

High Quality Clinical Samples: The Key for Reliable Diagnostics and Research

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Deficiencies in Routine Healthcare demand for Improvements



- More than 70% of clinical decisions are based laboratory test results

ADVANCE for Administrators of the Laboratory. July 2005

- Diagnostic errors cause about 10% of all patient deaths and about 17% of adverse events

Institute of Medicine (IOM) Report Sept. 2015



- Pre-analytical phase accounts for 46% to 68% of clinical laboratory errors

Medical Laboratory Observer, May 2014

- Unnecessary expenditure caused by pre-analytical errors in a typical U.S. hospital (~ 650 beds) of ~ \$1.2 million per year

Green SF. Clin Biochem. 2013



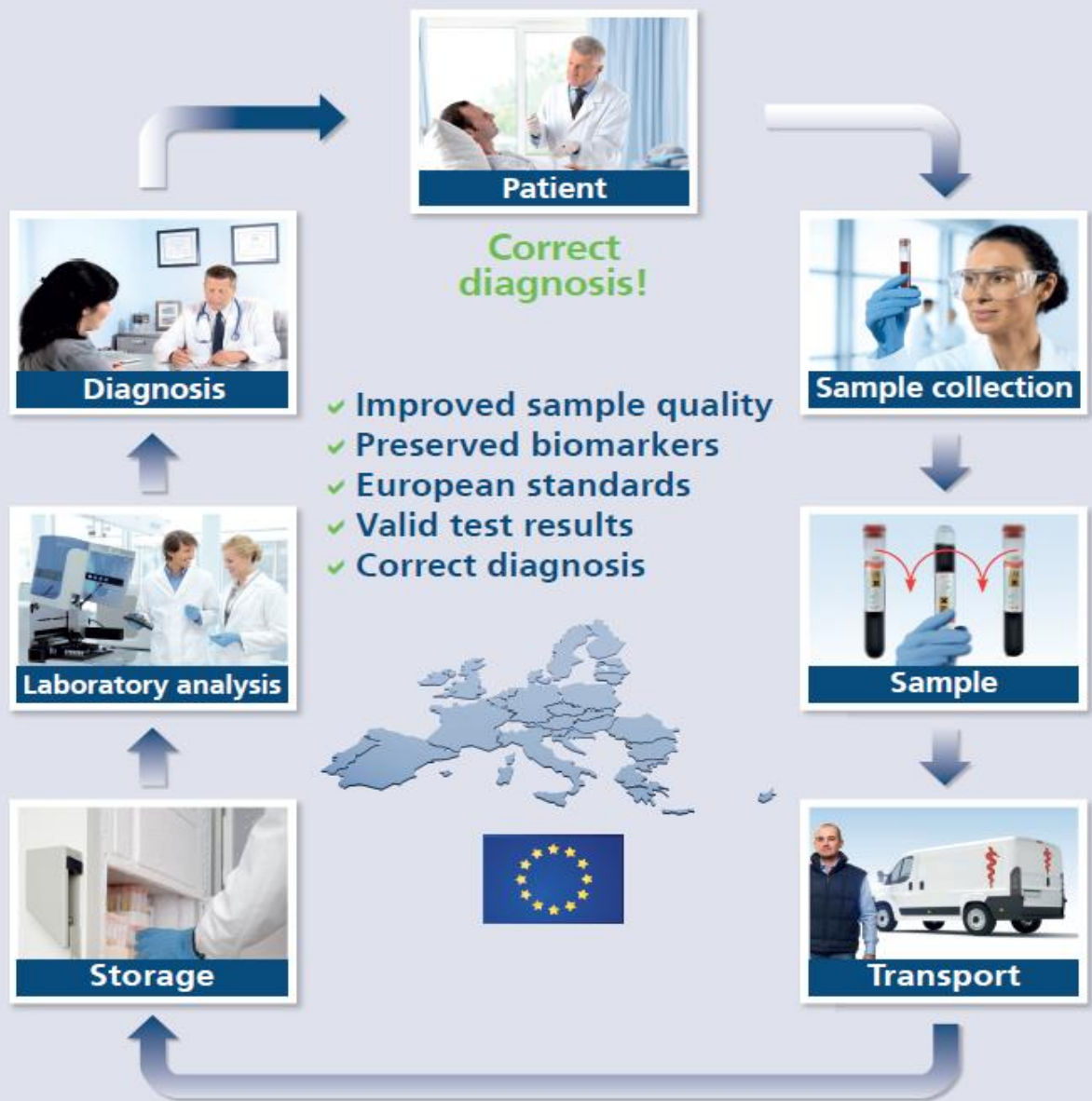
- Researchers from 80% of more than 700 laboratories struggled to obtain standardized specimens for biomarker research

Post G.. Bring on the Biomarkers. Nature 469, 156-157, Jan. 2011

- . . . irreproducible preclinical research exceeds 50%, resulting in approx. US\$28,000,000,000 / year spent on preclinical research that is not reproducible - in the United States alone.

Freedman LP, Cockburn IM, Simcoe TS (2015) PLoS Biol 13(6): e1002165.doi:10.1371/journal.pbio.1002165

⇒ partly caused by pre-analytical errors

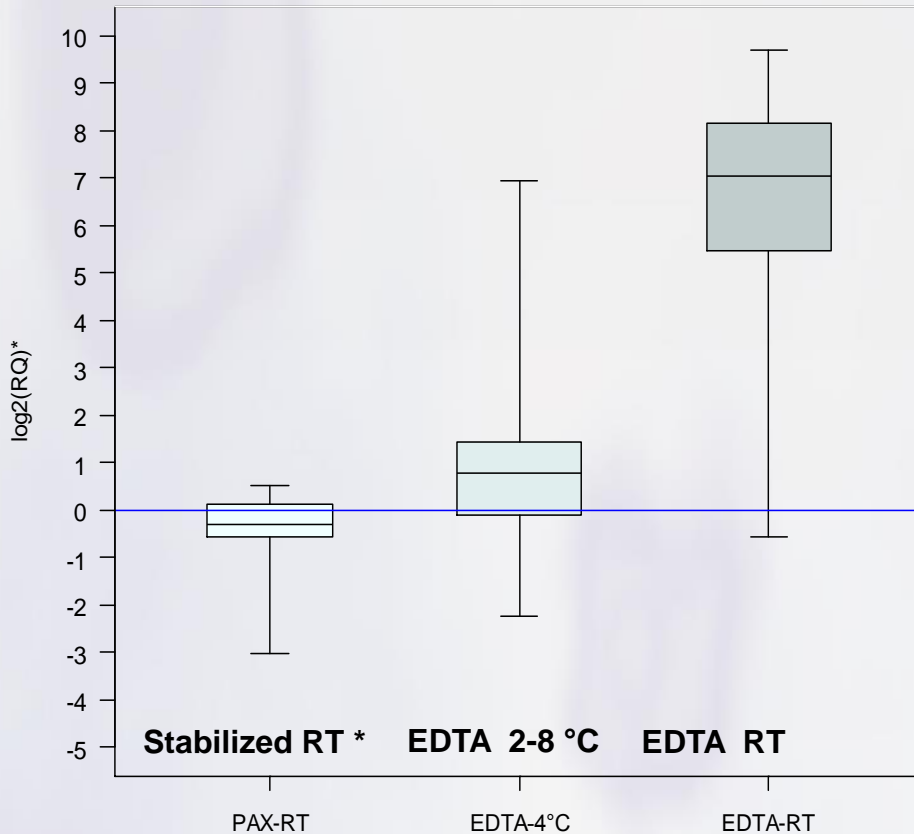


European Conference. Standards: Your Innovation Bridge. Brussels (2014). SPIDIA Booth.

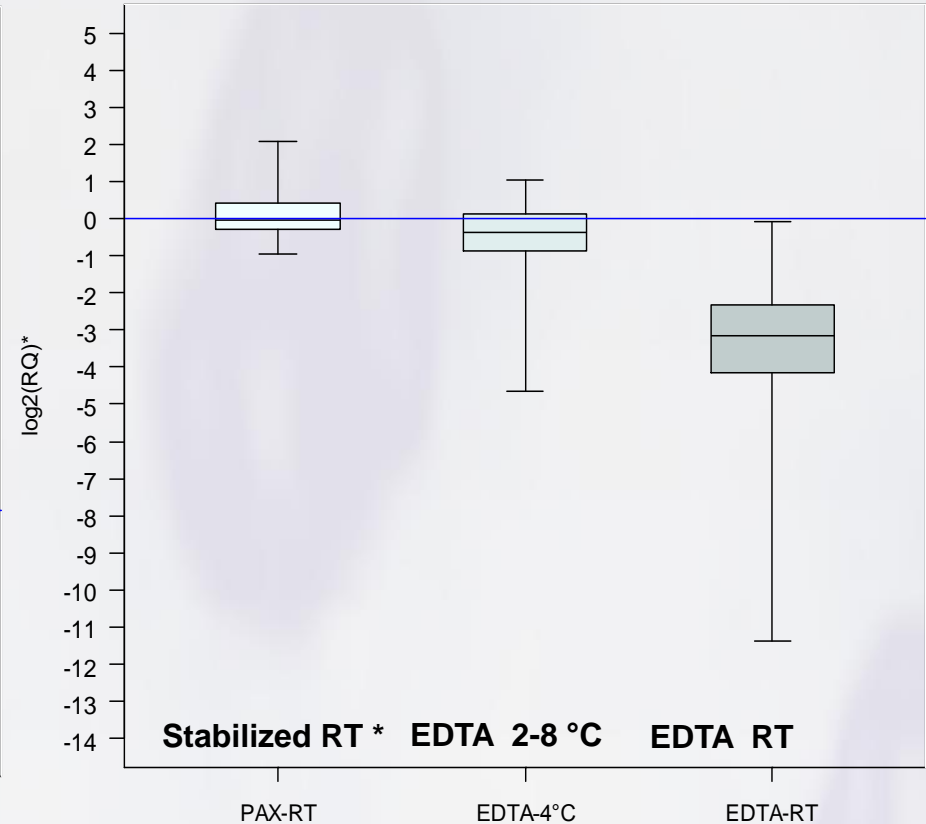


Changes of Blood Cellular RNA Profile: 48 Hours After Collection

Up-regulated FOSB mRNA level



Down-regulated TNFRS mRNA level



* PAXgene Blood RNA

Malentacchi F et al. (2014). *SPIDIA-RNA: Second External Quality Assessment for the Pre-Analytical Phase of Blood Samples Used for RNA Based Analyses*. *PLoS ONE* 9(11): e112293.

Zhan H et al. (2014). *Biomarkers for Monitoring Pre-Analytical Quality Variation of mRNA in Blood Samples*. *PLoS ONE* 9(11): e111644.

- **Technologies** for securing high quality samples
- **International Standards** for pre-analytical workflows

SPIDIA – FP7 (2008 – 2013)

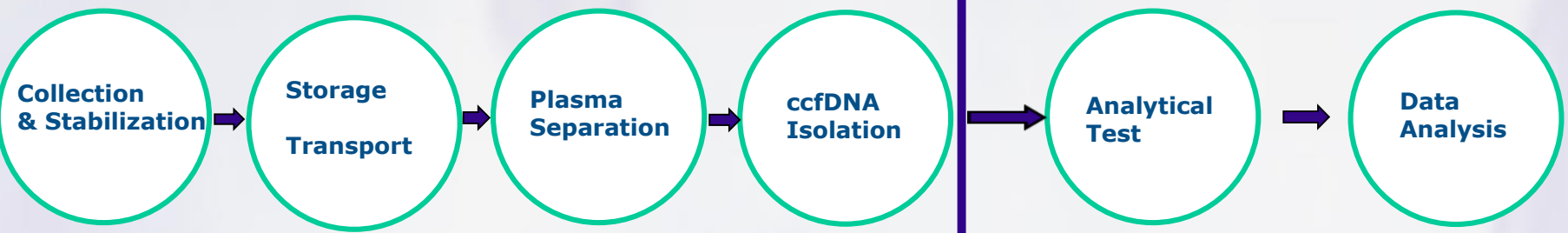
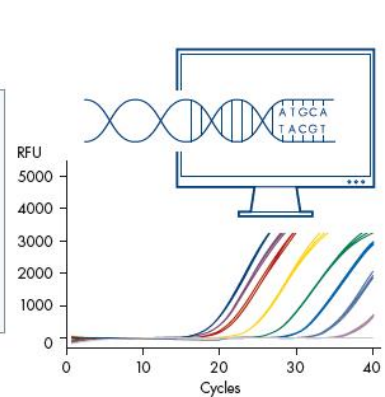
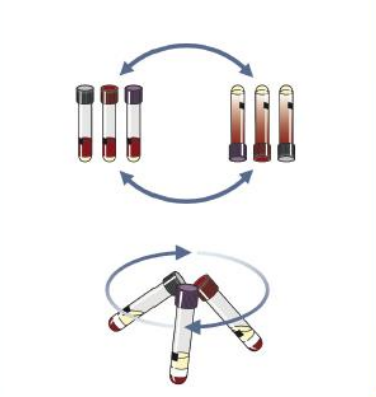
- ⇒ 16 Partners
- Co-work with BBMRI
- New technologies for sample collection, stabilization, processing, transport, storage (Blood, Tissues)
- 9 EU CEN Standards

SPIDIA4P – H2020 (2017 – 2020)

- ⇒ 19 Partners including BBMRI-ERIC
- ⇒ 14 associated consortia & stakeholders
- 13 additional new CEN & ISO Standards
- EQAs
- European implementation



QIASymphony





■ Biobanks

- Source for high quality samples
- ⇒ BBMRI-ERIC plays a central role

■ Biomedical & Translational Research

- Academia
- Pharma industry
- Diagnostic Industry

■ Diagnostics

- High sample quality is the safe way
- Analytical assay might tolerate lower quality or not ⇒ Validation studies

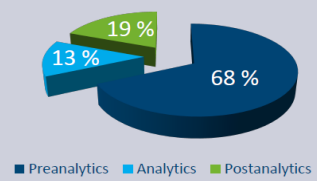


- 2017: Progressing to ISO/FDIS
- 2014: 8 new projects for ISO Standards approved in ISO/TC 212 „Clinical laboratory testing and in vitro diagnostic test systems“

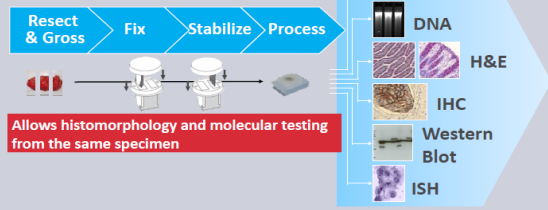


- 2015: 9 CEN Technical Specifications published
- 2013: 9 new projects approved in CEN/TC 140 „In vitro diagnostic medical devices“
- 2010: Start of standardization work

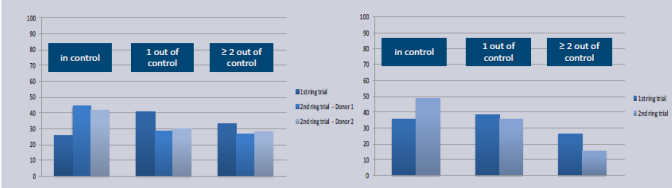
1. Problem - Errors in Diagnostics



2. Technical Solutions

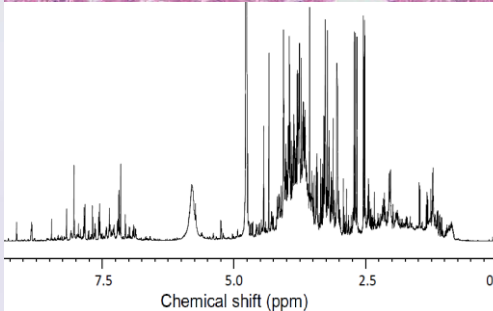
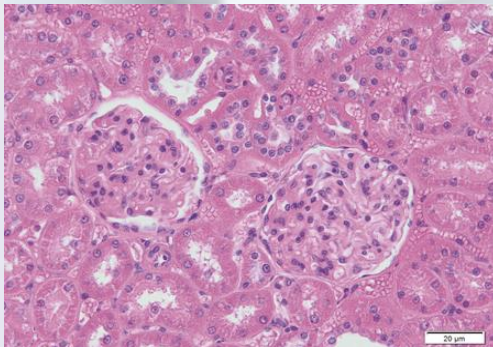
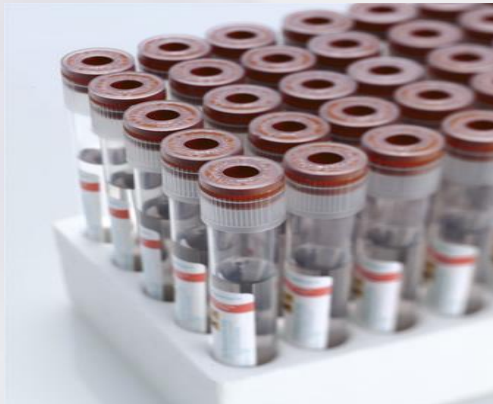


3. Ring-Trials – Blood RNA (l.) and DNA (r.)



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- Pre-analytical phase: all steps from the clinicians requests to the beginning of the analytical examination

- Molecular in-vitro diagnostic examinations - Specifications for pre-examination processes for
 - blood — Cellular RNA
 - blood — Genomic DNA
 - blood — Circulating cell free DNA

 - FFPE tissue — DNA
 - FFPE tissue — RNA
 - FFPE tissue — Proteins
 - frozen tissue — RNA
 - frozen tissue — Proteins

 - metabolomics in urine, serum and plasma

⇒ BBMRI-ERIC plays central role for implementation

ISO/IS expected for 2018

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CEN/TS 16835-3
 SPÉCIFICATION TECHNIQUE
 TECHNISCHE SPEZIFIKATION October 2015

ICS 11.100.30

English Version

Molecular in vitro diagnostic examinations - Specifications for pre-examination processes for venous whole blood - Part 3: Isolated circulating cell free DNA from plasma

Tests de diagnostic moléculaire in vitro - Spécifications relatives aux processus pré-analytiques pour le sang total veineux - Partie 3: ADN libre circulant extrait du plasma

Molekularanalytische in-vitro-diagnostische Verfahren - Spezifikationen für präanalytische Prozesse für venöse Vollblutproben - Teil 3: Aus Plasma isolierte zirkulierende zellfreie DNS

This Technical Specification (CEN/TS) was approved by CEN on 31 August 2015 for provisional application.

The period of validity of this CEN/TS is limited initially to three years. After two years the members of CEN will be requested to submit their comments, particularly on the question whether the CEN/TS can be converted into a European Standard.

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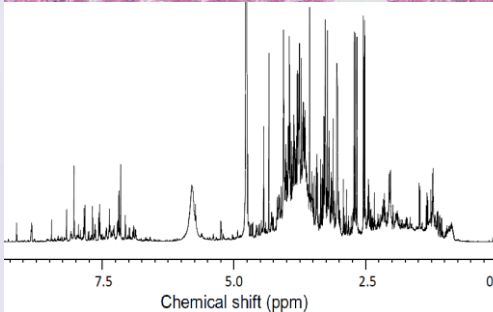
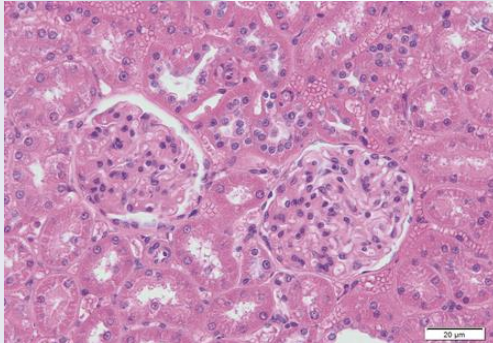
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- Venous whole blood — CTCs: DNA, RNA, stains & proteins
- Venous whole blood – Exosomes: nucleic acids; ccfRNA
- Urine & other body fluids – cfDNA
- Saliva – Human DNA
- Saliva and stool – Microbiome DNA
- Frozen Tissue – DNA
- Fine Needle Aspirates (FNAs) – DNA, RNA, proteins
- Metabolomics of body fluids: International ISO Standard
- FFPE Tissue – in situ stainings incl. IHC

- New European In Vitro Diagnostic Regulation in force since May 2017

- Also pre-analytical workflow parameters become mandatory (IVDR)
 - 6. PRODUCT VERIFICATION AND VALIDATION (Annex II)
 - 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

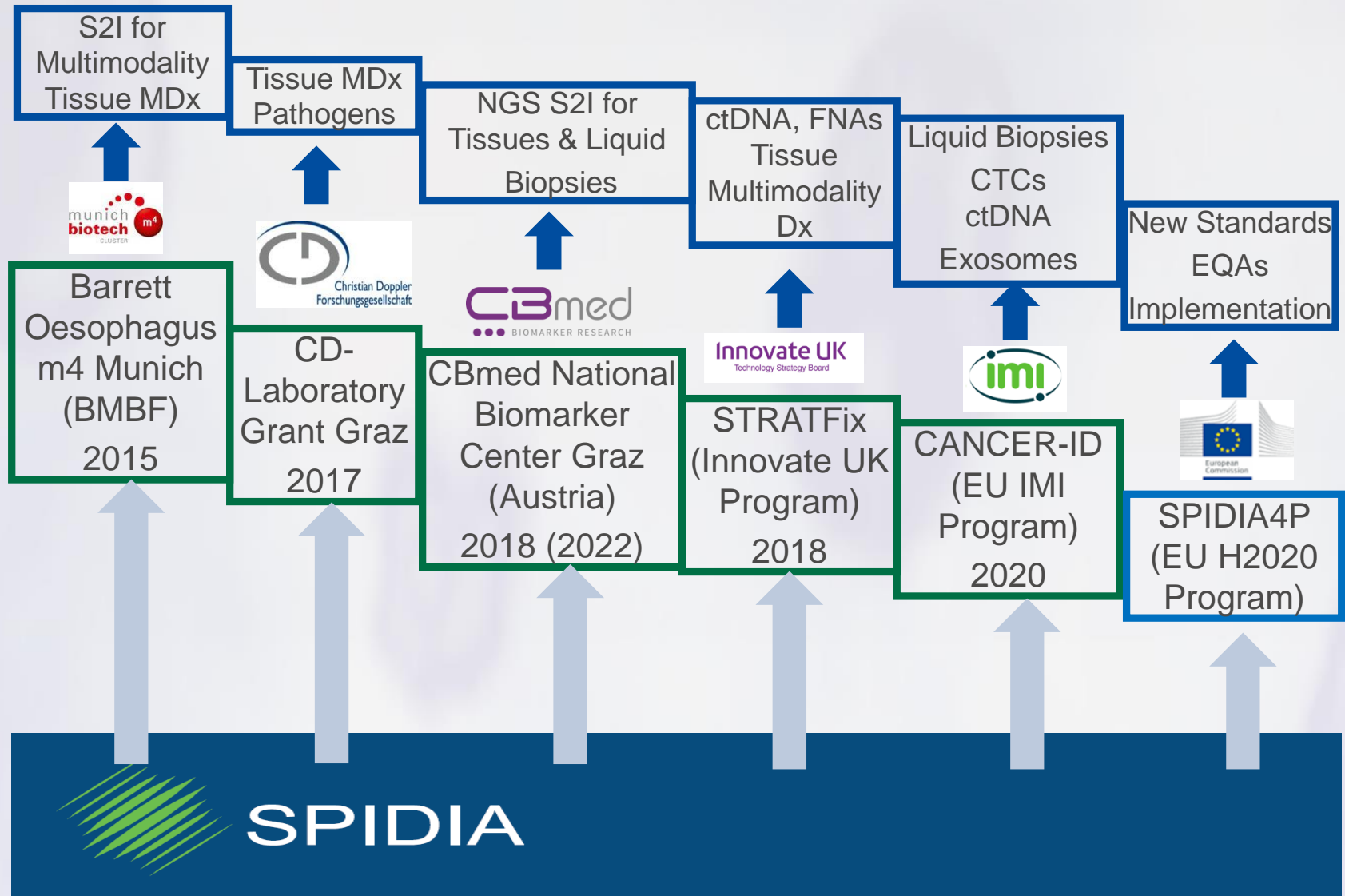
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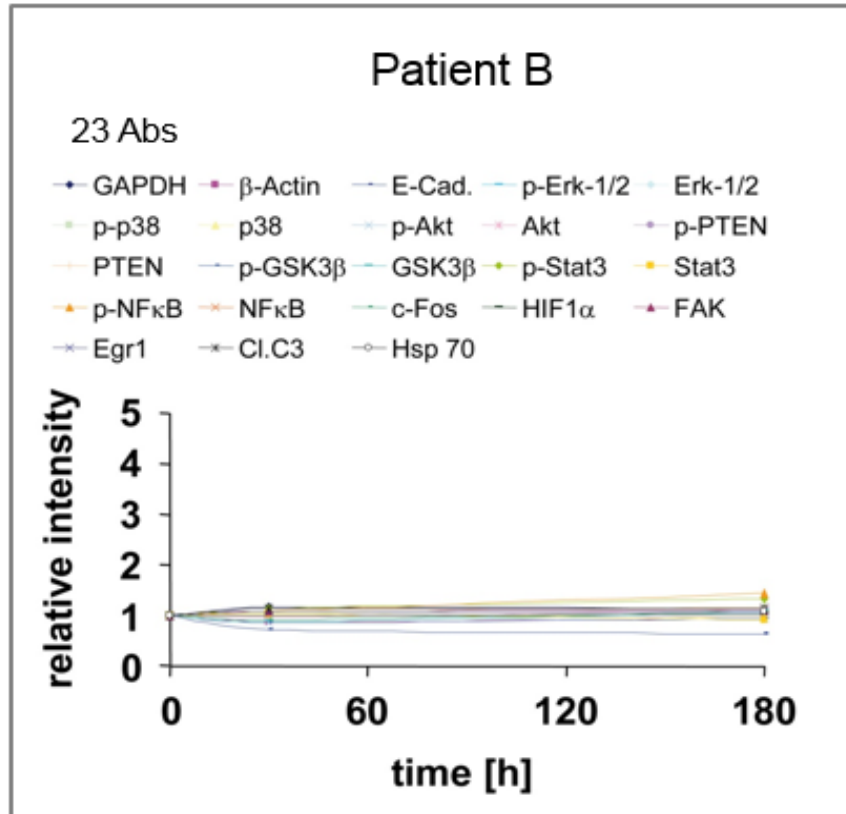
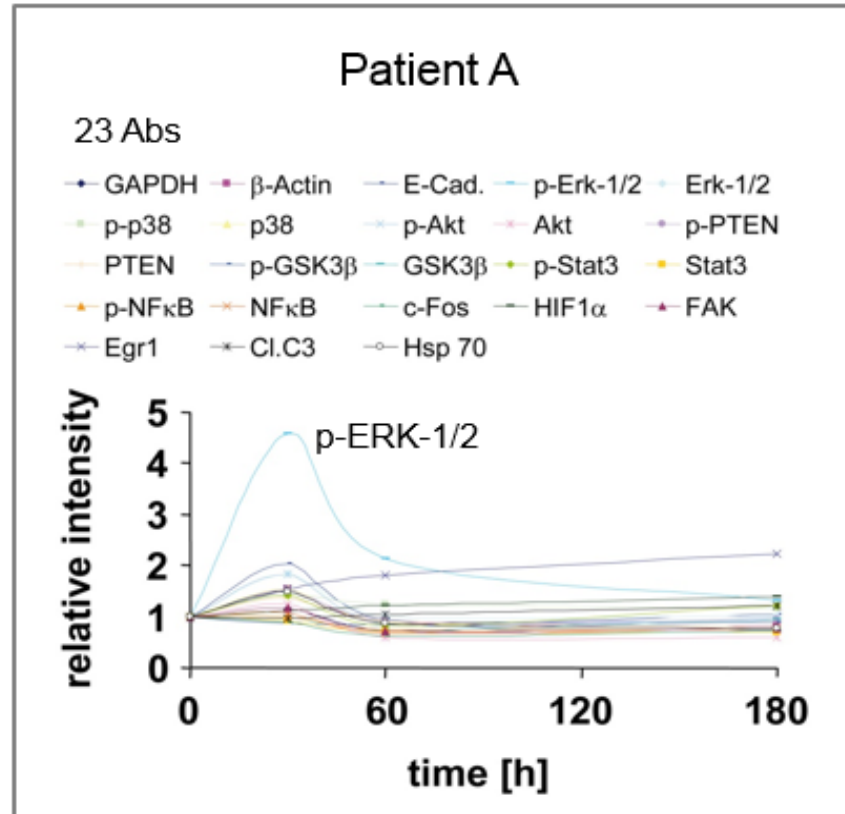
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Questions ?





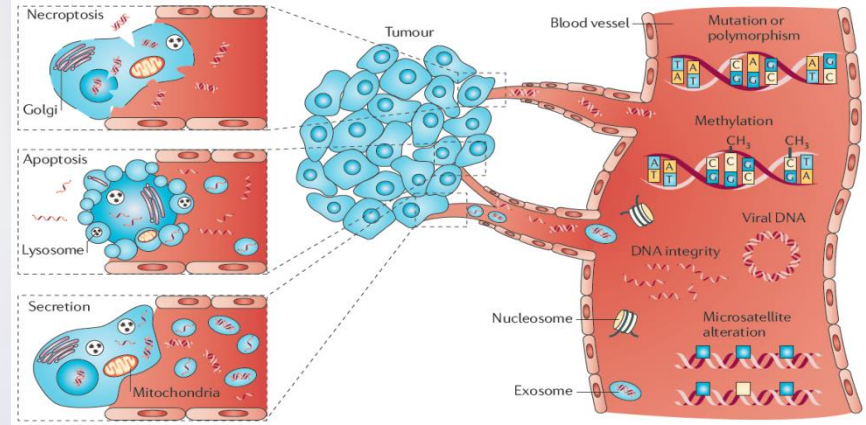
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Impact of ischemia time on protein expression of non-malignant human intestine samples

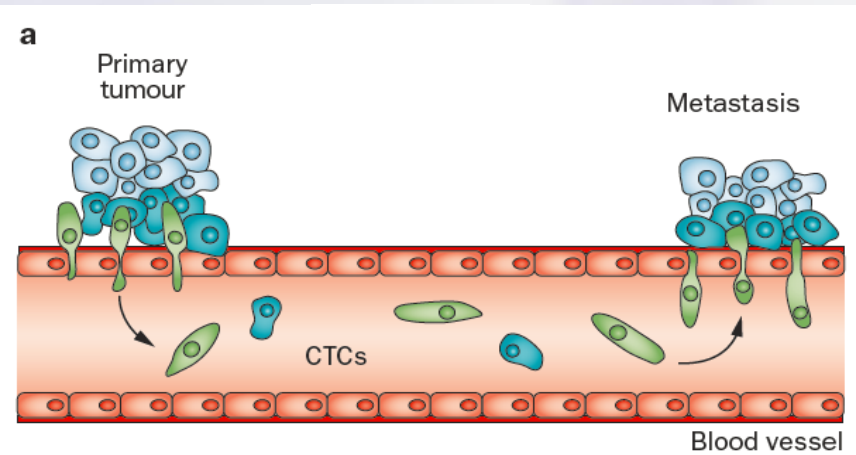
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ccfDNA



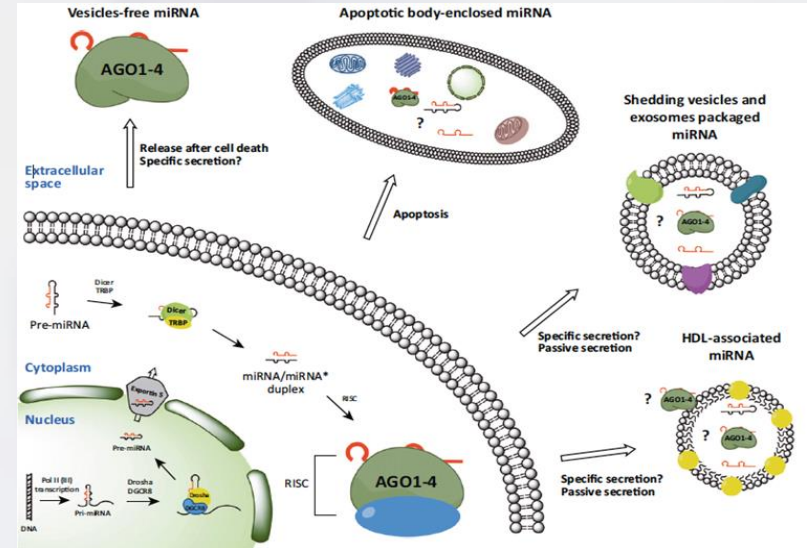
Schwarzenbach et al. (2011) Nat Rev Cancer 11:426-437

CTCs (multi-modality)



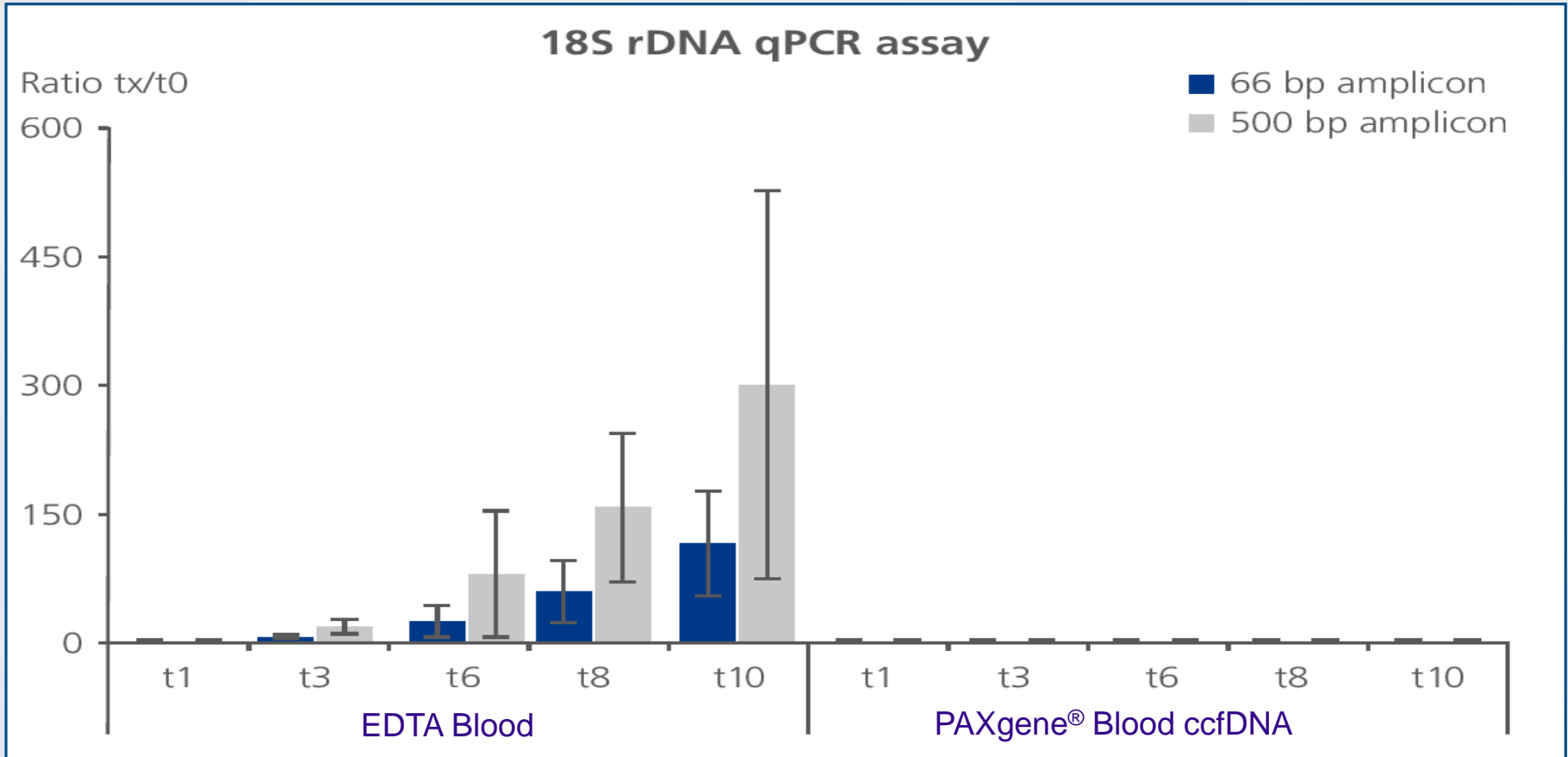
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Exosomes (RNA, miRNA)

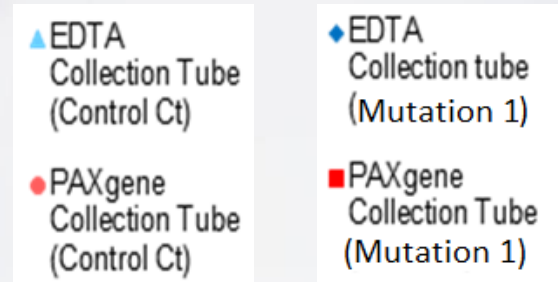
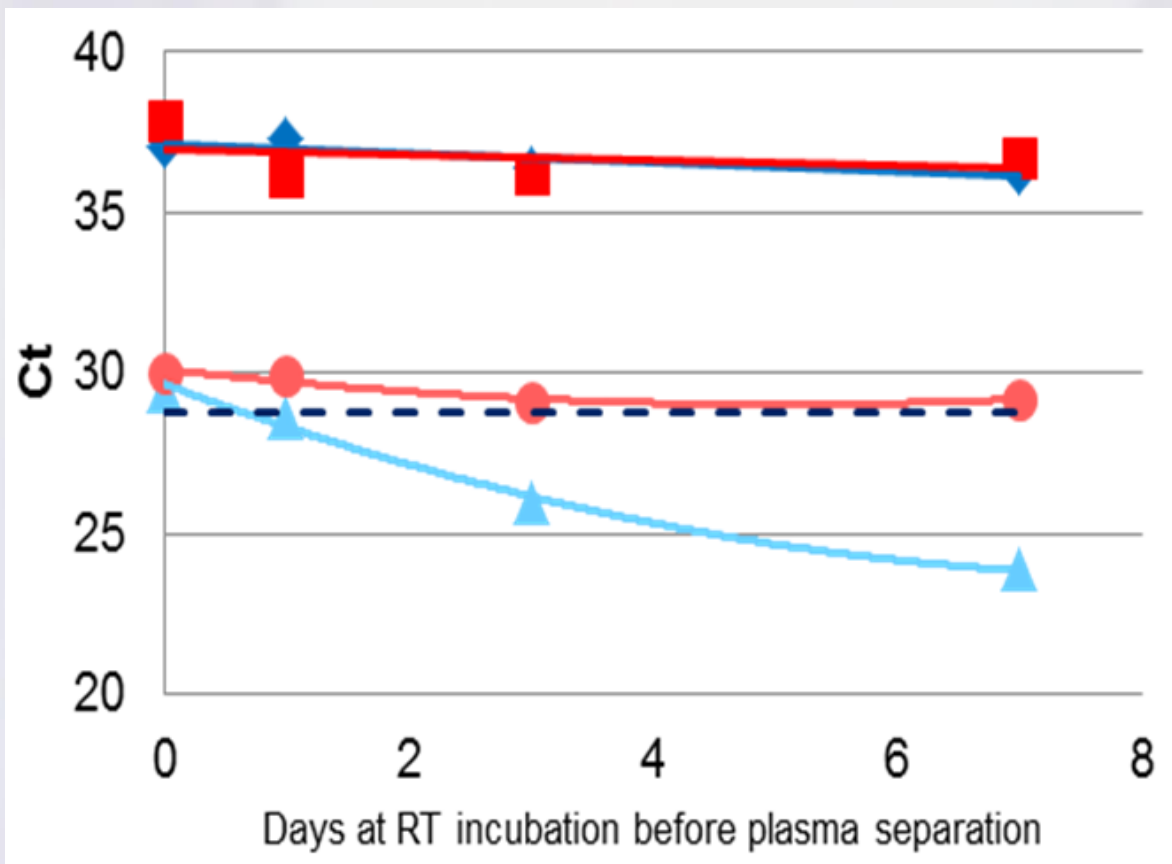


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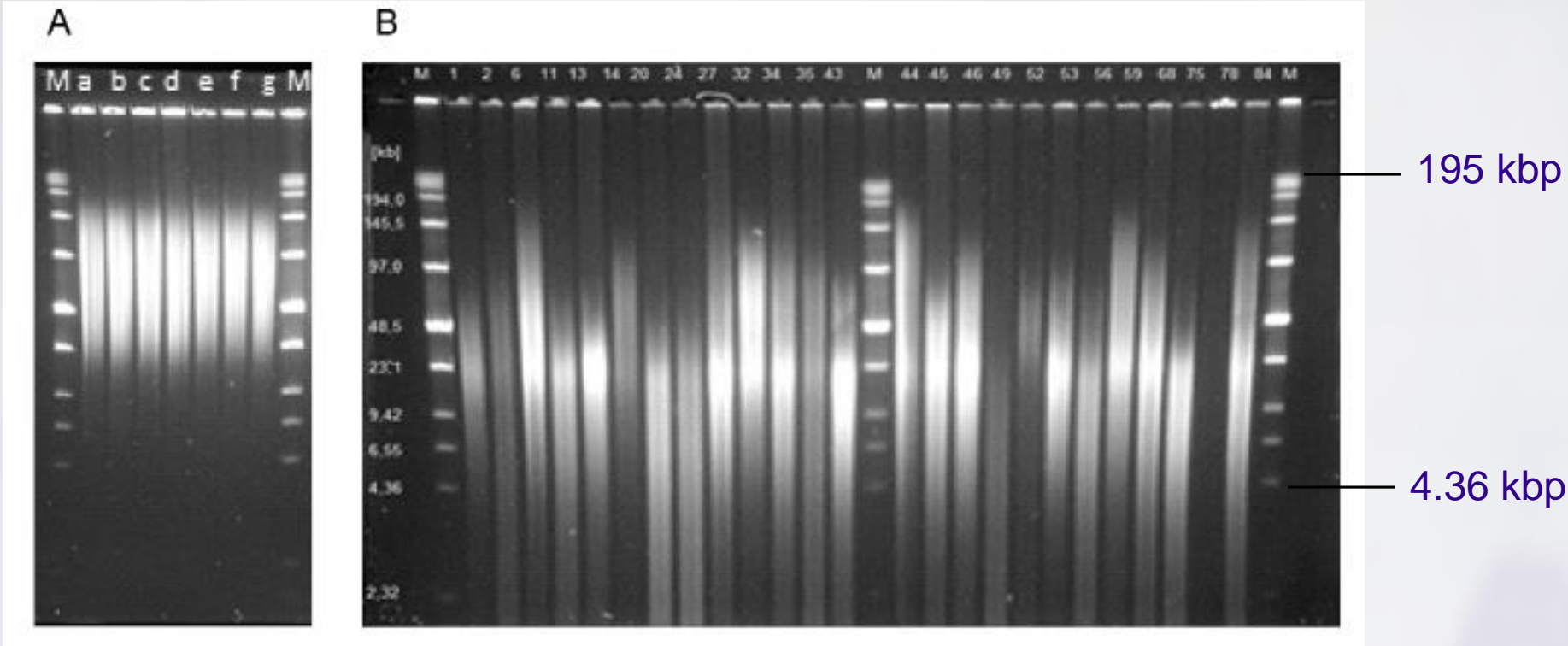
...and ccfRNA



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DNA Length Variation – Pulse Field Gel Electrophoresis (European Ring Trial)

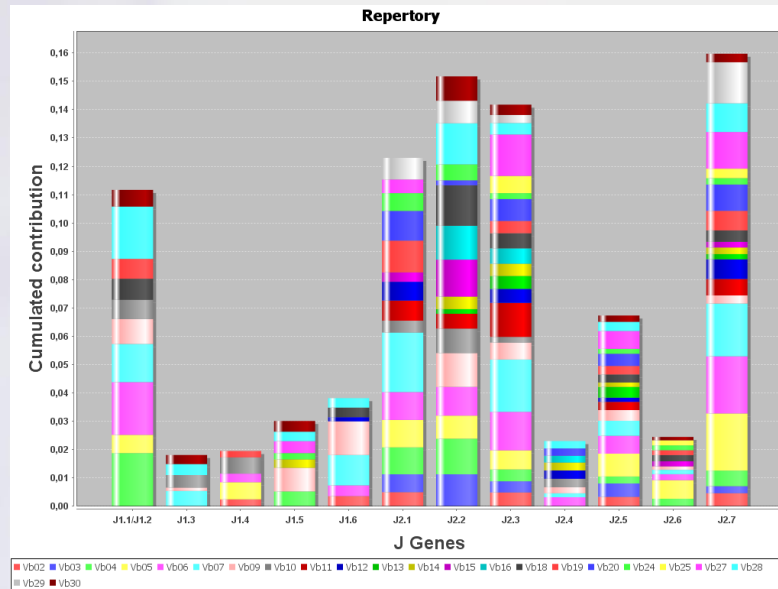


A: gDNA isolated immediately after blood collection at SPIDIA Laboratory

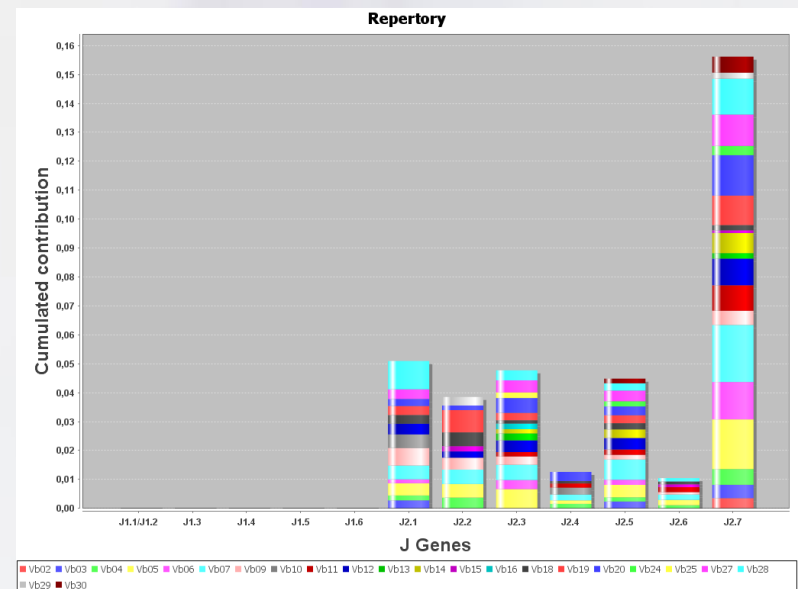
B: gDNA isolated by ring trial participating laboratories

Malentacchi, F., Ciniselli, CM., Pazzagli, M. et al. (2015) Influence of pre-analytical procedures on genomic DNA integrity in blood samples: the SPIDIA experience. *Clin Chim Acta.* 440:205-10.

V contribution for each J gene – Research Trial (ImmunID Technologies, France)



Ref. DNA (DIV 54%)

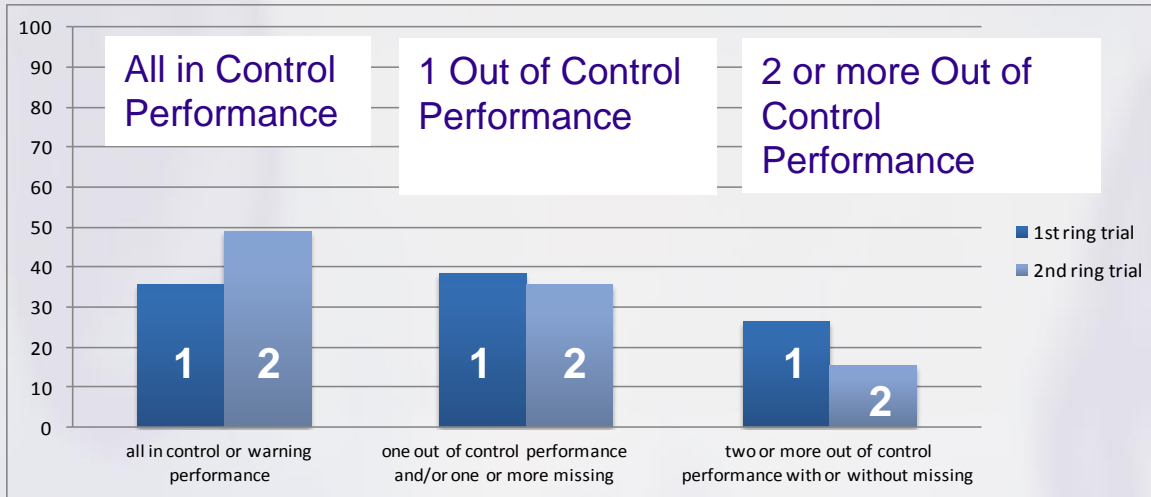


Sample 38 (Poor quality) (DIV 32%)

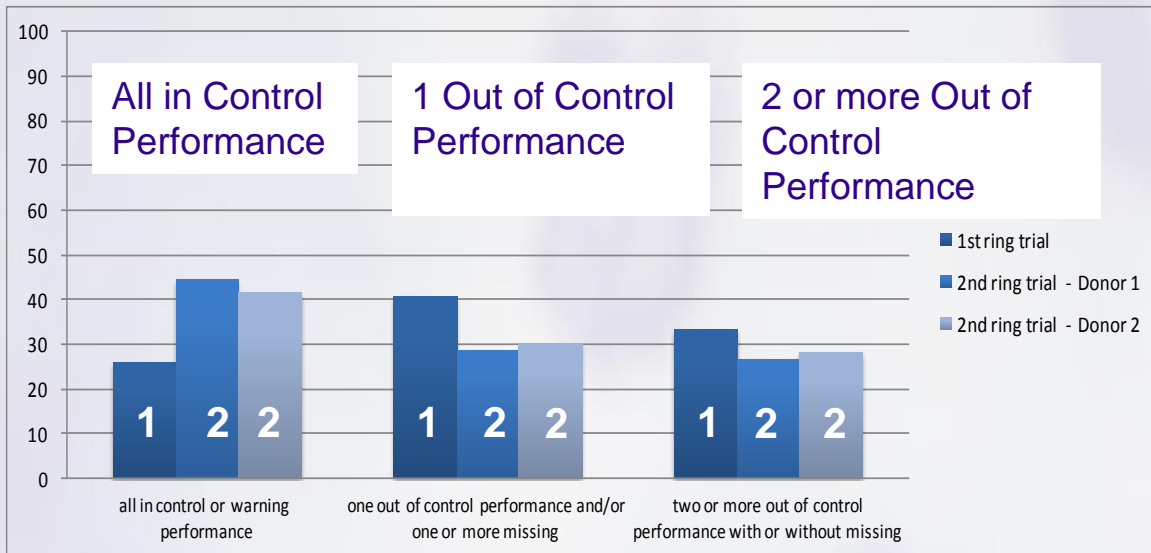
- Loss of all long V–J rearrangements
- Loss of part of intermediate length rearrangements

Optimized Workflows can Improve Test Results

1st vs 2nd SPIDIA European Blood Ring Trials



Blood DNA Ring Trials 1 & 2



Blood RNA Ring Trials 1 & 2

European Standard – EN

Goal: Development of normative specifications reflecting the current state of technology

European Technical Specification – CEN/TS

Goal: Specifications which aid market development and growth

European Technical Report – CEN/TR

Goal: Specifications of a recommendatory and explanatory nature

CEN Workshop Agreement – CWA

Goal: Special specifications developed with the rapid consensus of expert stakeholders



Traditional Role of Standards

- Source of technical know-how
- Trade facilitation and opening of markets
- Providing a scientific basis for legislation in the health, safety and environment sectors



Valued-added role for research and innovation

- Speeding up innovation by providing the requisite knowledge base (technology transfer)
- New ideas, technologies and products need standardization to get into the marketplace and to be successful

Applicable to molecular in-vitro diagnostic examinations

- In-vitro diagnostic laboratories
- Laboratory customers
- In-vitro diagnostics developers and manufacturers
- Institutions & commercial organizations performing biomedical research
- Biobanks
- Regulation authorities