagnostic tools

Role for Point-of-Care technologies in personalizing medicine

PoC instruments / diagnostic tools overcome:

- the prohibitive costs of diagnostic tests;
- lack of skilled workers;
- problems of reagent transport;
- and chain-of-custody / stability issues that all result in pre-analytic errors



Implementation of HCV Biomarkers in Egypt using point-of-care assay systems

Plasma



IP-10/Apo H

Mobile based



Algorithm

Genetic



IL-28B SNP

Biosurfit Spinit®



- \$55 per test
- Results in 18min

Qlucore



- Immediate analysis

Epistem Genedrive™



- \$40 per test
- Results in 27min



\$2000 treatment cost per patient (Peg-IFN/RBV)
<5% investment in diagnostics → 80% increase success rate

Darragh Duffy

**IP-10 & AFP in 18 minutes
Platelet counts too...**

A fully automated immunoassays from whole blood on a disc

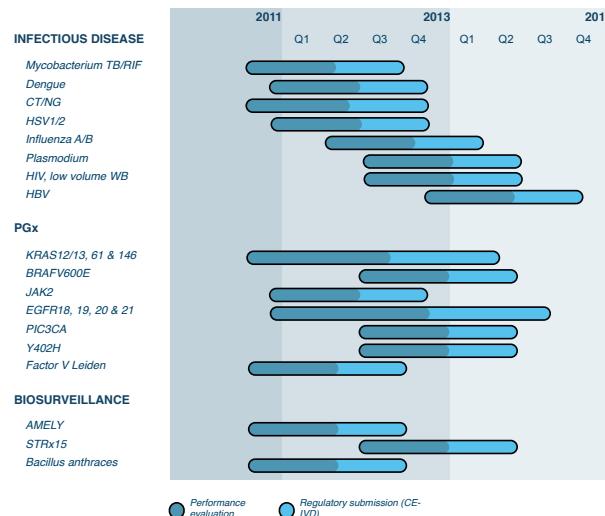
Biosurfit Spinit®

IL28B, Viral genotype & Viral load in 45 minutes

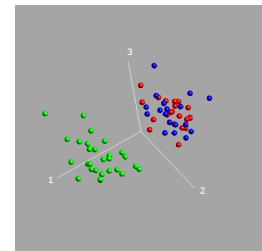
Genedrive® overview

- **Fast**
 - results obtained in as little as 30 minutes
- **Small**
 - the smallest molecular diagnostics instrument on the market today and just 560g
- **Low voltage**
 - 12V DC device allows Li-ion battery pack operation
- **Low cost**
- **Place anywhere**
 - low resource settings, point-of-need and point-of-care
- **Simple to use**
 - minimal training required
- **Wide coverage of disease areas**
 - expanding portfolio of assays

Epistem Test kits



- Epidemiologic factors
- Clinical status
- Genetic factors
- Immunologic factors
- Type / dose of medication
- Money available in for disease management



Future Opportunities ...

- Mobile units for surveillance
- Side effects for treatment
- Other diseases (e.g., HCC, HIV/HCV co-infection)

Three challenges for PoC biomarker development

1. Access to patient samples for biomarker qualification
2. Multiplexing biomarkers (across technical platforms) – we need better algorithms and more collaboration as a multi-prong solution will be required to achieve the promise of personalized medicine
3. Partnering with physicians so they feel included in the process – it is essential that in the delivery of “algorithms” for treatment management that the clinician remains the diagnostician and ultimate decision maker

How PoC biomarkers can overcome the challenges and start delivering on their promises

Action items for Public Health Initiatives (discussion points)

- Lobby EMEA / ASNM to insist on companion biomarker development with the release of all new drugs in order to establish cost-effective and personalized strategies for managing chronic viral infections
- Support the prioritization of EU Horizon 2020 funding for biomarker qualification and implementation, with a focus on integration of new technologies
- Establish guidelines for Academic / Industrial partnerships that permit academic partners to utilize clinical samples from late phase trials for biomarker testing

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