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Pharmacogenetics

Preemptive genotyping of relevant pharmacogenetic (PGx) genes and HLA typing for known associations with drug metabolism and hypersensitivity enables a clinician to provide a patient with an optimized treatment regimen by maximizing drug efficacy and limiting adverse reactions. There are over 300 actionable genetic variants with dosing guidelines on FDA-approved medications (1). These drugs span a wide range of categories from pain management to cancer, impacting a significant percentage of prescription medication (e.g. codeine, warfarin, allopurinol) (1-3).

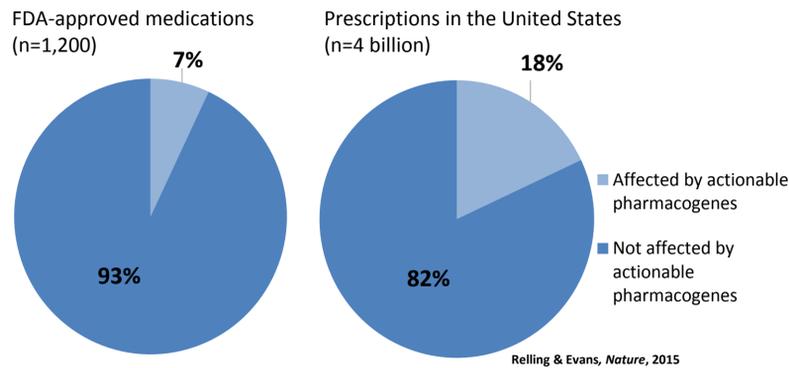


Figure 1. Percentage of medications and prescriptions affected by genotyping of actionable pharmacogenes.

High risk genotypes vary in frequency between different ethnicities, with certain high risk alleles being common in some populations (4).

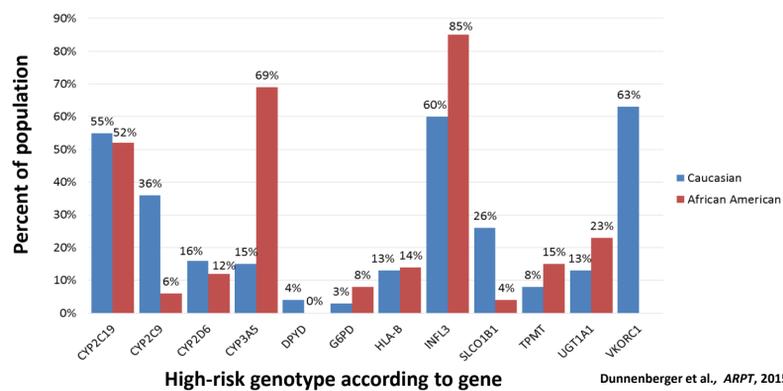


Figure 2. Percentage of individuals predicted to have a high-risk diplotype for 12 PGx relevant genes.

Implementation of preemptive pharmacogenetic testing in combination with phenotypic information allows for personalized drug selection and dosing decisions prior to administration.

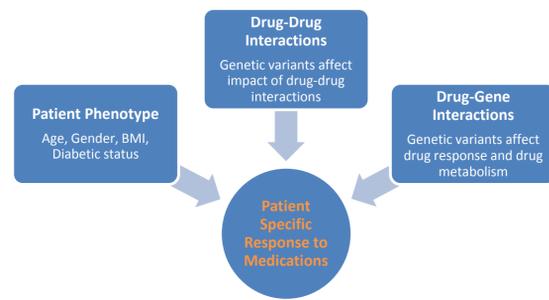


Figure 3. Factors involved in individual patients response to medications.

Comprehensive Pharmacogenetics

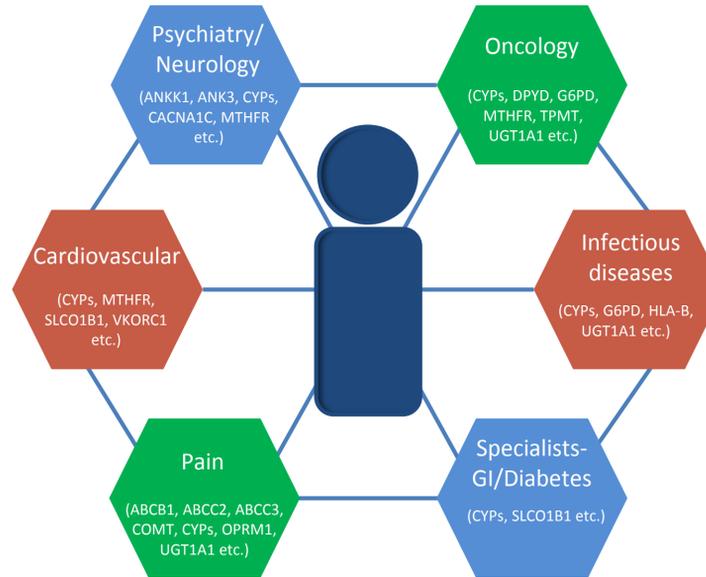


Figure 4. Genes tested on PharmacoScan™ affecting the metabolism of drugs in different clinical categories.

A drug's metabolism may be affected by gene-gene interactions requiring multiple genes to be tested to give accurate dosing recommendations (e.g. warfarin: VKORC1 and CYP2C9) (1,2). Additionally, patients often require multiple medications. The metabolizer status of the genes involved for each drug can affect how the individual will respond if the drugs are taken together (e.g. codeine and propoxyphene) (5). To accurately determine the appropriate selection and dosing of such drugs, a comprehensive genotyping panel is required.

Clinical Implementation of PharmacoScan™

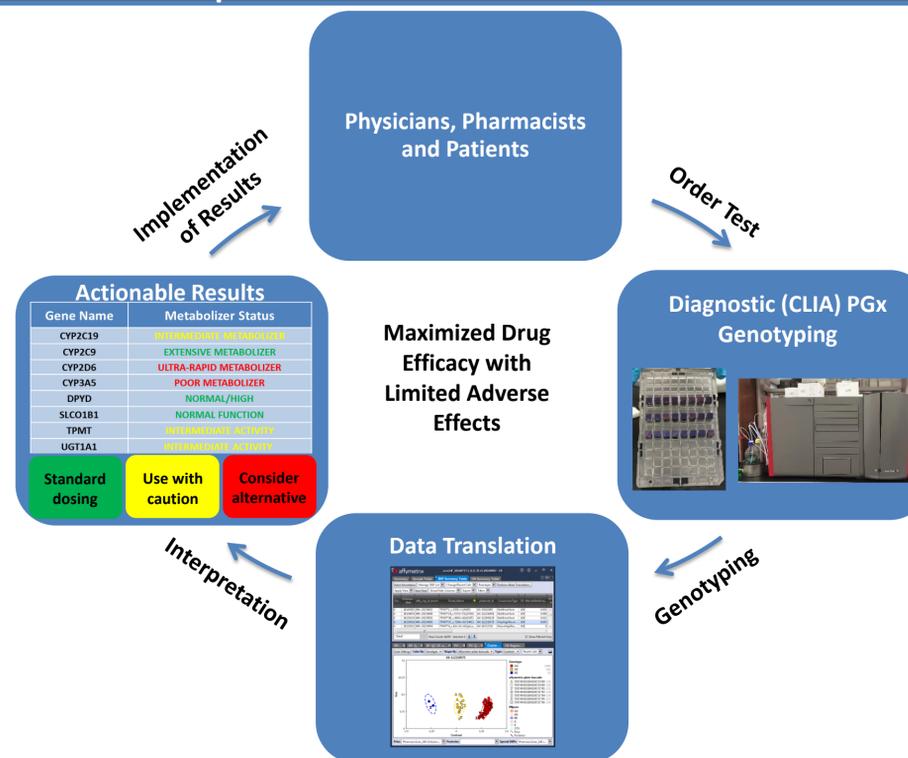


Figure 5. Clinical implementation of Pharmacogenetic testing.

PharmacoScan™ Actionable Genes

Affymetrix's PharmacoScan™ Assay enables genotyping of over 4600 markers in 1191 pharmacogenetic relevant genes in a single test.

CPIC genes	Haplotype calling genes	Copy number genes
CFTR	CDA	CYP2A6
CYP2C9	CYP2E1	CYP2D6
CYP2C19	CYP2F1	GSTM1
CYP1A1	CYP2J2	UGT1A10
CYP2D6	CYP2S1	UGT1A1
CYP3A5	CYP3A43	UGT1A3
DPYD	CYP1B1	NAT2
HLA-B	CYP2A13	UGT1A4
IFNL3	CYP3A4	UGT1A6
SLCO1B1	CYP2A6	PTGIS
TPMT	CYP3A5	SLC15A2
UGT1A1	CYP2B6	UGT1A7
VKORC1	CYP3A7	UGT1A8
	CYP4B1	UGT1A9
	CYP4F2	UGT2B15
	DPYD	UGT2B7
	FMO2	SULT1A1
	TBXAS1	VKORC1

Table 1. A subset of actionable genes genotyped on PharmacoScan™ with haplotype and dosing guidelines.

PharmacoScan™ Performance

We have tested approximately 5,000 samples on a variety of PGx platforms. To address the need for improved PGx testing, our CLIA certified lab validated the PharmacoScan™ platform for accuracy and the detection of critical PGx variants utilizing the Get-RM sample set (6). We observed high concordance, in particular, in the CPIC and haplotype calling genes.

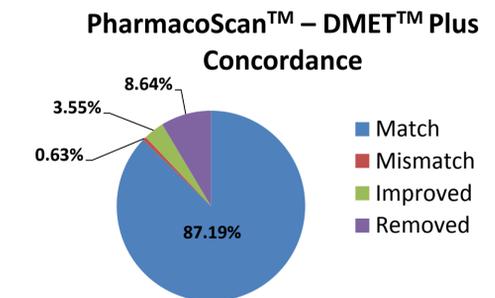


Figure 6. Comparison of genotype calls between PharmacoScan™ and DMET for Coriell Get-RM samples (n=88 samples, for 28 genes).

Conclusion

Data generated on comprehensive platforms can present challenges for interpretation and practical application for both clinicians and patients. As part of our complete diagnostic approach, we developed a workflow to generate quality assured data that is translated in a meaningful and actionable way. In addition to the raw data, we provide translational reports, which include the patient's haplotype-specific metabolizer status based on the CPIC dosing guidelines. Downstream inclusion of this data in the EMR will enable clinicians to preemptively make the most informed drug choices and dosing decisions, providing cost effective and better individualized patient care.

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