DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION OF PERSONALIZED EX VIVO PLATFORM MIMICKING PATIENT HETEROGENEOUS TUMOR MICROENVIRONMENT TO ENABLE PERSONALIZED TREATMENT FOR BREAST CANCER'

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# **One Size Fits All**

At present, most of the medicines for cancer patients are still representing empirical approach for therapy

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#### Journal of Medicine ©Copyright, 1995, by the Massachusetts Medical Society Volume 332 APRIL 6, 1995 Number 14 ADJUVANT CYCLOPH OSPH AMIDE. METHOTREXATE. AND FLUOROURACIL IN NODE-POSITIVE BREAST CANCER The Results of 20 Years of Follow-up GIANNI BONADONNA, M.D., PINUCCIA VALAGUSSA, B.S., ANGELA MOLITERNI, M.D., MILVIA ZAMBETTI, M.D., AND CRISTINA BRAMBILLA, M.D. No Benefit + Toxicity All patients 0.9 with the same 8.0 Survival No Benefit + Benefit diagnosis 0.7 + Toxicity Probability of Overall 0.6 10%-20% 0.5 0.4 0.3 Control + Benefit 0.2 P = 0.04 (unadjusted) No Toxicity P = 0.03 (adjusted) No Benefit 0.1 10%-20% No Benefit 0 ( No Toxicity

# Creation of patient tumor microenvironment : CANScript<sup>™</sup>



# CANScript<sup>™</sup>: A novel platform technology measures functional outcome of drug response

1. Patient's tumor tissue taken through biopsy/surgery is incubated with customized proteins and serum in a culture plate.



2. Various drug combinations are introduced to check tumor activity through a multidimensional assay platform over 4-5 days.

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3. An algorithm combines the results into single predictive score "M-Score" for each drug combination.



All assays are approved by FDA

# Integration of TMP and patient specific ligands for active balance of phenotypes



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# **Clinical Correlation of CANSCript**<sup>™</sup>





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#### Predicting clinical response to anticancer drugs using an *ex vivo* platform that captures tumour heterogeneity

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#### CANScript<sup>™</sup> Makes Genomics Actionable



#### 'Potentially Actionable' Leaves Many Unanswered Questions





### CANScript<sup>™</sup> Clinical Validation: HNSCC



Overall CaBR tumors

n=60



## Case study: A patient with Breast Cancer

Patient: A lady doctor 54 years old

Presented with CaBR Stage III and Liver Mets

Prior treatment history: Chemo (Docetaxol+Dox) and radiation and did not show any response



H&E

Ki-67

# Transient cell state phenotypes (CD44 hi CD24 hi) in breast cancer cell - DTC



# Src and Hck pathways are deregulated in these DTC

Major target (s)				
PI3K/AKT, mTOR				
VEGFR, PDGFR, Raf				
kinases				
VEGFR, PDGFR				
EGFR (HER-1)				
TGFβ-1R				
C-Met receptor				
BCR-Abl, Src family kinases				
НСК				
BCR-Abl, PDGFR				

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# CANScript<sup>™</sup> finds DTX followed by Dasatinib is the drug of choice



Patient shows PFS with DTX followed by Src inhibitor (Dasatinib) for last three years

## **Mitra-Harvard Collaboration**



Temporally sequenced anticancer drugs overcome adaptive resistance by targeting a vulnerable chemotherapy-induced phenotypic transition

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# Mitra Biotech, Harvard unravels how to kill cancer cells that avoid chemotherapy

The method was to give another common drug just when the cancer cells begin to morph into a stem-cell like type that can avoid the chemo drugs.

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