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## Sesión 2: Novedades terapéuticas frente a dianas “clásicas”

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## Classical Objectives for Ph1 Trials

- Maximum Tolerated Dose
  - Acceptable, manageable, reversible toxicity in a reasonable percentage of patients
  - It assumes dose-dependent activity
- Phase 2 scheme
- Preliminary profile of side effects of the drug

## Drivers of Ph1 designs

- FDA responsibilities:
  - “advancing the public health by helping to *speed* innovations that make medicines *more effective, safer, and more affordable*”
    - Better drugs, sooner, at lower cost...
- Need for Early Phase trials to be more *informative*
- *Adaptation* of designs to the type of drugs in development

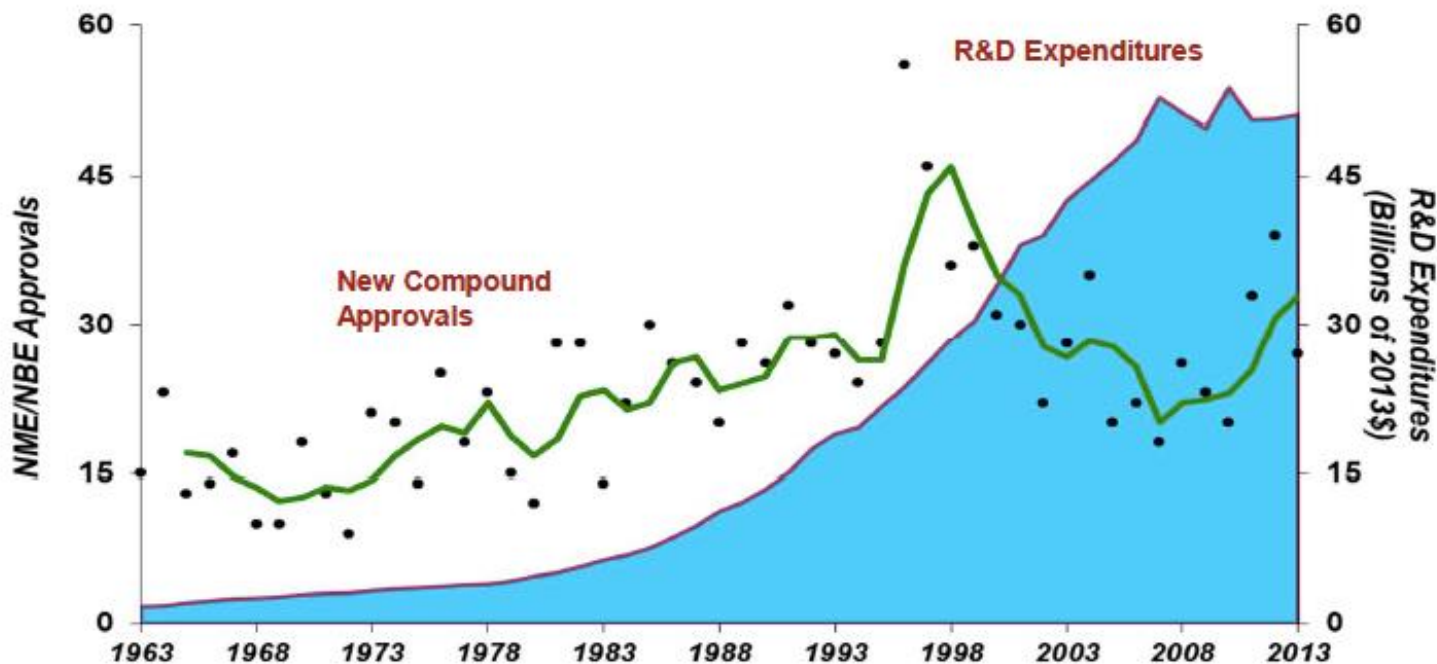
## Drivers of Ph1 designs

- Transform Early Phase Clinical Trials to become more informative
- Starting point for rational clinical development
- Integration of preclinical pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics and toxicology
- ORR in the early phase (!)

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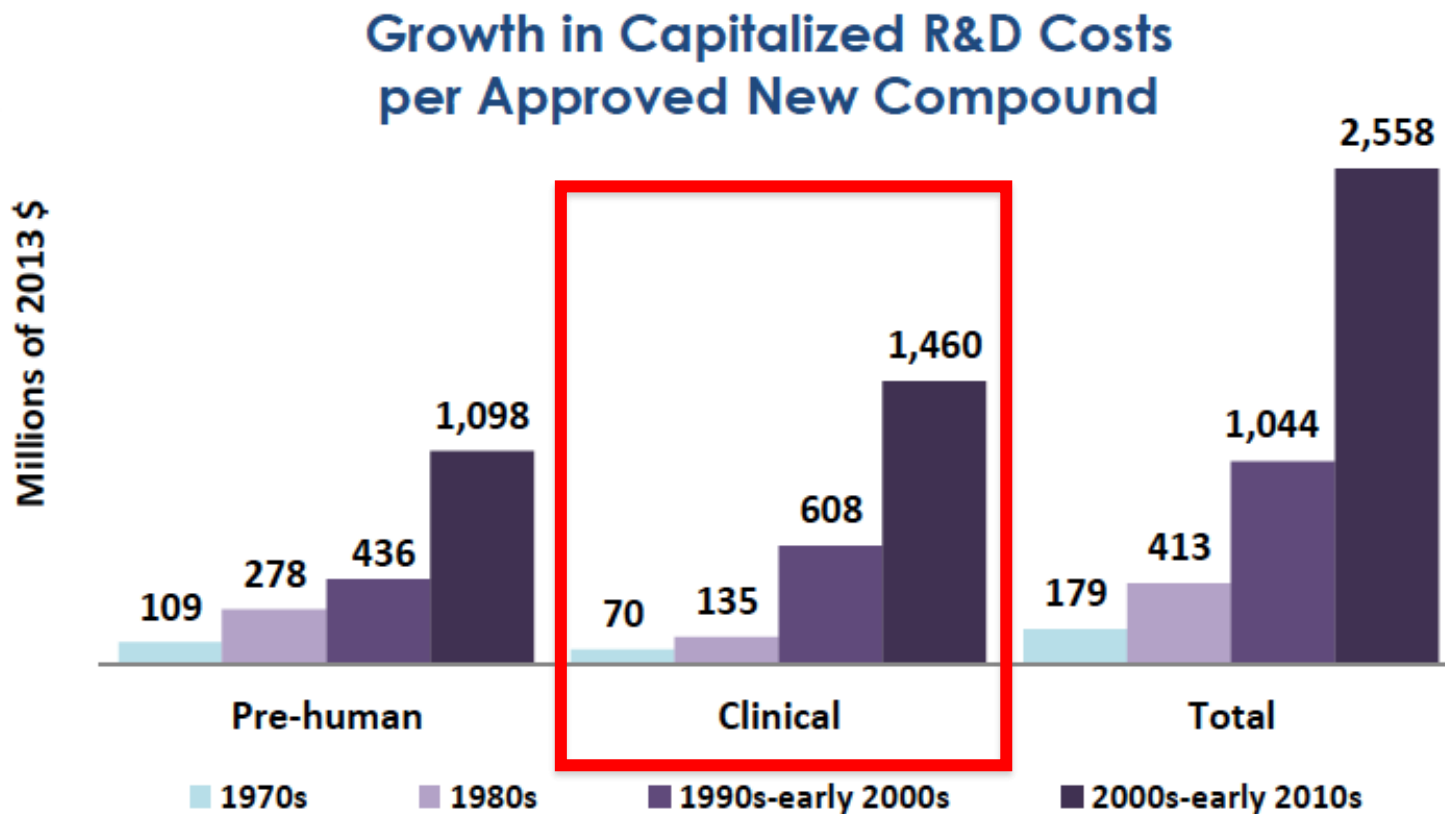
### New Drug and Biologics Approvals and R&D Spending



R&D expenditures are adjusted for inflation; curve is a 3-year moving average for NME/NBEs  
Sources: Tufts CSDD; PhRMA, 2014 Industry Profile

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Sources: 1970s, Hansen (1979); 1980s, DiMasi et al. (1991); 1990s-early 2000s, DiMasi et al. (2003); 2000s-early 2010s, Current Study

Unsustainable system: disproportionate R&D expenses...



### Classical Drug-to-patient process







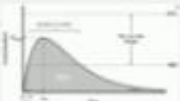




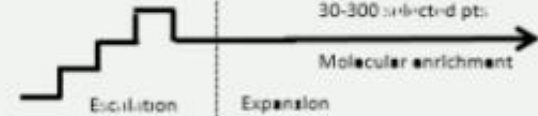
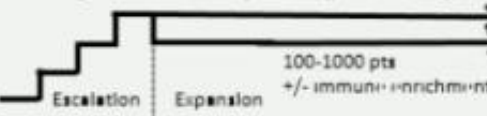
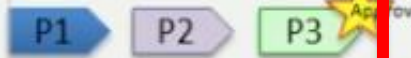
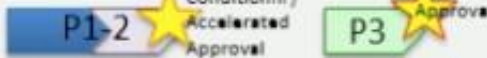
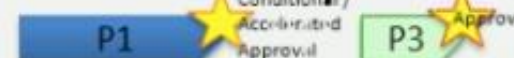
		Clinical Trials			FDA
Discovery/ Preclinical Testing		Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	
Years	6.5	1.5	2	3.5	1.5
Test Population	Laboratory and animal studies	20 to 100 healthy volunteers	100 to 500 patient volunteers	1,000 to 5,000 patient volunteers	Review process/ approval
Purpose	Assess safety, biological activity and formulations	Determine safety and dosage	Evaluate effectiveness, look for side effects	Confirm effectiveness, monitor adverse reactions from long-term use	
Success Rate	5,000 compounds evaluated	5 enter trials			1 approved

File IND at FDA

File NDA/BLA at FDA

Darwinian *adaptation of early clinical trials designs* to the characteristics of the different families of drugs in early clinical development

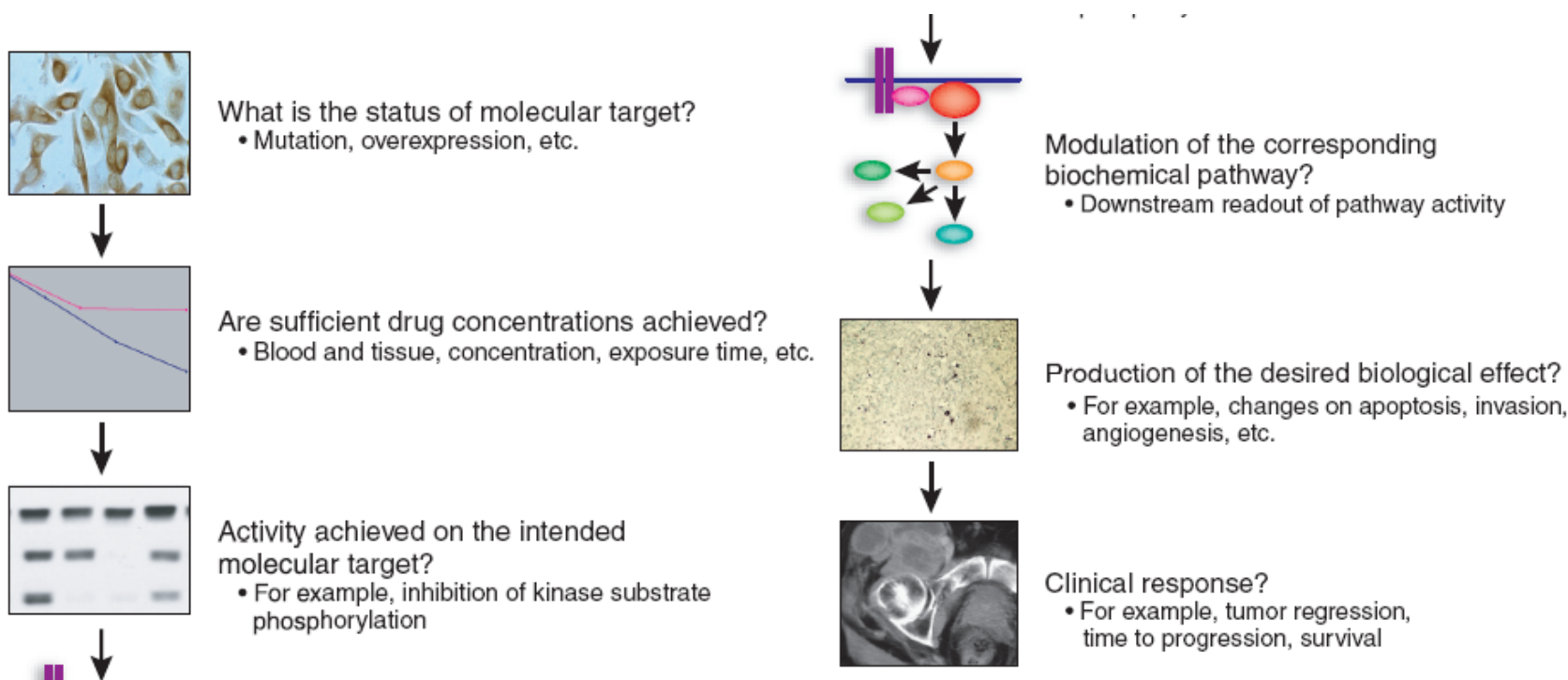
	CYTOTOXICS	“TARGETED”	IO
Early Clinical Trial DESIGN	“Classical”	“Precision Medicine”	“Seamless”
Paradigm	3+3	Basket, Umbrella, N of 1	Ph1b/2
What to do after RD is found?	Histology-specific Ph2	Target-based Ph2	Wide spectrum, octopus, Ph2
Goal	Ph3	Signal finding/ Fast-track	Signal finding and confirmation/ Registration

	Cytotoxic chemotherapy	> Molecularly Targeted Agents	> Immuno-stimulatory Agents
Patients number	 <p>30-50 unselected patients</p>	 <p>Target enrichment → 30-200 molecularly selected patients</p>	 <p>Immune enrichment → 100-1000 Immunologically selected patients</p> <p>Pts # Selected Unselected</p>
Route of administration	<p>IV &gt; oral</p> 	<p>Oral &gt; IV</p> 	<p>Novel routes of administration (Intra-tumoral)</p> 
Toxicity	<p>DLTs</p> <p>MTD quasi-systematically reached</p>	<p>MTD unconstantly reached</p>	<p>MTD rarely reached → MAD</p>
PK/PD - biomarkers	<p>Traditional PK Limited PD</p> 	<p>OBD → Important PK/PD modelling</p>  	<p>MIAD? → Weak PK-PD relationship</p> 
Design	<p>Traditional 3+3 dose-escalation design</p>  <p>20-30 pts</p>	<p>3+3 dose-escalation design with large expansion cohorts in selected populations</p>  <p>30-300 selected pts Molecular enrichment</p>	<p>Accelerated titration / adaptive design Multiple parallel expansion cohorts Long-term follow-up + Drug rechallenge</p>  <p>100-1000 pts +/- immune enrichment</p>
Drug approval	<p>Based on later phase 2 or 3 trials</p>  <p>P1 P2 P3 Approval</p>	<p>Conditional or accelerated approval based on large molecularly selected expansion cohorts</p>  <p>P1-2 Conditional / Accelerated Approval P3 Approval</p>	<p>Conditional or accelerated approval based on histology and immune-biomarker selected expansion cohorts</p>  <p>P1 Conditional / Accelerated Approval P3 Approval</p>
Drug development timeframe	10 years	5-8 years	<5 years

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### “Pharmacological Audit Trail”



*Workman P. Nature Chemical Biology 12, 689-700, 2006*

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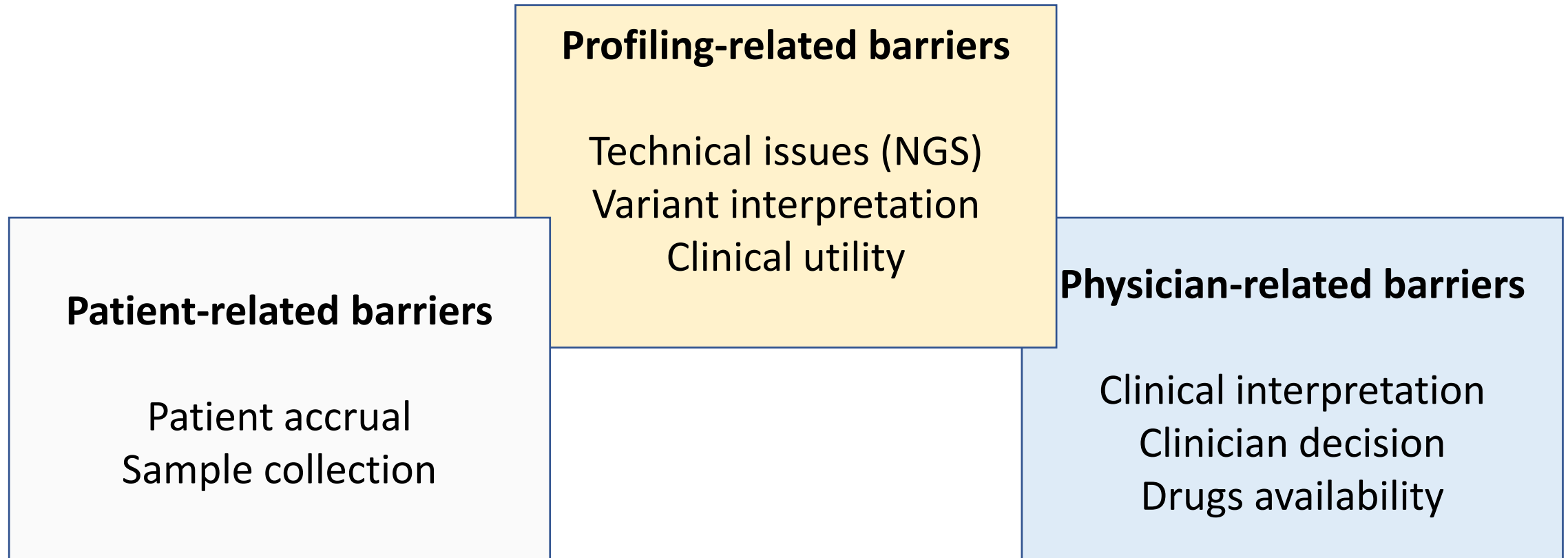
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# From molecular profiling to genotype-drug matching

Implementation barriers and knowledge gaps in practice



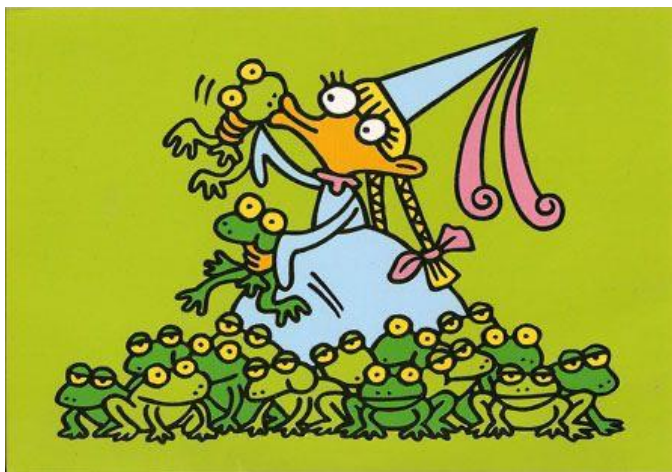


### Estimation of the Percentage of US Patients With Cancer Who Benefit From Genome-Driven Oncology

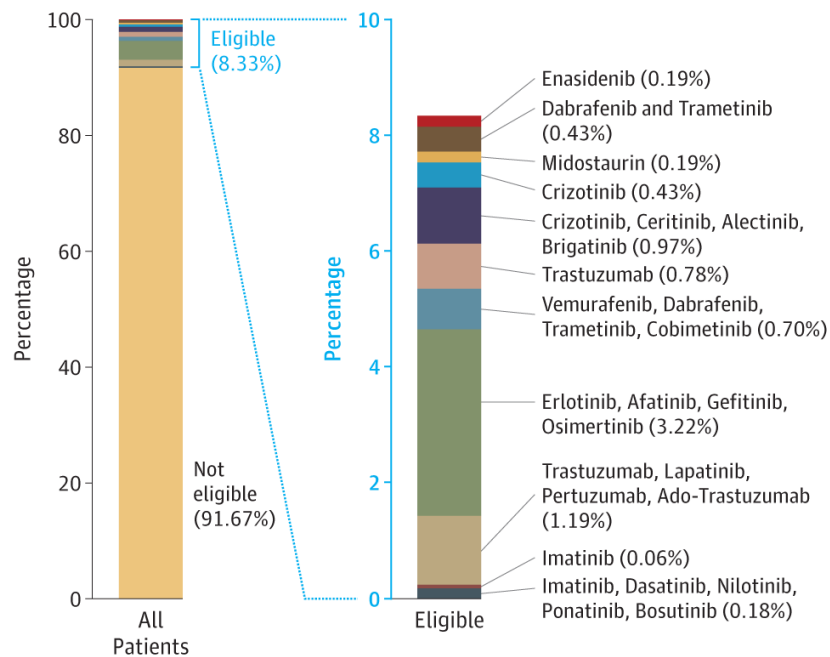
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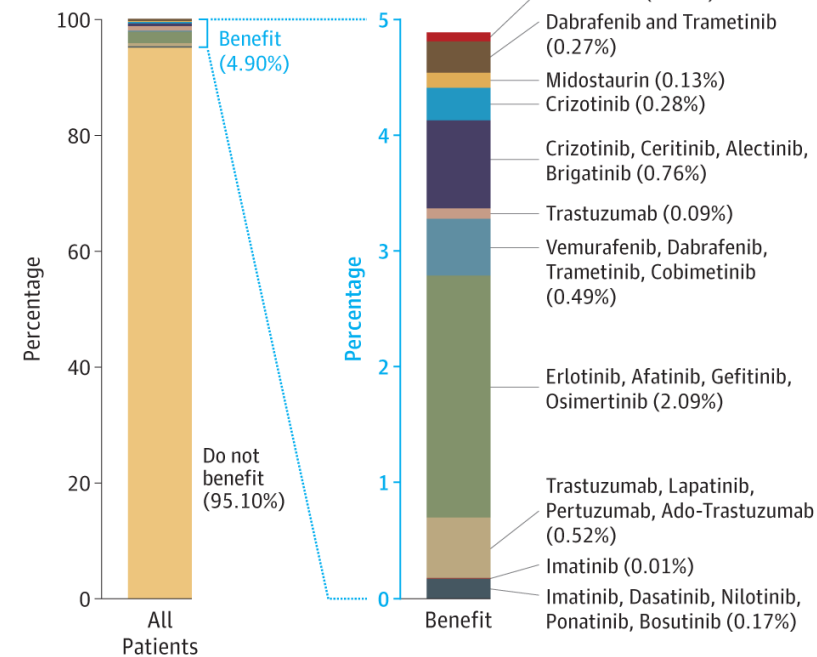
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**A** Genomically targeted eligible 2018



**B** Genomically targeted benefit 2018





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### *Number needed to analyze: biomarker-driven clinical research*

$$\text{NNS} = \frac{1}{\text{(fraction with biomarker X assay specificity)} \times \text{fraction trial-eligible} \times \text{fraction giving informed consent}}$$

	Fraction with biomarker	Assay specificity	fraction trial-eligible	fraction accepting participation	Pt Needed to Analyze
HER2+ in Breast cancer	25%	90%	70%	50%	13
ALK fusion in NSCLC	5%	90%	70%	50%	63
FGFR fusion in GBM (freq 3-8%)	3%	90%	70%	50%	105

## Cancer Therapy Directed by Comprehensive Genomic Profiling: A Single Center Study

Jennifer J. Wheler<sup>1</sup>, Filip Janku<sup>1</sup>, Aung Naing<sup>1</sup>, Yali Li<sup>2</sup>, Bettzy Stephen<sup>1</sup>, Ralph Zinner<sup>1</sup>, Vivek Subbiah<sup>1</sup>, Siqing Fu<sup>1</sup>, Daniel Karp<sup>1</sup>, Gerald S. Falchook<sup>3</sup>, Apostolia M. Tsimberidou<sup>1</sup>, Sarina Piha-Paul<sup>1</sup>, Roosevelt Anderson<sup>1</sup>, Danxia Ke<sup>1</sup>, Vincent Miller<sup>2</sup>, Roman Yelensky<sup>2</sup>, J. Jack Lee<sup>4</sup>, David S. Hong<sup>1</sup>, and Razelle Kurzrock<sup>5</sup>

**32%**

Molecular profiling not done\*  
(*n* = 161)

\* Insufficient/no tissue, *n* = 111; expired/hospice before tissue could be obtained, *n* = 37; failed report/sequencing, *n* = 6; commercial NGS done (therefore excluded), *n* = 4; not willing to be treated, *n* = 2; withdrew from study, *n* = 1.

Molecular profiling done  
(*n* = 339)

**5%**

No molecular alteration  
(*n* = 17)

≥1 Molecular alteration  
(*n* = 322)

**42%**

Excluded from analysis\*\*  
(*n* = 134)

**38%**

Patients included in the analysis  
(*n* = 188)

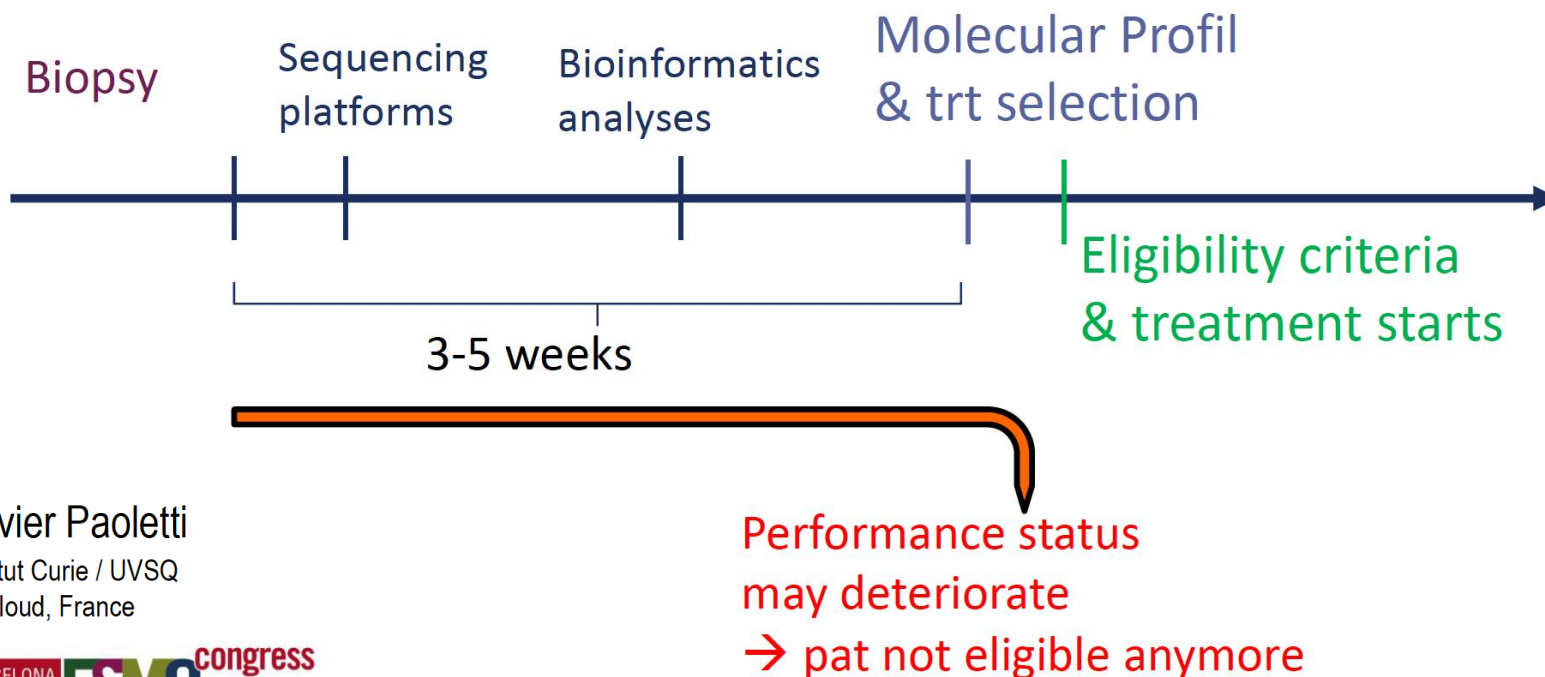
\*\* Never received new evaluable treatment after consent, *n* = 124 (hospice/expired before treatment could be initiated, *n* = 79; still on prior therapy, *n* = 32; lost to follow-up, *n* = 8; refused *n* = 4; watchful waiting only, *n* = 1); prior immunotherapy, *n* = 6; unclear action of drug, *n* = 3; stem cell transplant, *n* = 1.

Matched therapy  
(*n* = 122)

Unmatched therapy  
(*n* = 66)

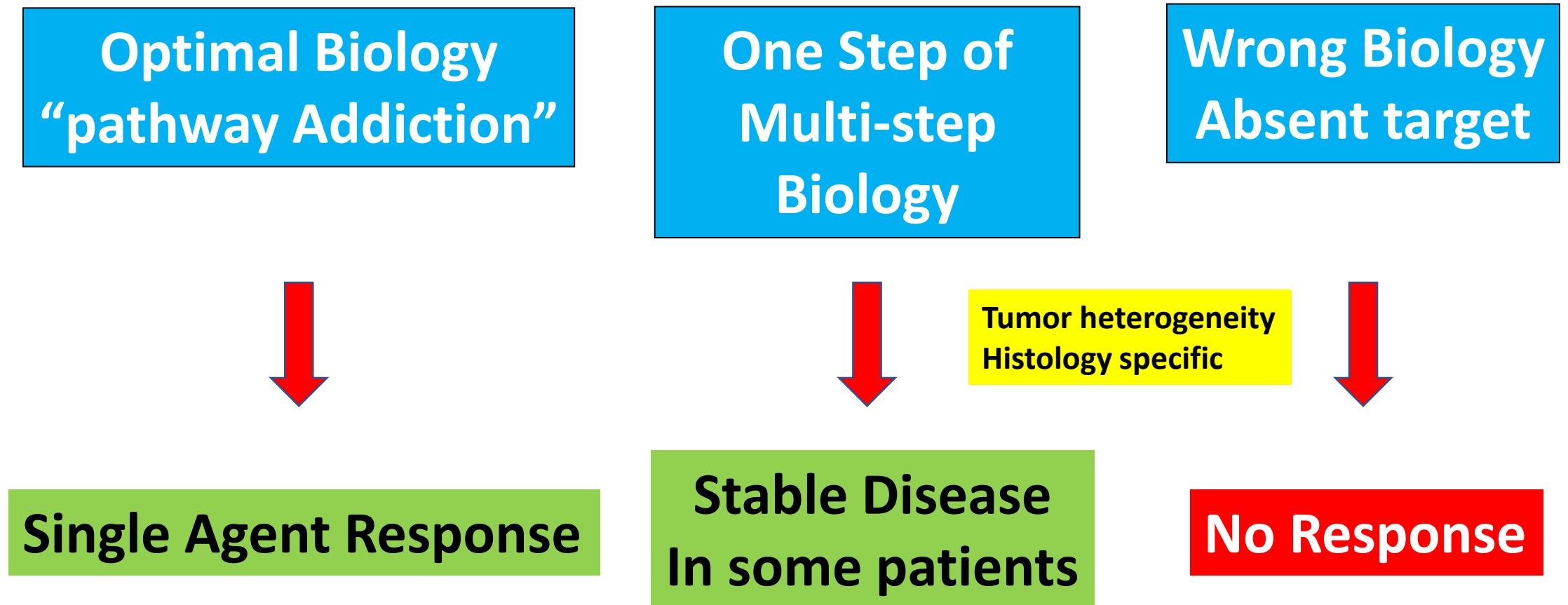
### A closer look at non randomized trials Risk of attrition (selection) bias

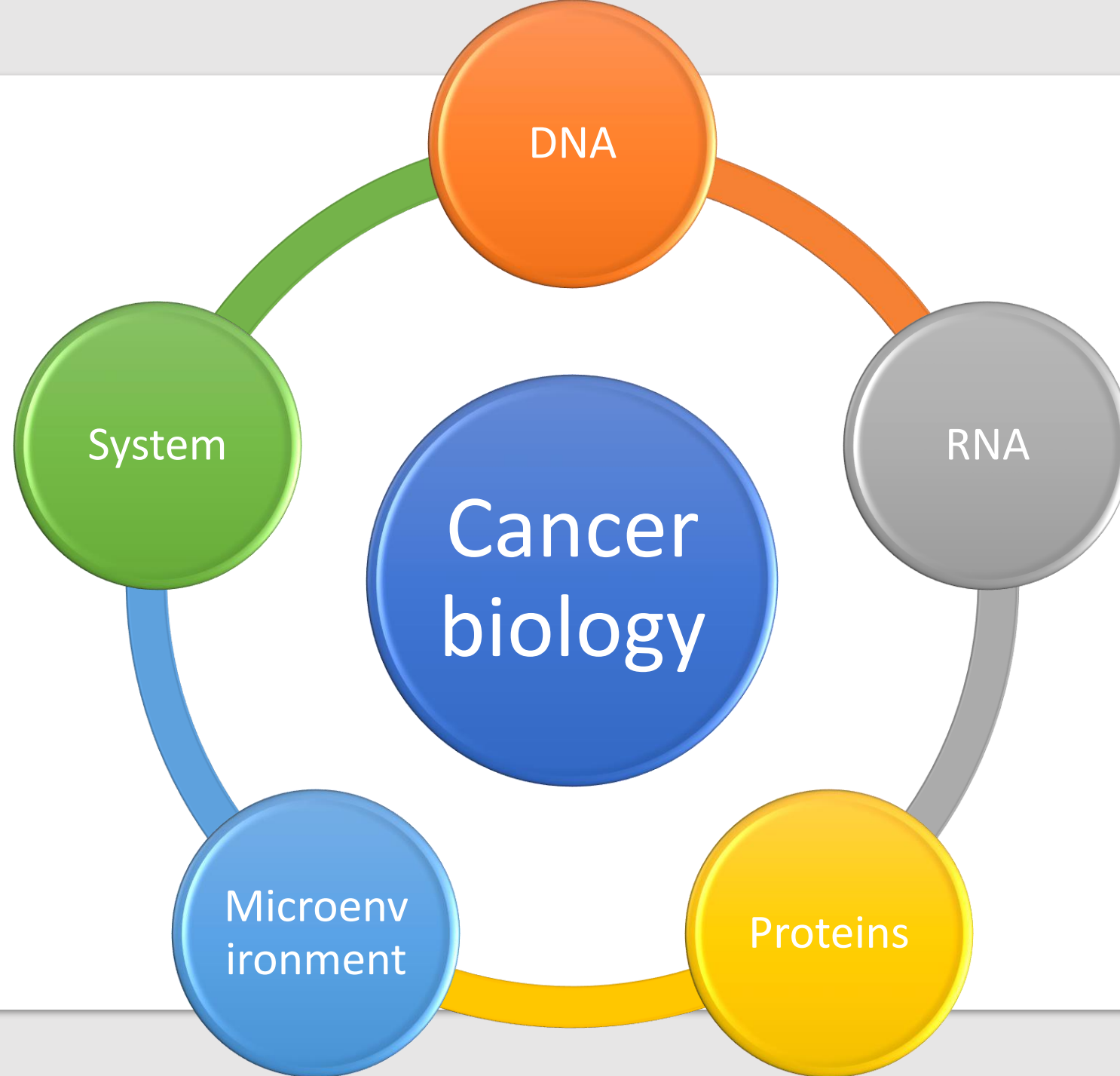
- ♦ In practice, molecular profile takes time !



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# Target specific agents: three types of potential outcomes





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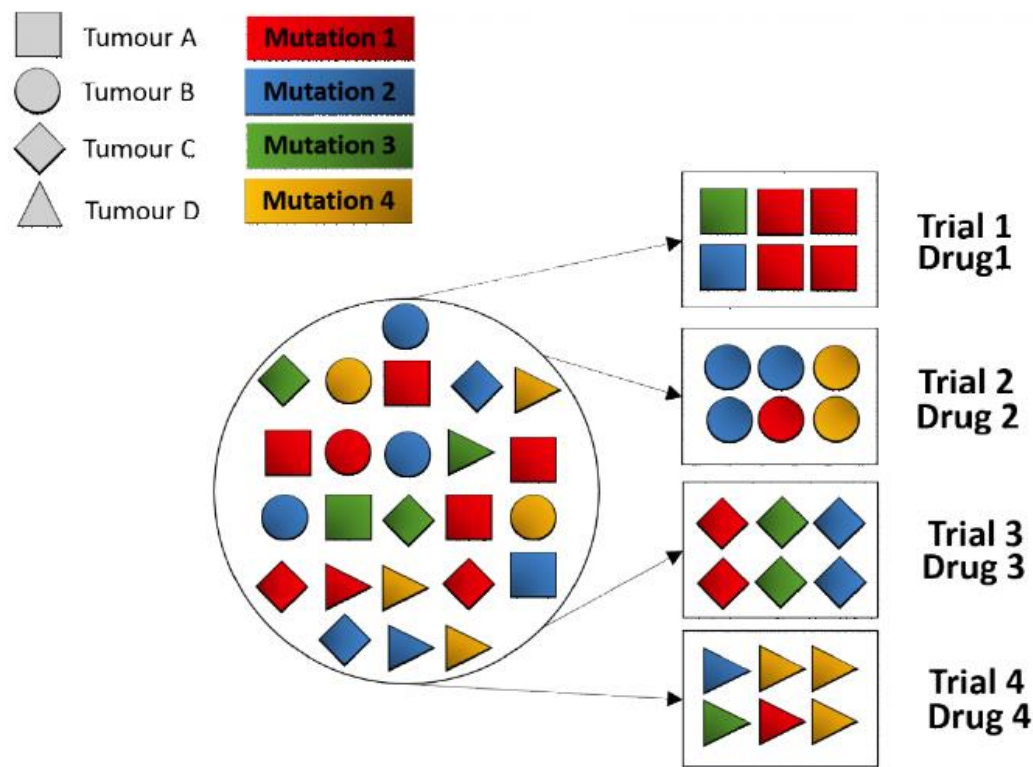
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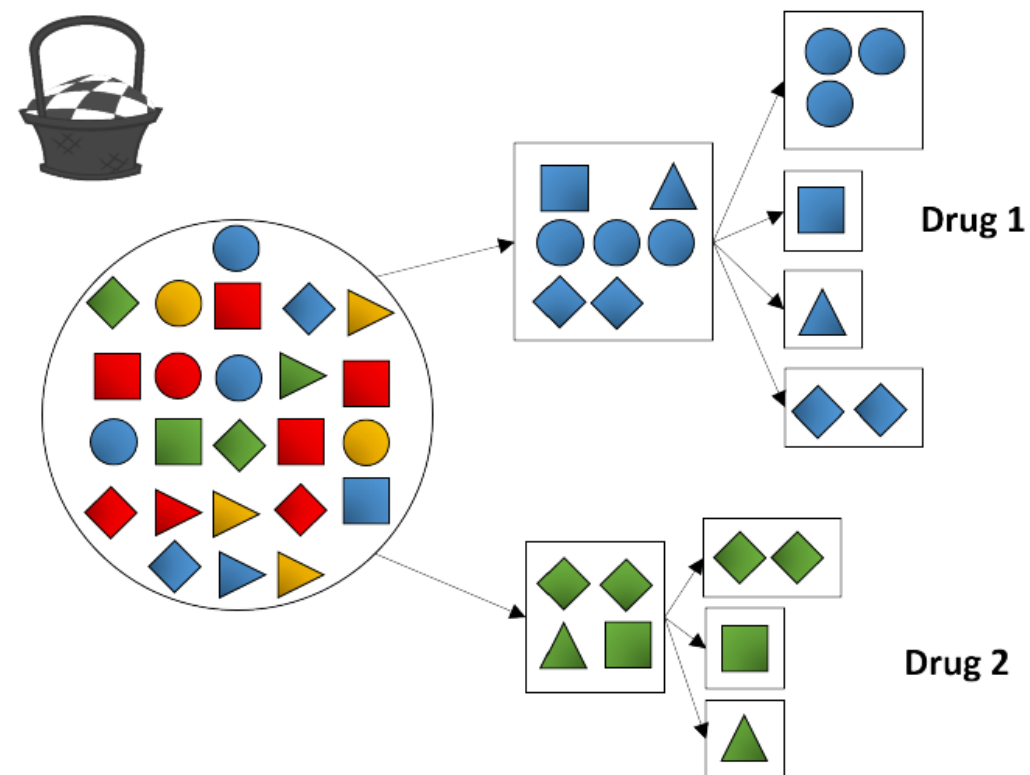
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### Traditional histology-determined treatment allocation



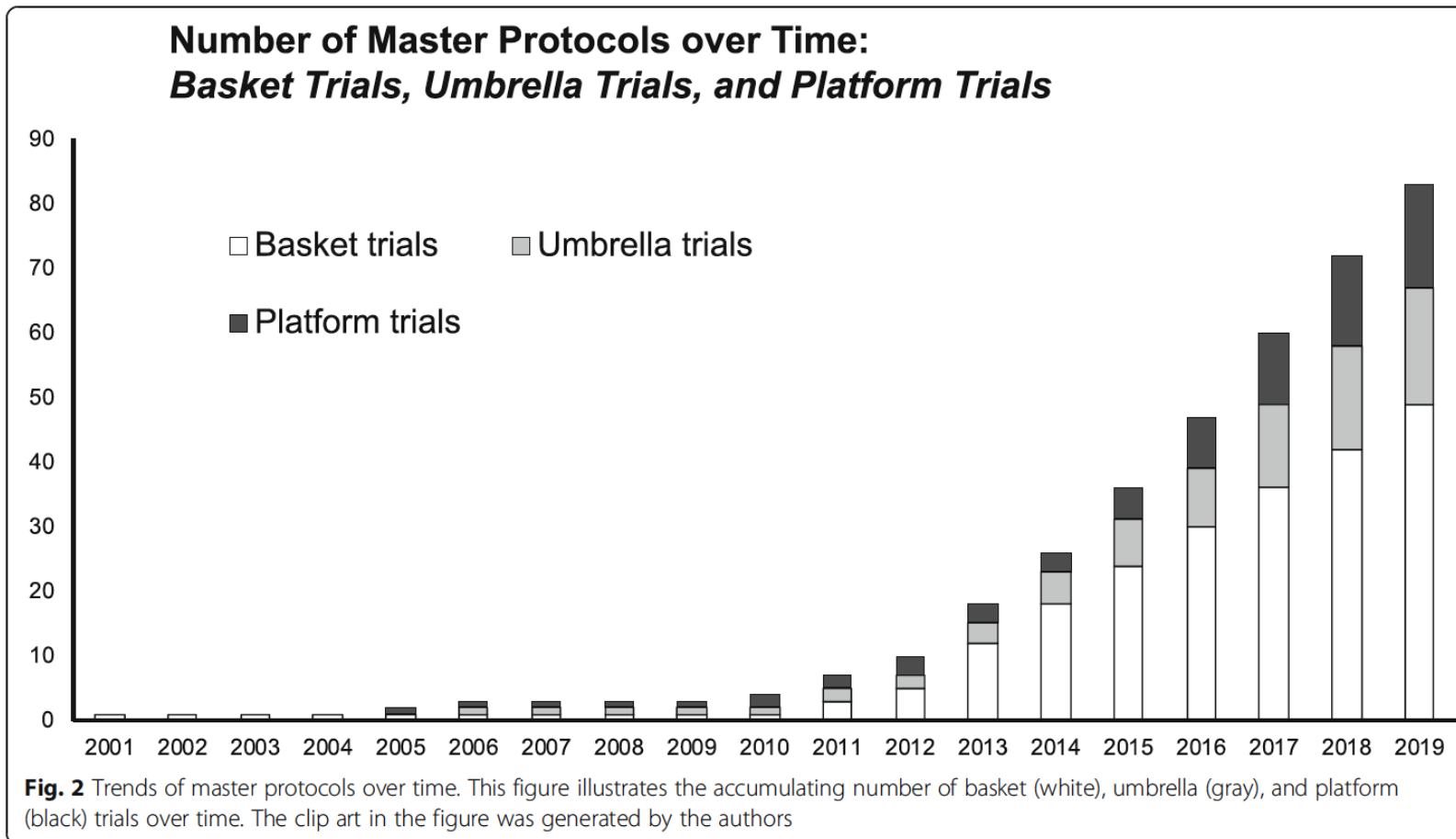
### Histology-agnostic enrollment of marker-defined cohorts





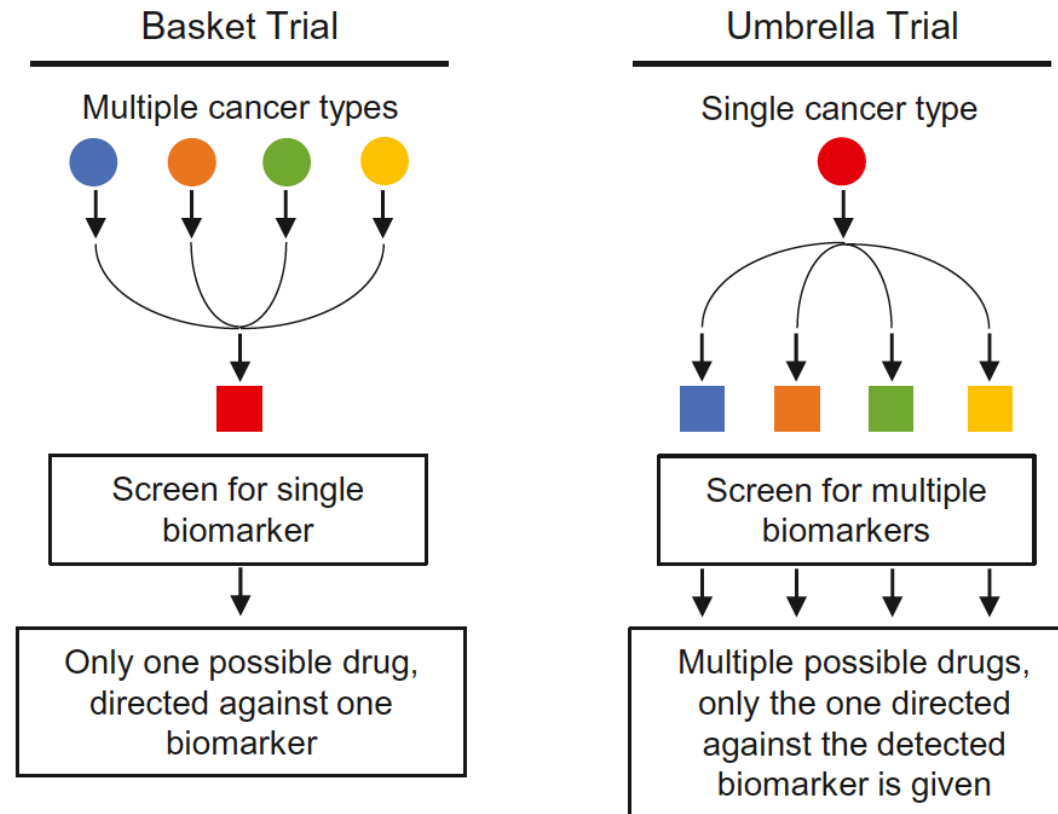
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# Master/Main protocols

CT with a molecular screening process and the ability to evaluate multiple regimens in parallel



## PROS

- Improve screen success rate
- Therapeutic benefit for patients
- Regulatory input for early approval
- More efficient designs
- Umbrella: specific tumor type conclusions
- Basket are interesting for rare tumor

## CONS

- Multiple endpoints = increase of % of false-positive findings
- Ensure type I error is controlled at 2.5%
- Include prespecified endpoints and specifications for interim analysis
- Molecular profiling better than histological typing for treatment?
- High number of patients to be screened
- Possible new standards of care during the trial

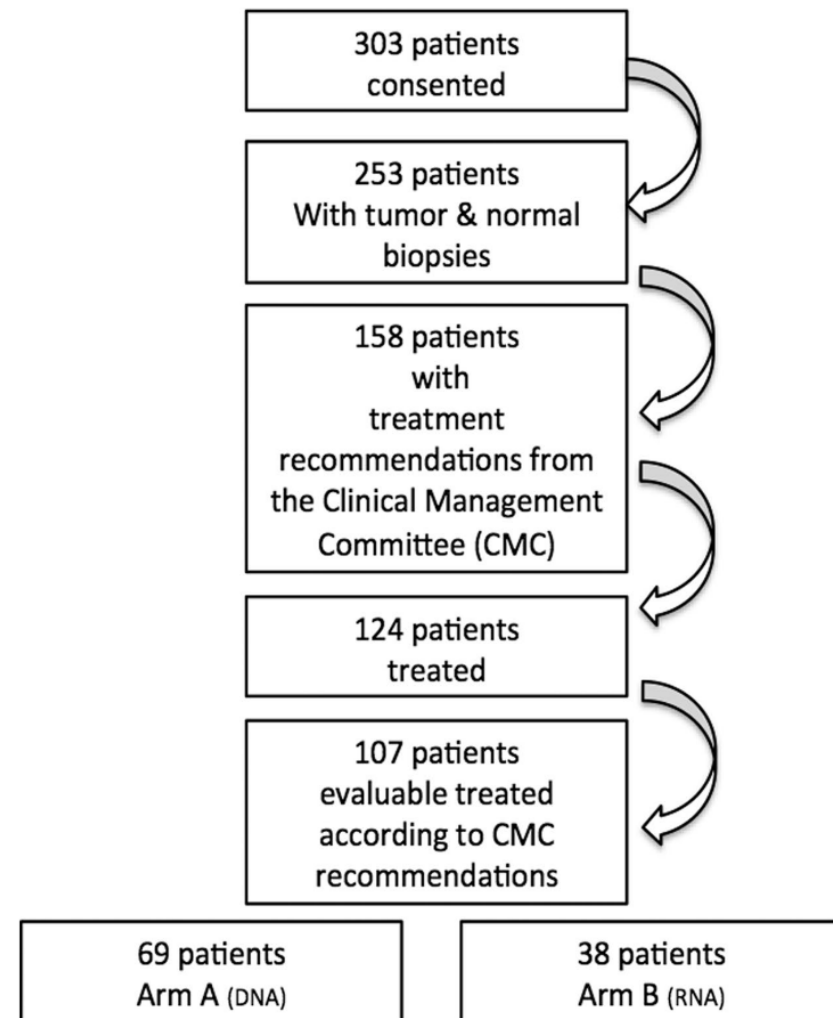
# Genomic and transcriptomic profiling expands precision cancer medicine: the WINTHER trial

Jordi Rodon<sup>1,2,17</sup>, Jean-Charles Soria<sup>3,17</sup>, Raanan Berger<sup>4,17</sup>, Wilson H. Miller<sup>5,17</sup>, Eitan Rubin<sup>6</sup> ,



Endpoint:  
ratio of  $PFS2/PFS1 > 1.5$

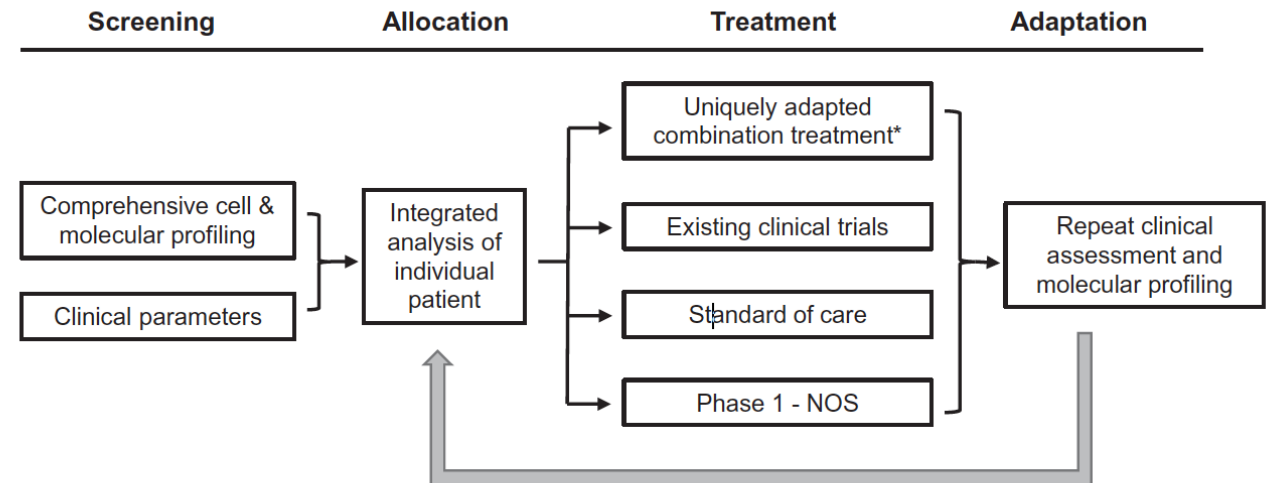
Based on Von Hoff model



Objective: 50% pts      Objective: 50% pts  
Achieved: 20.3% pts    Achieved: 26.3% pts

# Platform trials

- Evaluate multiple TT for one disease through different substudies
- Typically contain a shared control arm and multiple experimental arms
- Allow for the introduction of new treatment arms.



\*treatment options are inclusive: precision and conventional drugs given in known or untested combinations, radiation, surgery.

**Cancer**

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Clinical trial design: Past, present, and future in the context of big data and precision medicine

Allen Li MD, MS, Raymond C. Bergan MD



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### FDA

#### Fast Track

Preliminary nonclinical, mechanistic, or clinical data

#### Breakthrough Therapy

Substantial improvement on clinically significant endpoint(s) over available therapies

#### Accelerated approval

Meaningful advantage over therapies

Demonstrates effect on a surrogate endpoint

### EMA

#### Conditional MA

Are unmet medical needs

The benefit to public health outweighs the potential risks

#### MA exceptional circumstances

-Rare conditions

-Full information is not possible/unethical.

## FDA Grants AMG 510 Fast Track Designation for KRAS G12C+ NSCLC

September 9, 2019  
Lisa Astor



The FDA has granted a fast track designation to AMG 510 for KRAS G12C+ non-small cell lung cancer harboring a KRAS G12C mutation. 2 min read

**Novartis announces MET inhibitor capmatinib (INC280), the first potential treatment for METex14 mutated advanced non-small cell lung cancer, granted priority FDA review**

# FDA grants accelerated approval to pemigatinib for cholangiocarcinoma with an FGFR2 rearrangement or fusion

**FDA approves entrectinib for NTRK solid tumors and ROS-1 NSCLC**

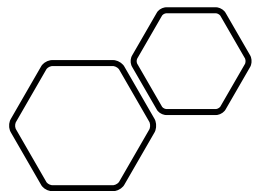
Blueprint Medicines Announces FDA Approval of GAVRETO™ (pralsetinib) for the Treatment of Adults with Metastatic RET Fusion-Positive Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

September 4, 2020 at 7:00 PM EDT

## Conclusions

- Accessible holistic molecular screening for patients
- Better knowledge of tumor biology and drug discovery
- There are still many different barriers to overcome
- Novel drugs need novel designs, adaptive designs
- Appropriate measures are required to ensure validity
- Regulatory agencies lately allow for breakthrough designations or conditional approvals earlier.
  - More patients being treated faster
- Still, faster approval does not bring lower prices and wider access to drugs





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