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Decoding the means to cancer's end

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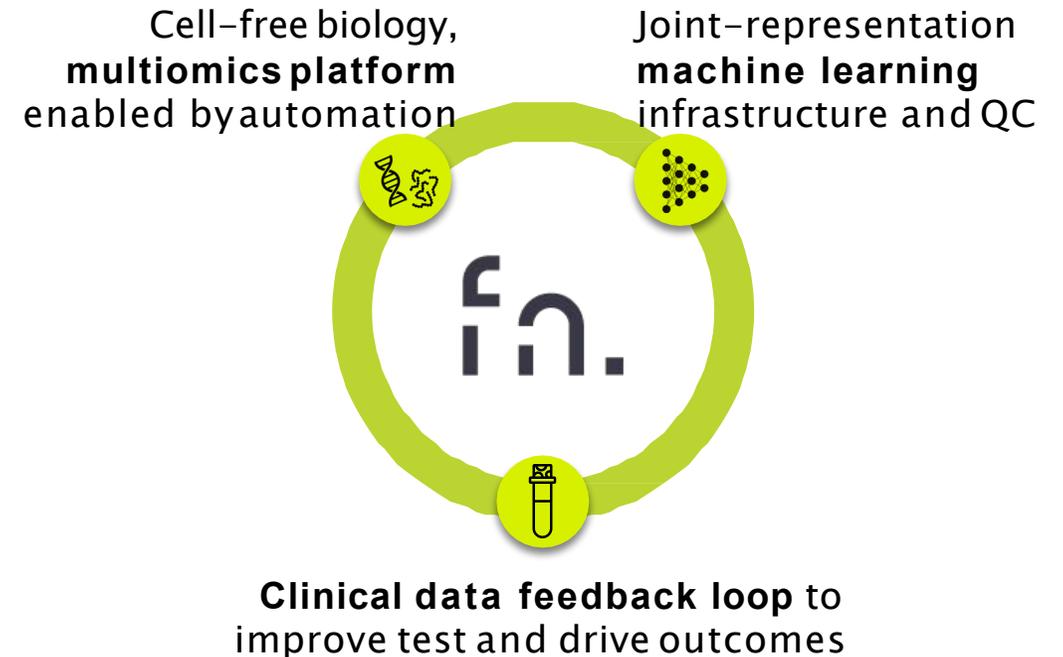
Agenda

- Introduction to Freenome
- “Universal” Cancer Screening: The Opportunity
- Preliminary Comments
- Challenges & Solutions
- Final Thoughts & Questions

Introduction to Freenome

- Founded in 2014
- Located in South San Francisco
- Multiple academic, clinical, and biopharma collaborators
- 19 publications and presentations to date

Freenome's platform



“Universal” cancer screening: The opportunity

- Screen simultaneously for multiple cancers
- In 2020, cancers for which there is no screening in asymptomatic individuals represent ~52% of new cancer diagnoses and ~56% of cancer-related deaths

Estimated New Cases

			Males	Females			
Prostate	191,930	21%			Breast	276,480	30%
Lung & bronchus	116,300	13%			Lung & bronchus	112,520	12%
Colon & rectum	78,300	9%			Colon & rectum	69,650	8%
Urinary bladder	62,100	7%			Uterine corpus	65,620	7%
Melanoma of the skin	60,190	7%			Thyroid	40,170	4%
Kidney & renal pelvis	45,520	5%			Melanoma of the skin	40,160	4%
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	42,380	5%			Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	34,860	4%
Oral cavity & pharynx	38,380	4%			Kidney & renal pelvis	28,230	3%
Leukemia	35,470	4%			Pancreas	27,200	3%
Pancreas	30,400	3%			Leukemia	25,060	3%
All Sites	893,660	100%			All Sites	912,930	100%

Estimated Deaths

			Males	Females			
Lung & bronchus	72,500	23%			Lung & bronchus	63,220	22%
Prostate	33,330	10%			Breast	42,170	15%
Colon & rectum	28,630	9%			Colon & rectum	24,570	9%
Pancreas	24,640	8%			Pancreas	22,410	8%
Liver & intrahepatic bile duct	20,020	6%			Ovary	13,940	5%
Leukemia	13,420	4%			Uterine corpus	12,590	4%
Esophagus	13,100	4%			Liver & intrahepatic bile duct	10,140	4%
Urinary bladder	13,050	4%			Leukemia	9,680	3%
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	11,460	4%			Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	8,480	3%
Brain & other nervous system	10,190	3%			Brain & other nervous system	7,830	3%
All Sites	321,160	100%			All Sites	285,360	100%

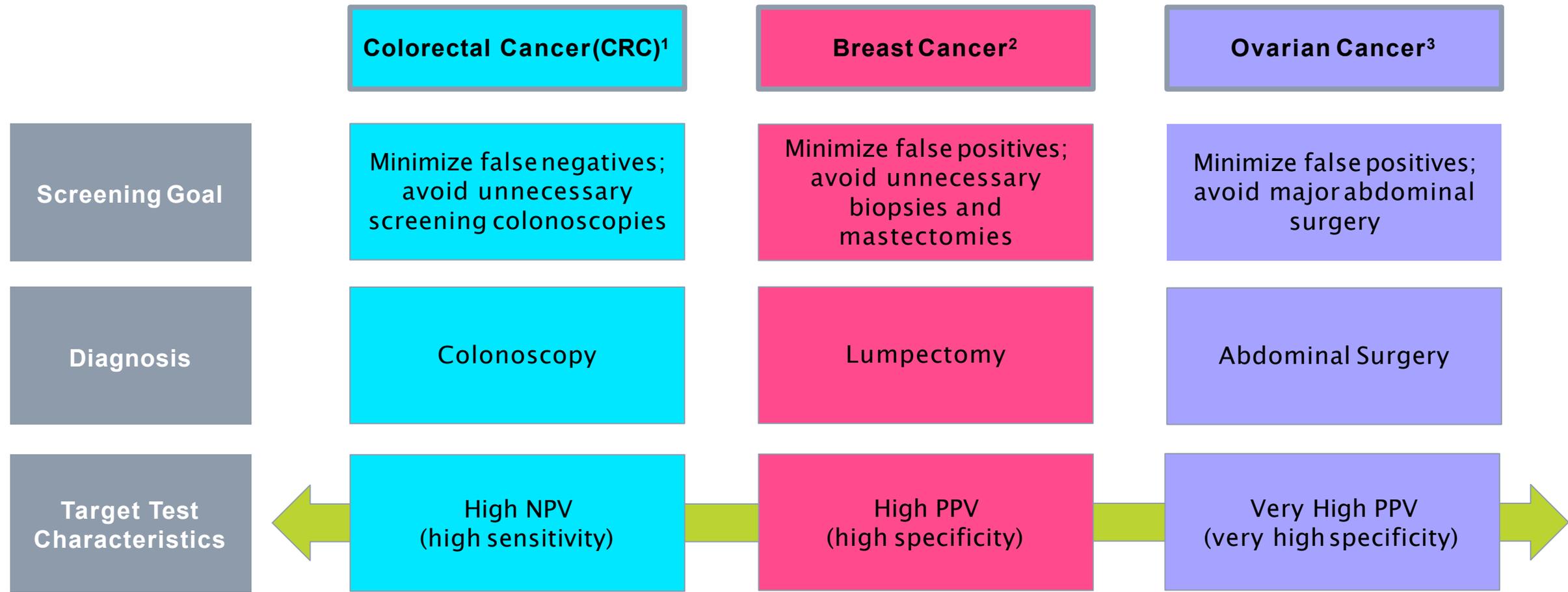
Preliminary comments

- The question is not the objective; it's how we get there responsibly
- What are the risks, benefits and costs of detecting more cancers for which the clinical utility of detection and intervention have not been demonstrated?
- **Can ≠ should**

What is “universal” cancer screening?

- There are >100 different types of cancer
- There is currently no test in development or commercially available that is “universal” or “pan”, so to describe as such is inappropriate
- Requirements for such a test
 - Very low false positive rate (<1%) in **unscreened** cancers
 - If include **screened** cancers, comparable or better performance (both **sensitivity** AND **specificity**) versus the existing standard of care taking into consideration **real-world adherence**
 - Very low **tissue-of-origin** misclassification (<1%)
 - Clinical validation in the **intended use population**
 - **Clinical utility** in the intended use population

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Cancer Type	Population	Year		Recommendation
Cervical	Women aged 21 to 65 years	2018	A	Recommended: High certainty that net benefit is substantial.
CRC	Adults aged 50 to 75 years	2016		
Breast	Women aged 50 to 74 years	2016	B	Recommended: High certainty that net benefit is moderate or there is moderate certainty that the net benefit is moderate to substantial.
Lung	Adults Aged 55–80, with a history of smoking	2013		

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Cancer Type	Population	Year		Recommendation Strength
Prostate	Men aged 55 to 69 years	2018	C	Recommends selectively offering or providing this service to individual patients based on professional judgment and patient preferences. There is at least moderate certainty that the net benefit is small.
Ovarian	Asymptomatic Women	2018	D	Recommends against the service. There is moderate or high certainty that the service has no net benefit or that the harms outweigh the benefits.
Pancreatic	Adults	2019	D	
Thyroid	Adults	2017	D	

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Cancer Type	Population	Year		Recommendation Strength
Bladder	Asymptomatic Adults	2011	I	USPSTF concludes that the current evidence is insufficient to assess the balance of benefits and harms of the service. Evidence is lacking, of poor quality, or conflicting, and the balance of benefits and harms cannot be determined.
Skin		2016		

Challenges

- **Low disease prevalence** makes developing a screening test challenging
 - DeeP-C: **12,766** patients enrolled to get **10,023** evaluable samples to get **65** CRCs*
 - As a result, most screening tests are developed using **post-diagnosis samples** (due to cost, time, etc.) and **case-control designs**
- Concerns with such approaches
 - **Generalizability** to asymptomatic patients (i.e., **intended use population**)
 - **Reliability** of “controls” (e.g., negative by history and/or patient self-report)
 - **Spectrum bias** (i.e., absence of full disease spectrum) and lack of potentially **confounding comorbidities**

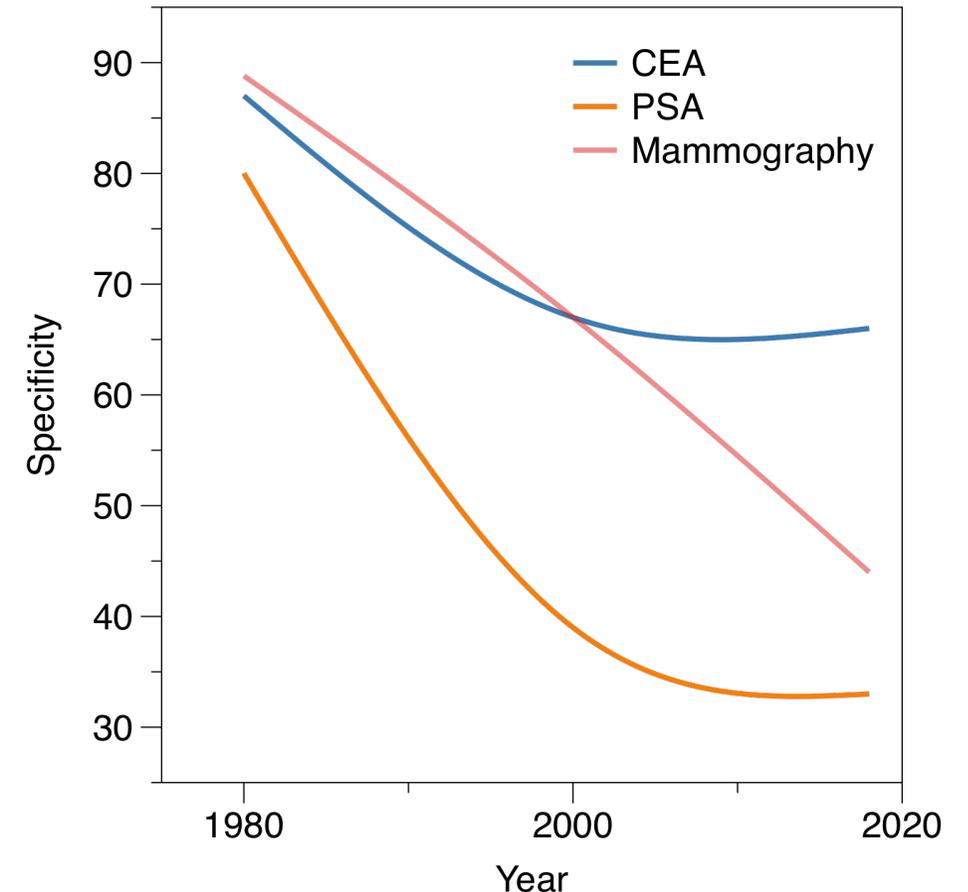
Spectrum Bias: Cancer Stage & Precancerous Lesions

Stage	Imperiale 2014 ¹ (DeeP-C)	Lidgard 2013 ²	Lennon 2020 ³ (DETECT-A)	Cohen 2018 ⁴
I	45%	22%	51%	20%
II	32%	26%	14%	49%
III	15%	33%	14%	31%
IV	6%	8%	20%	0%
Unknown	2%	11%	1%	NA

Final Diagnosis of Index Lesion	% of Study Population ¹
CRC	1%
Advanced adenoma	8%
Non-advanced adenoma	29%
Negative by colonoscopy and/or histopathology	63%

Potential solutions

- Shared, **publicly available resources** (e.g., sample banks such as EDRN)
- Using **real-world evidence** (not just traditional clinical trials) for population-scale studies to improve performance over time
- Appropriate balance between **pre- and post-market commitments**
- **Best practice** guidelines



Final thoughts & questions

- If a multi-cancer test, what is the intended use population?
 - Is there clinical utility for screening in asymptomatic individuals in this population?
- What is the recommended action after a positive test result? After a negative test result (e.g., periodicity of re-screening)?
 - How well do providers and patients follow these recommendations?
 - Is there a net health outcome benefit when they do?
 - What is the impact on the total cost of care when do they do?
- What are the risks from false negative and false positive results?
- Which cancers will be included for screening?
 - If USPSTF A&B cancers are included, what impact does introduction of the test have on standard-of-care screening adherence?
- Was clinical validation performed in the intended use population?
 - Including the full spectrum of disease and comorbid conditions that will be encountered in the intended use population?
 - Using the collection device and process used for routine clinical care?
- Were diagnoses (e.g., cancer, negatives and precancerous lesions) confirmed? How?

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Spot the pattern.
Treat the cancer.



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