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How to Complement Biomarker Testing with Diagnostic Imaging

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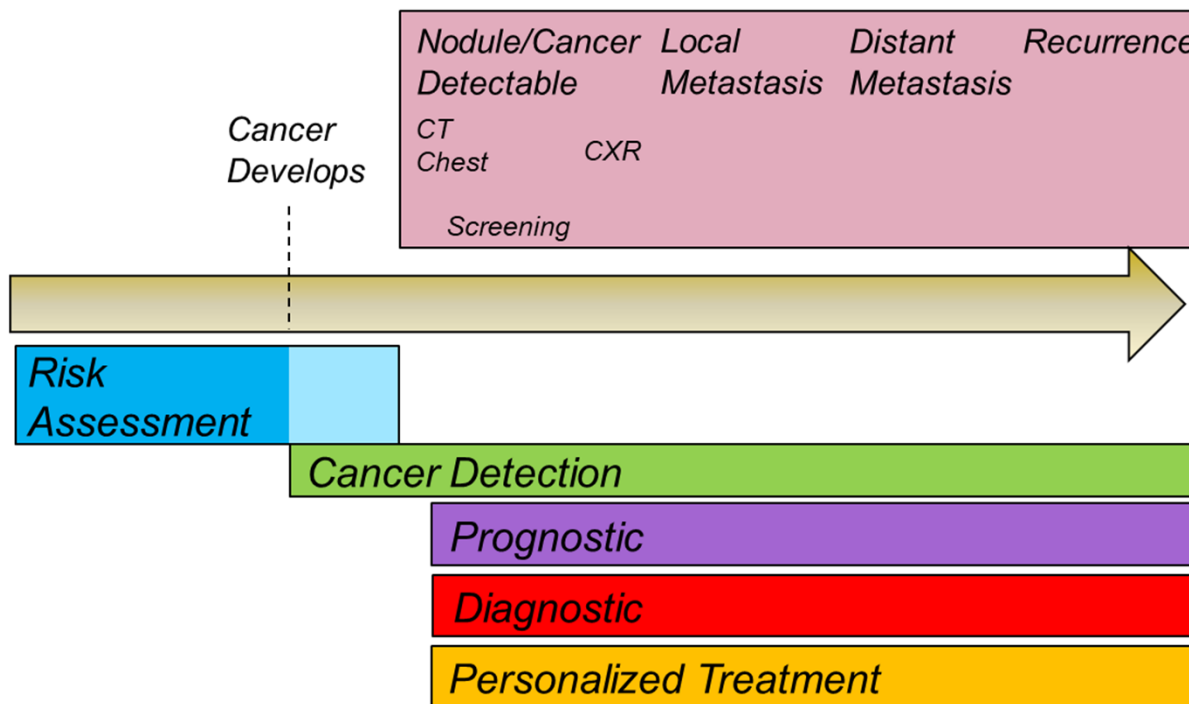
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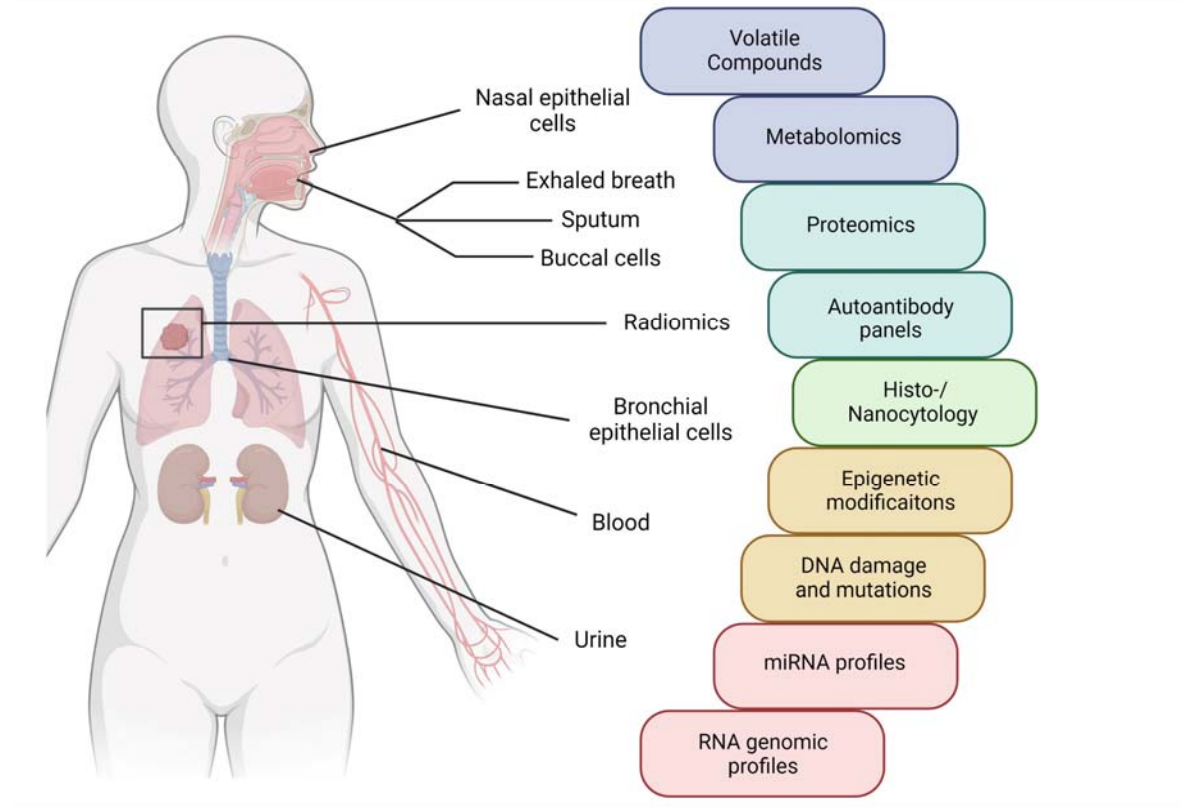


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Biomarkers in lung cancer continuum



Biomarkers

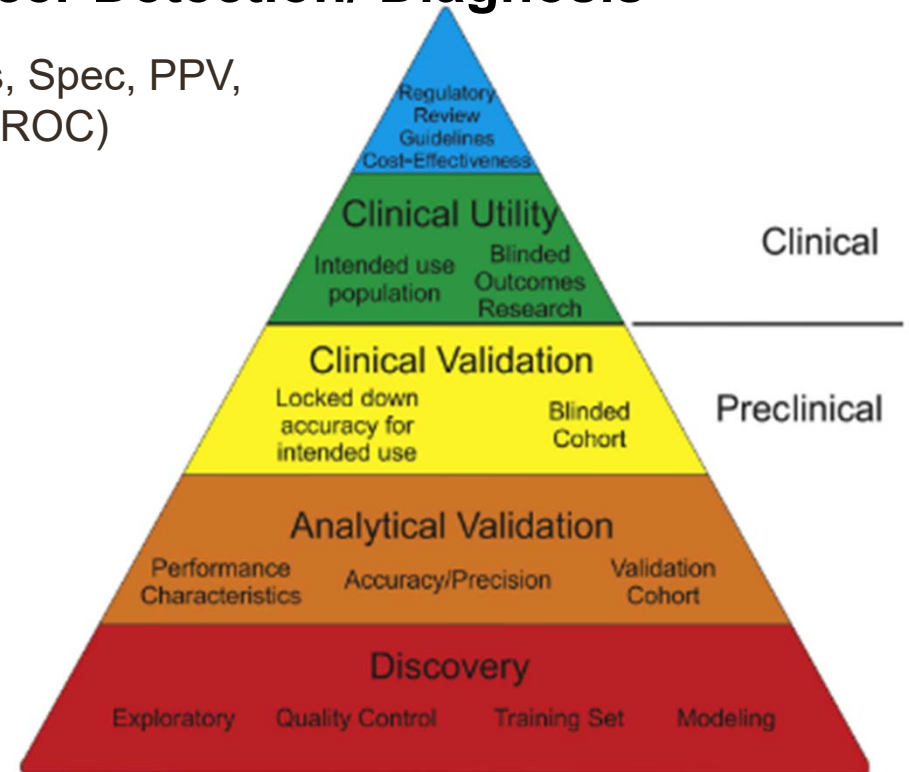


Vedachalam, Tanner and Sears. Chapter 4: Approach to Lung Nodules. Respiratory Medicine (Ed. MacRosty and Rivera). *In Review*.



Ideal Biomarker for Early Lung Cancer Detection/ Diagnosis

1. Favorable Performance Metrics (Sens, Spec, PPV, NPV, ROC)
2. Easily Accessible Material
3. Small amount needed
4. Little/simple sample preparation
5. Inexpensive/Cost Effective
6. Applicable to Large Target Population
7. Clinically Useful
 - Advantage over/with standard of care
 - Easy to interpret / act on results



Sears and Mazzone. Clin Chest Med. 2020;41(1):115-127

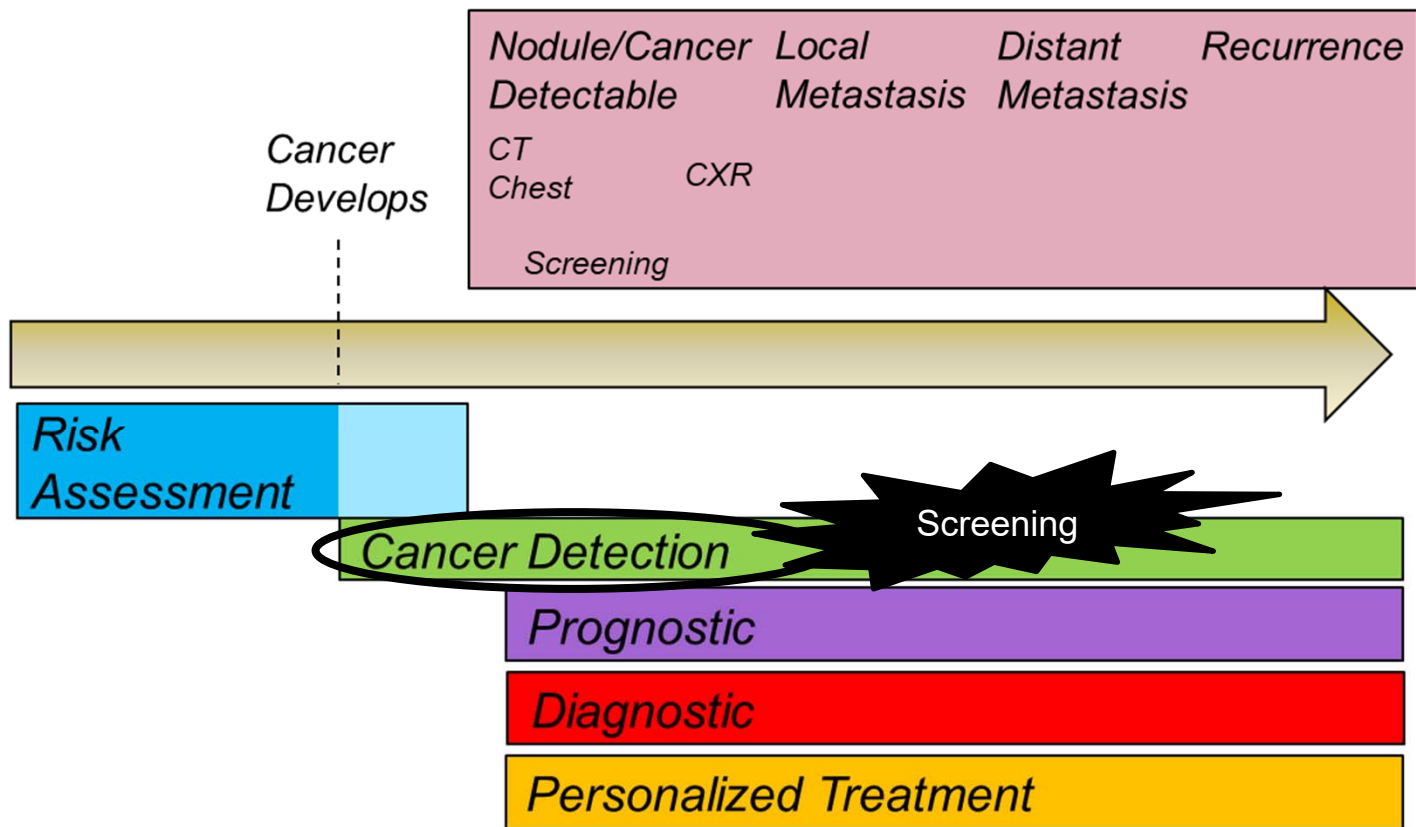


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Biomarkers to Select for Lung Cancer Screening



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Current lung screening guidelines (2022-)

| |  USPSTF |  CMS |  NCCN |
|--------------------|---|--|---|
| Age | 50-80 yo | 50-77yo | ≥50* |
| Smoking history | ≥ 20 PY | ≥ 20 PY | ≥ 20 PY |
| Smoking Status | Current or quit ≤ 15yrs | Current or quit ≤ 15yrs | Current or quit ≤ 15yrs |
| Secondary criteria | None | None | Additional risk factor(s) (race, exposure to radon, risk calculator, etc) |

*-77 yo or older if healthy and likely to benefit



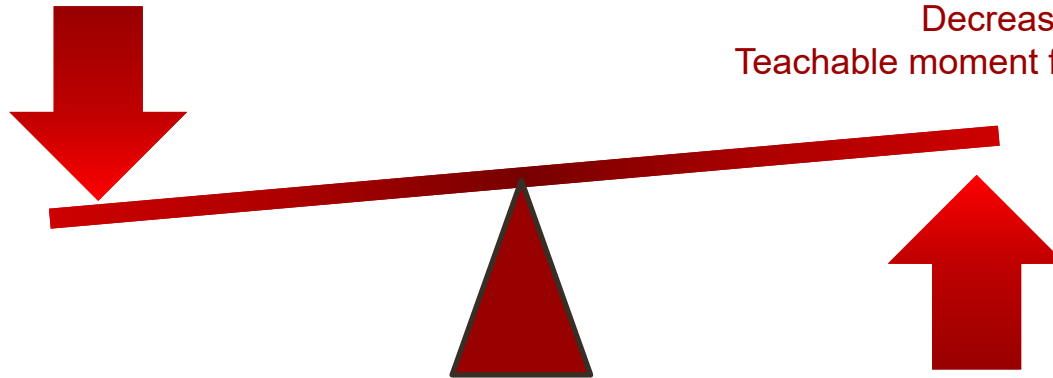
Biomarkers for LCS: Optimize Benefit to Risk Ratio

RISKS:

Nodules: False positives (high)
Overdiagnosis Psychological stress
Procedure complications
Radiation exposure
+/- Cost

BENEFITS:

Decreased lung cancer mortality
Decreased anxiety
Teachable moment for smoking cessation



Clinically Useful Biomarker for Lung Cancer Screening

Currently Screen Ineligible

Define High Risk Cohort who will Benefit from LCS

Refine/Combine with Clinical Risk Factors

- Radon Exposure
- Occupational Exposures (asbestos, chromium, coal smoke, diesel fumes, uranium, radiation, silica, soot)
- HIV+ on ART
- Lung diseases (COPD, pulmonary fibrosis)
- Family history of lung cancer (early, never-smokers)
- Prior cancer history (lymphoma, H&N cancer, smoking-related cancers)
- Heavy 2nd-hand smoke, biofuel, open stove exposure
- Populations at high risk for EGFR mutant lung cancer



Clinically Useful Biomarker for Lung Cancer Screening

Currently Screen Eligible

Increase cost-effectiveness of LCS

Patients with comorbidities: highest benefit

Appropriate duration to follow-up LDCT (negative)

Duration to LDCT f/u (positive LDCT)

Increase LDCT uptake in those not getting screened
(Low Resource or Disadvantaged Groups)

- Rural/Geographic, Socioeconomically disadvantaged, *non-compliant*



Lung Cancer Biomarkers - Screening

| | Measurement | Validation Cohort | Sensitivity Specificity* | Proposed Use | Availability/ Clinical Utility |
|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| Nodify CDT (Biodesix) | Blood auto-antibody panel (7): ELISA | Patients: 1613 Cancers: 61 | Sens: 37% Spec: 91% | Screening risk assessment (outside LCS criteria, more frequent LDCT) | CLIA/ US (NCT01700257 – completed 2020)/ UK (ECLS) – Stage Shift with more frequent screening |
| miR-Test | Blood: miRNA | COSMOS Patients: 1115 Cancers:48 | Sens: 78% Spec: 75% | Enrichment of high-risk screening cohort | No/ Clinical utility trials ongoing (COSMOS II) |
| MSC signature (miRNA) | Blood: miRNA | MILD pts: 1085/939 Cancers: 85 | *Sens: 95% *Spec: 78% | Enrichment of high-risk screening cohort | No/ Clinical utility trial completed 3/2022 (BIOMILD) – More lung cancers diagnosed, supported longer duration btwn scans if negative |
| PAULA's (Protein Assay Using Lung Cancer Analytes) (Genesys) | Blood antigen / protein panel: ELISA | Patients: 150 Cancers: 75 | Sens: 71% Spec: 88% | Enrichment of high-risk screening cohort | CLIA / Recent new clinical validation trial using 5th biomarker |
| 4-MP | Blood auto-antibody panel (4): immunofluorescence bead/flow cytometry + PLCO2012 | PLCO pts: Patients: 2,745 Cancers: 552 | Sens: 83.5%*/88.4% Spec: 71.6%*/56.2% (*PLCO2012 \geq 1.7%PLCO2012 \geq 1%) | Enrichment of high-risk screening cohort/ Early nodule diagnosis | No |
| Lung EpiCheck (Nucleix) | DNA methylation | European/Chinese Patients: 361 Cancers:209 | Sens 78%-90% (Stage I-IV). Spec: matched control 64%, unmatched controls: 93% | Screening / Early diagnosis | No |
| DELFI-LUNG (Delfi Diagnostics, Inc) | Blood: cfDNA fragmentation pattern | Enrolling prospective study- 15,000 LCS pt | Varies based on multiple analytic cohorts | Enrichment of high-risk screening cohort / symptomatic lung cancer / Rule-in nodule biomarker | No / NCT05306288 (CASCADE-LUNG for LCS) / NCT04825834 (DELFI-L101 for Nodule Clin validation) |
| RespiraGene (Synergz) | Oral swab: 20 SNPs + clinical | | | Enrichment of high risk screening cohort Smoking cessation for high risk (GeTSS) | No |

Sears, Mazzone.
Clin Chest Med.
2020

Fahrman et al. J
Clin Oncol. 2022

Nichols et al. BMC
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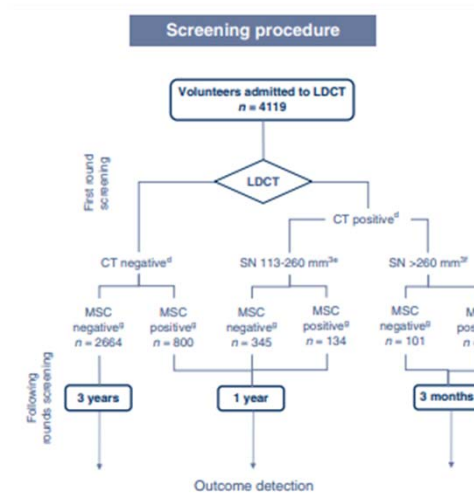
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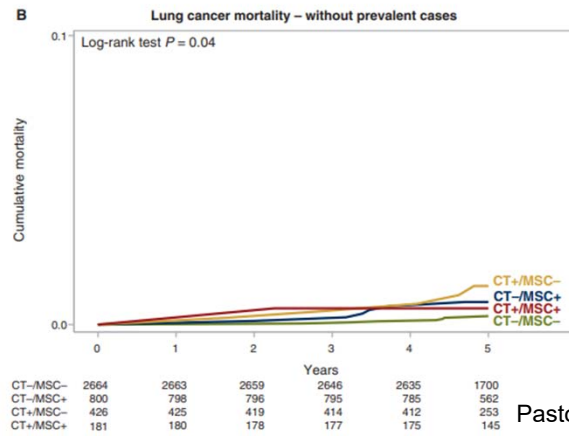
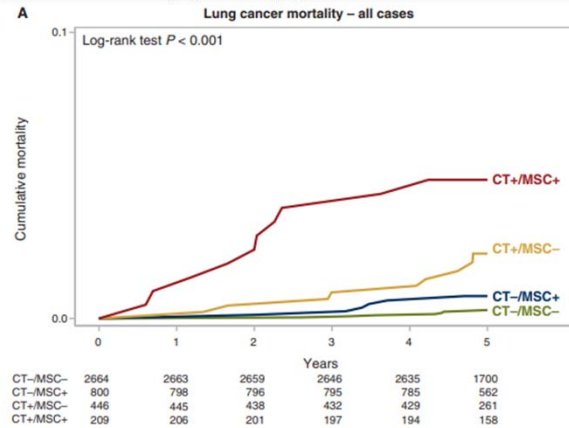
Biomarker-Driven Lung Cancer Screening Algorithm



bioMILD Trial



**119 lung cancers (2.9%)
72 (60.5%) Stage I NSCLC**

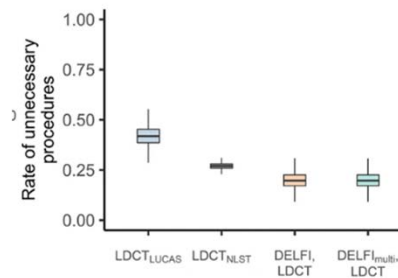
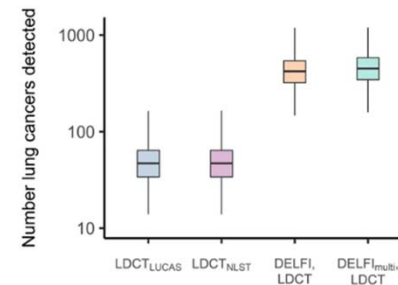
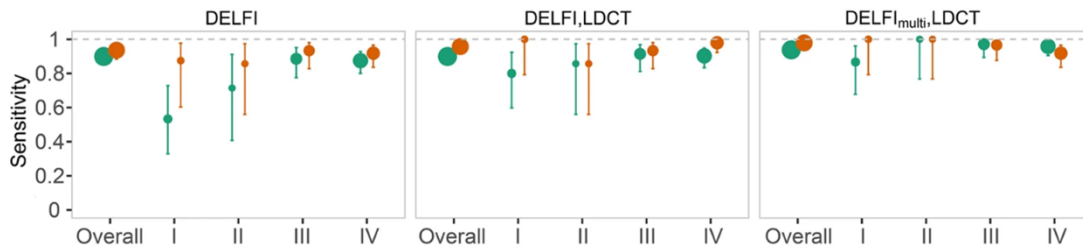
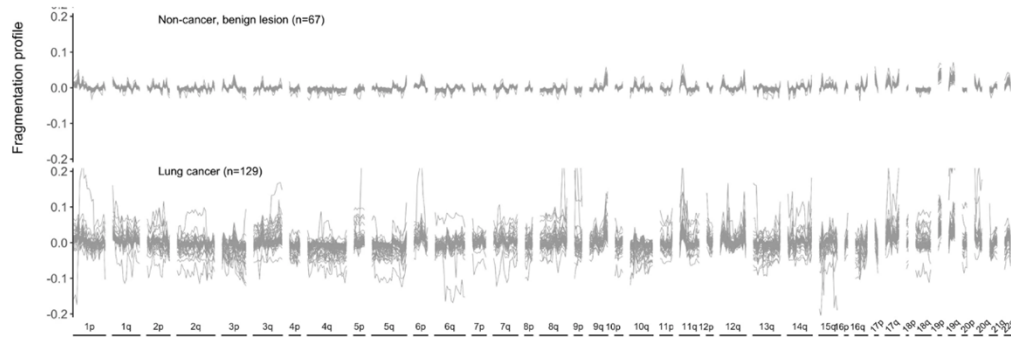


Pastorino et al. Ann Oncol. 2022



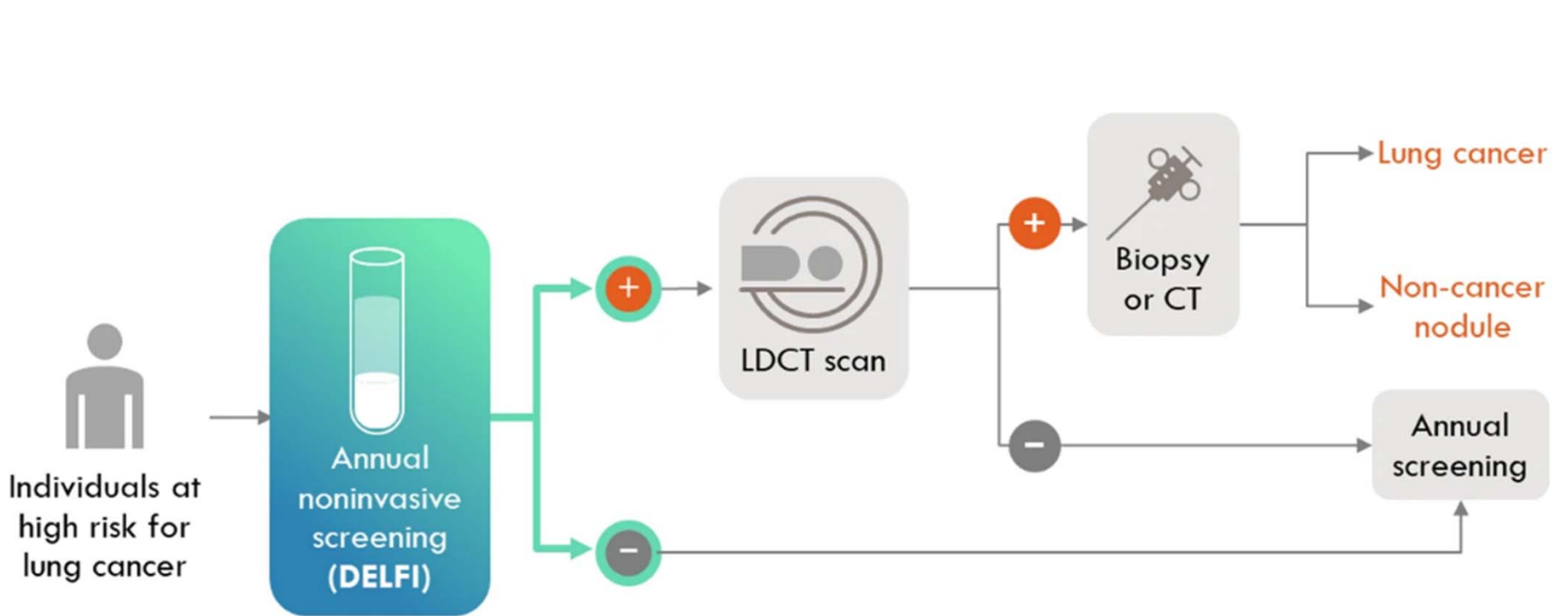
Combining Biomarkers with LCS Estimates and Risk Stratification Models

DELFI-LUNG



Mathios et al. Nature Communications. 2021





Lung Cancer Risk Assessment Models (Gold Standard?)

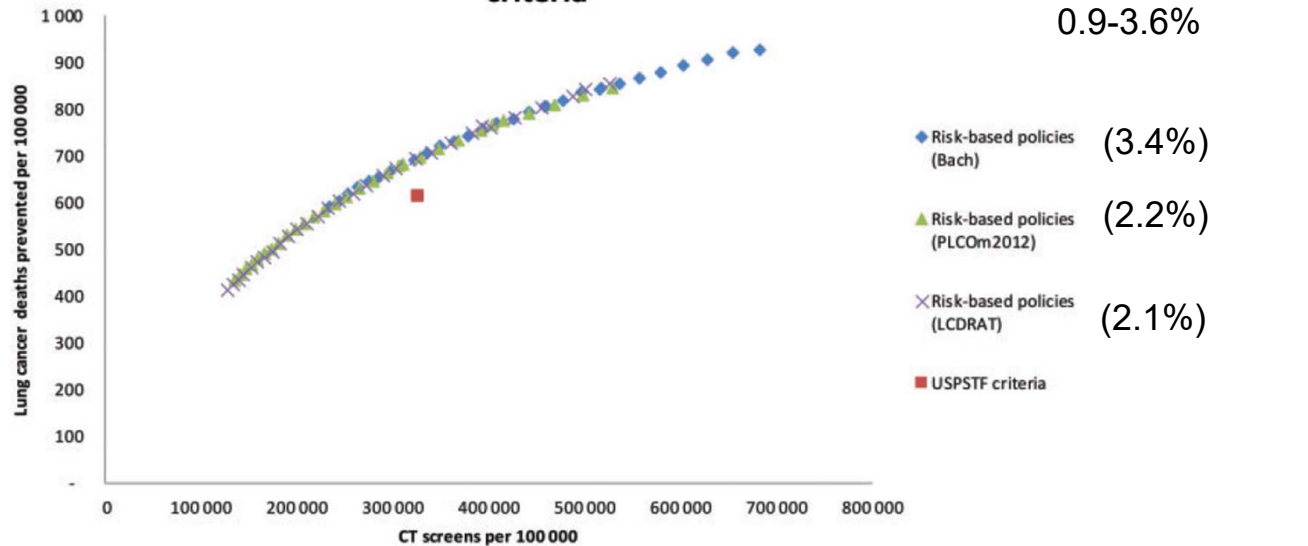
| | PLCOM 2012* | Bach Model | LLP* | LCDRAT | Kovalchik Model | TSCE Models | Knote Model | Hunt Model |
|---------|--|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Source | PLCO | CARET | LLP | PLCO | PLCO | NHS, HPFS | CPS-I/II (ACS) +/- NHS | HUNT2 |
| Factors | Age* Race/ethnicity BMI Education Prior CA Smoking* Family History COPD | Age Sex Smoking | Age* Sex* Prior CA Smoking* | Age Sex Race/ethnicity BMI Education Smoking FH Emphysema | Age BMI Smoking FH Emphysema | Age Sex Smoking | Age Race/ethnicity Smoking | Age BMI Smoking Daily cough |

*Included in Simplified models



Modeling- Risk Based Screening

Screens and lung cancer deaths averted for risk-based screening policies between ages 55 and 80 years compared to the USPSTF criteria



Ten Haaf et al. JNCI. 2020



Combining Biomarkers with LCS Estimates and Risk Stratification Models

4MP + PLCO₂₀₁₂

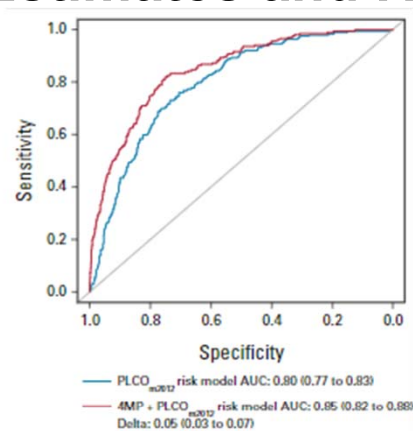
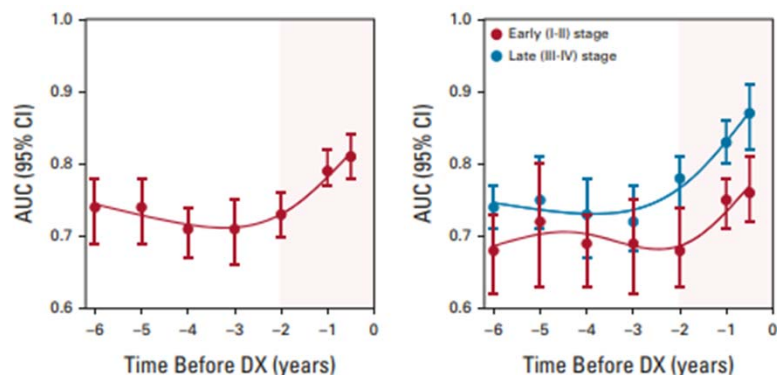


TABLE 2. Accuracy Performances in the Validation Set for the 4MP, PLCO₂₀₁₂, and the Combined Model of 4MP Plus PLCO₂₀₁₂ at Fixed Thresholds of $\geq 1.7\%$ and $\geq 1\%$ 6-Year Risk, to be Comparable With USPSTF2013 and USPSTF2021 Criteria in ESIA10+

| Criteria | N1* | NO | 1-Year Sensitivity ^b | Specificity | 1-Year TP ^c | FP ^c |
|--|-----|--------|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| $\geq 1.7\%$ risk threshold | | | | | | |
| USPSTF2013 ^d | 119 | 32,243 | 0.716 | 0.564 | 85 | 14,061 |
| 4MP ^e | 119 | 32,243 | 0.824 | 0.632 | 98 | 11,866 |
| PLCO ₂₀₁₂ ^f | 119 | 32,243 | 0.776 | 0.654 | 93 | 11,145 |
| Combined 4MP + PLCO ₂₀₁₂ model ^g | 119 | 32,243 | 0.835 | 0.693 | 100 | 9,905 |
| $\geq 1.0\%$ risk threshold | | | | | | |
| USPSTF2021 ^d | 119 | 32,243 | 0.785 | 0.493 | 94 | 16,356 |
| 4MP ^e | 119 | 32,243 | 0.915 | 0.454 | 109 | 17,591 |
| PLCO ₂₀₁₂ ^f | 119 | 32,243 | 0.920 | 0.466 | 110 | 17,224 |
| Combined 4MP + PLCO ₂₀₁₂ model ^g | 119 | 32,243 | 0.884 | 0.562 | 105 | 14,122 |

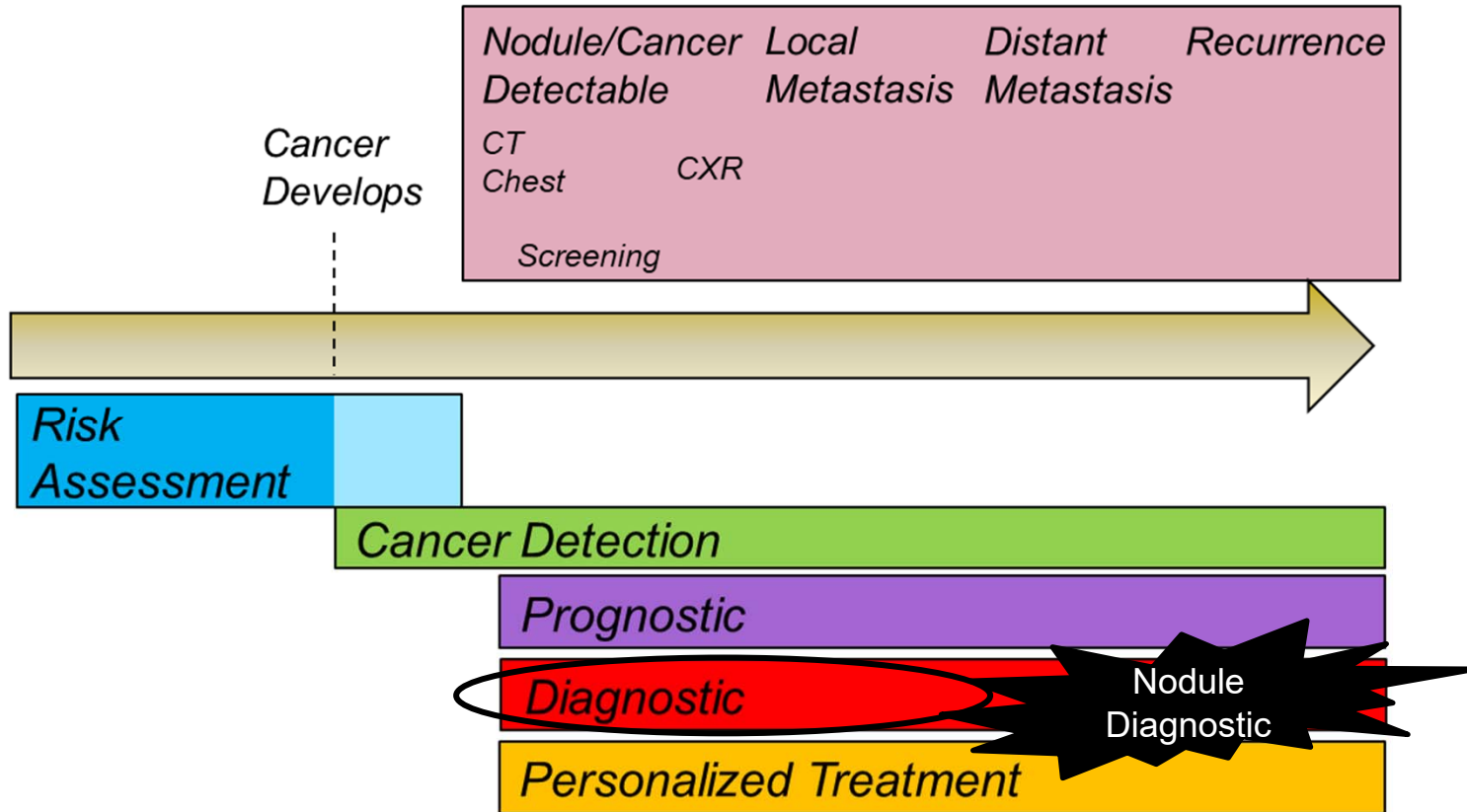


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Biomarkers for Nodule Risk Assessment

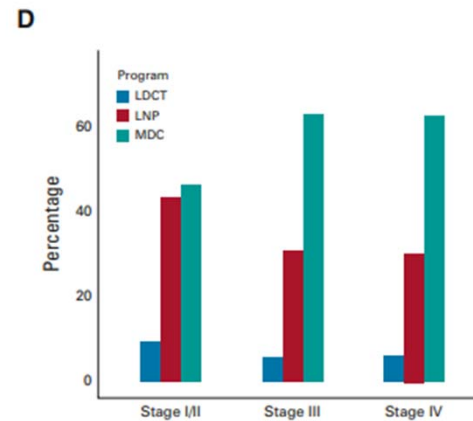
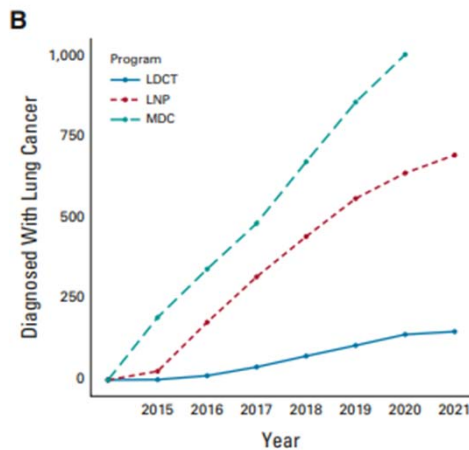


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Problem... Pulmonary Nodules are Common

>1,600,000 incidental lung nodules/year.... And growing!



Most (Early) Lung Cancers are Detected Incidentally!

Gould et al. Am J Resp Crit Care Med, 2015;192(10)
Smith-Bindman et al. JAMA 2019;322(9):843-859

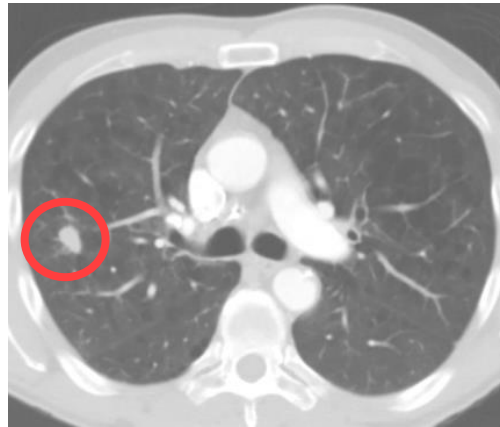
Osarogiagbon et al. J Clin Oncol 2022;40:2094-2105.



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| Pulmonary Nodule Diagnostic Biomarkers

**62-Year-Old Male
Smoker**



LUNG CANCER

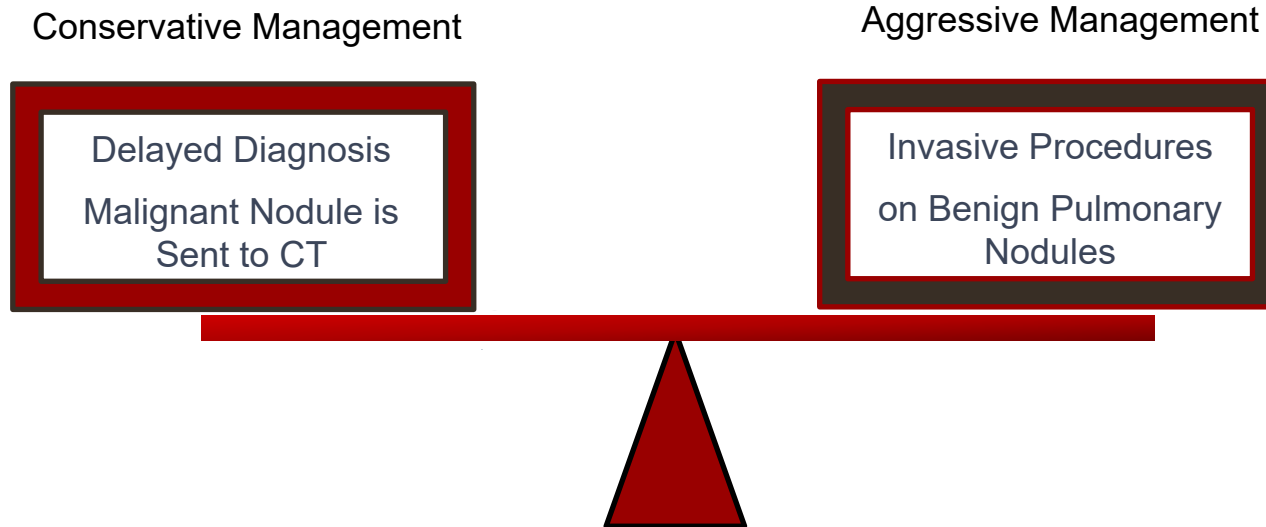
**54-Year-Old Male
Smoker**



HISTOPLASMOSIS



| The Lung Nodule Biomarker: Goal

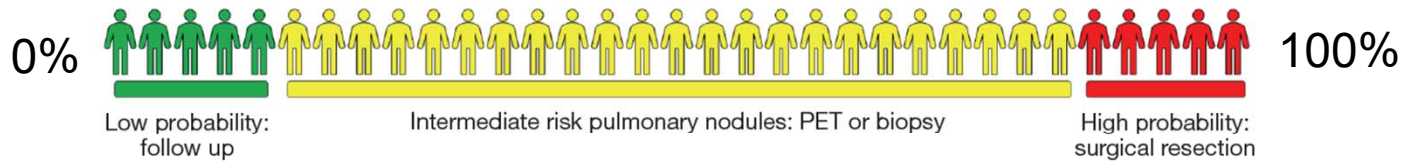


Problem: Intermediate Risk Nodules

The incidentally detected IPN population: roughly 1.2 million per year



Clinical risk model



Combined biomarker model



Lower rate of unnecessary biopsy/thoracotomy/PET

Kammer and Massion. J Thorac Dis. 2020



Commercially Available Nodule Management Biomarkers*

| | Measurement | Validation Cohort | Sens/Spec | Proposed Use | Availability/ Clinical Utility |
|--------------------------------|---|---|------------------------|--|---|
| Nodify CDT (Biodesix) | Blood auto-antibody panel: ELISA | Patients: 1613 Cancers: 61 | Sens: 37% Spec: 91% | Nodule management (intermed. risk) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Positive = aggressive management | Yes / No clinical utility trial |
| Nodify XL2 (Biodesix) | Plasma Protein: MRM Mass Spectrometry + 5 Clinical characteristics (Mayo) | PANOPTIC: Patients: 392 (178*) Cancers: 29 | Sens 97% Spec: 44% | Nodule management (low-intermed risk) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pretest Probability Cancer < 50% Negative = radiologic surveillance | Yes/ Clinical utility trials initiated (ALTITUDE) NCT04171492 |
| Percepta GSC (Veracyte) | Bronchial epithelial cells: mRNA/gene expression profile | AEGIS-1/AEGIS-2 Patients: 639 Cancers: 487 | Sens: 88% Spec: 47% | Nodules (intermed risk) undergoing bronchoscopy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negative = radiologic surveillance | Yes / Clinical Utility extrapolated |
| Percepta Nasal Swab (Veracyte) | Nasal epithelial cells: mRNA/gene expression + clinical risk factors | AEGIS-2 Patients: 130 Cancers: 66 | Sens: 91% Spec: 52% | Nodules (intermediate risk) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negative = radiologic surveillance | Yes/ No clinical utility trial |
| REVEAL (MagArray) | Blood tumor mRNA by Nanostring (Biochip) + clinical | Patients: 97 Cancers: 51 | Sens: 94% Spec: 33% | Nodules (intermediate risk) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low score = radiologic surveillance | Yes/ No clinical utility trial |

Large clinical validation/registry studies ongoing - LungLB (LungLifeAI), DELFI, GRAIL, DetermaDx Lung, bioAffinity, 4-MP, many multi-cancer platforms

Sears, Mazzone. Clin Chest Med. 2020. Trivedi et al. Biomed Research Clin Practice. 2018. Kossenkov et al. Cancer Res. 2019. Ostrin et al. J Thorac Oncol. 2021. Mazzone et al. J Clin Oncol. 2021 (abst, 8551)



Trend: Pan-Cancer Biomarkers Galleri (GRAIL)

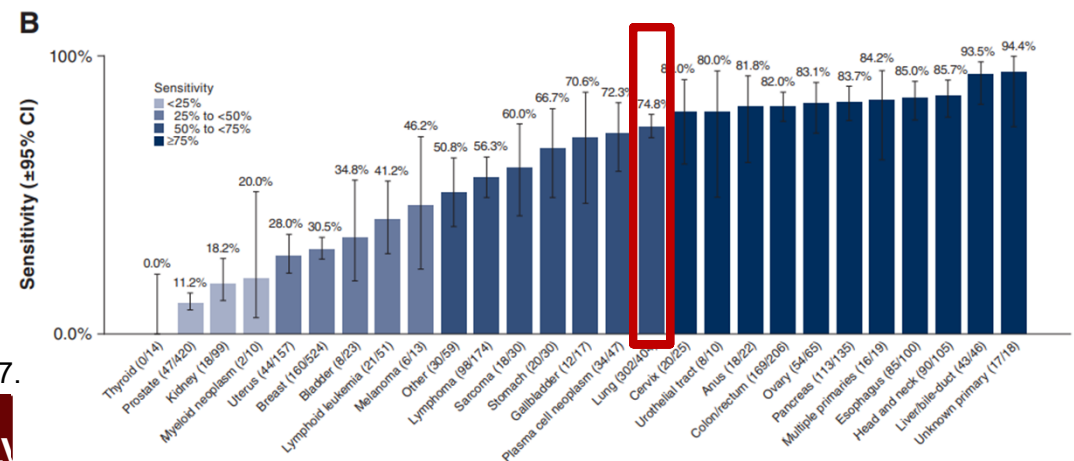
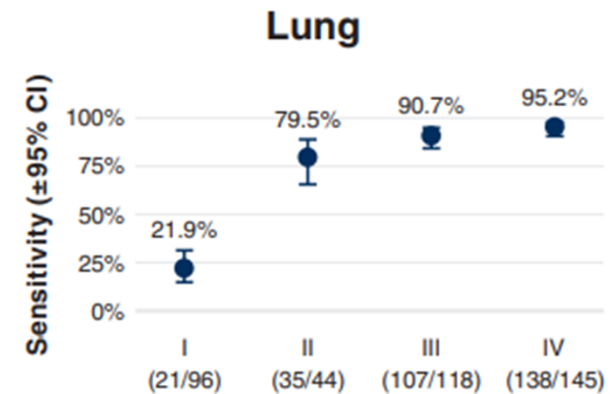
Targeted Genome Methylation Assay using cfDNA

Prospective collection/retrospective analysis (CCGA)

- 15,254 patients (8584 cancer, 6670 non-cancer)
- 142 sites in N. America
- Clinical validation on 5309 participants

Sens: 51.5% (75% Lung Cancer)

Spec: 99.5%



Klein et al. *Annals Oncol.* 2021;32(9):1167-1177.

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Trend = Less Invasive

Percepta - (AEGIS-1 and -2)

Bronchial airway cells, mRNA gene panel

Low-intermediate risk nodule/non-dx bronchoscopy

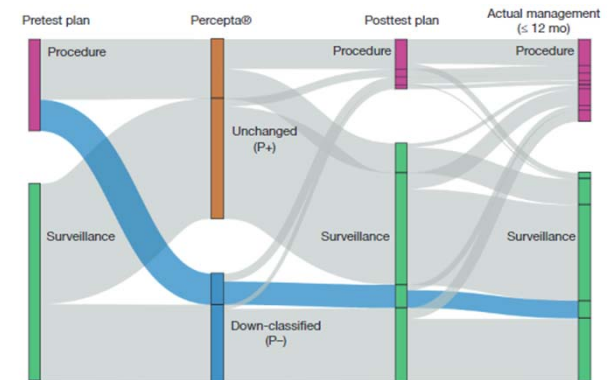
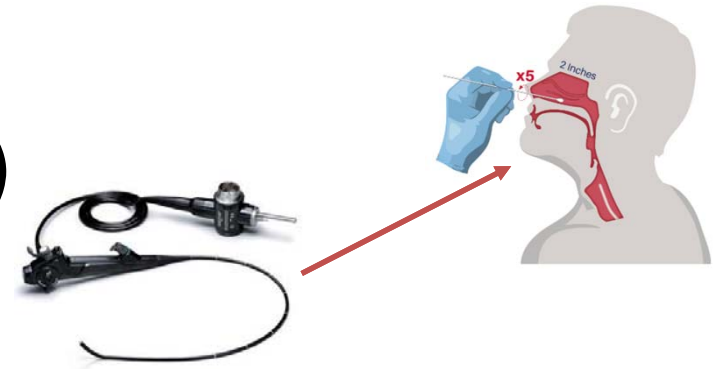
“Rule-Out” Biomarker

Registry = of 34% down-classified,

78% had change in clinical practice

Est. 74% decrease planned procedures (initially)

Cost: predicted cost-effective (ICER \$15,052/QALY)¹



¹Silvestri et al. NEJM 2015; 373:243-251.

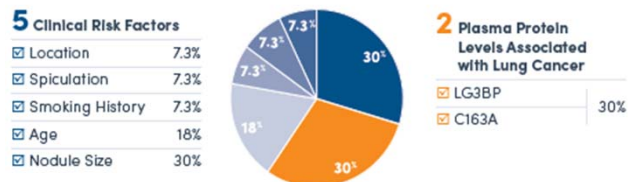
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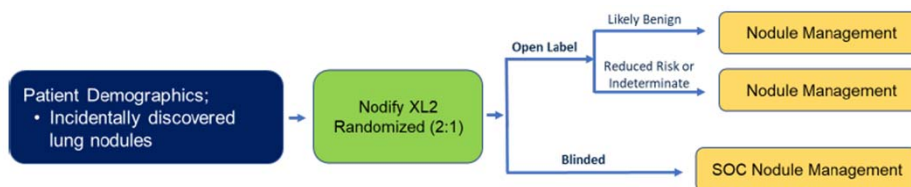
Trend: Confirming Clinical Utility Nodify XL2 - ALTITUDE Study

Low-intermediate risk incidental nodule
“Rule-Out” Biomarker, blood, MRM proteomics

Nodify XL2 – Biomarker + Clinical Risk

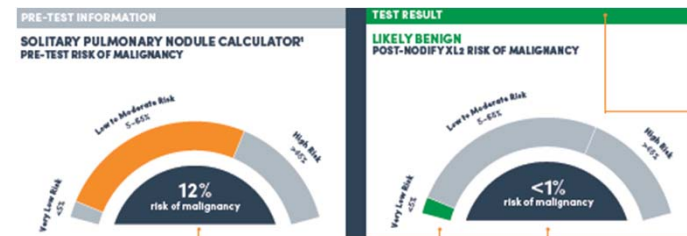


ALTITUDE – Clinical Utility Study



Results of Clinical Validation Study (PANOPTIC)

- Sensitivity: 97%. NPV 98%.
- Anticipated 47% fewer procedures on benign nodules (reclassified < 5% risk)

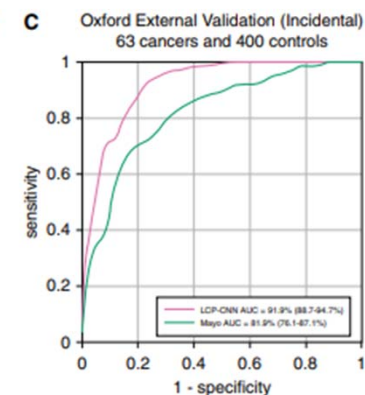
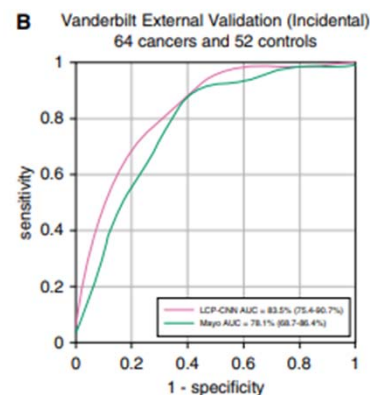
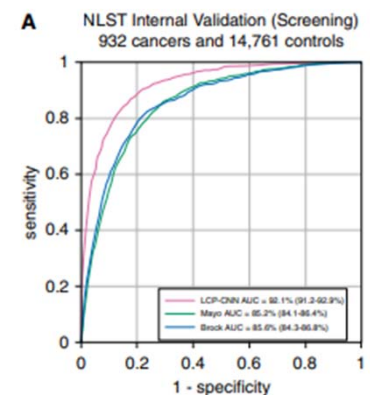
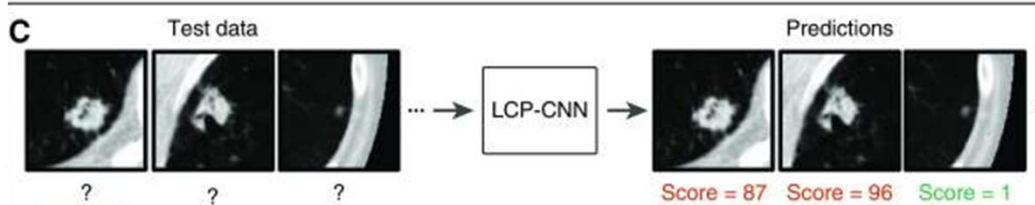
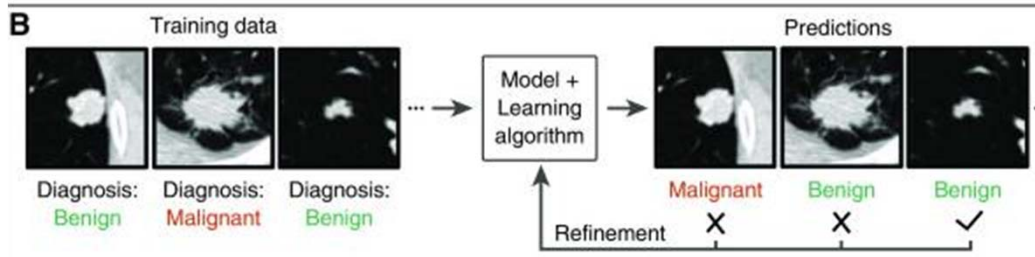
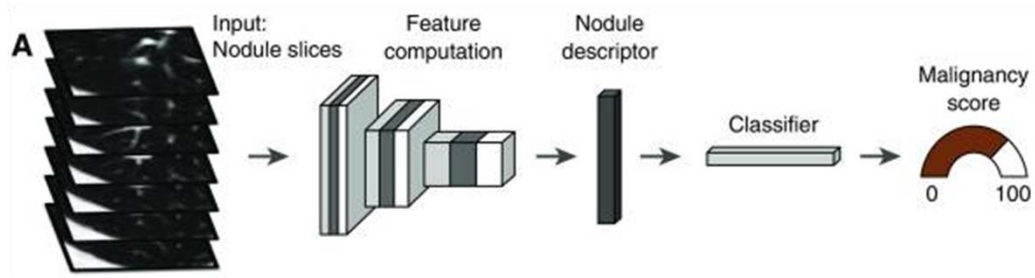


Silvestri et al. Chest 2018;154(3):491-500.



Trend – Radiomics based on Deep Learning Modeling

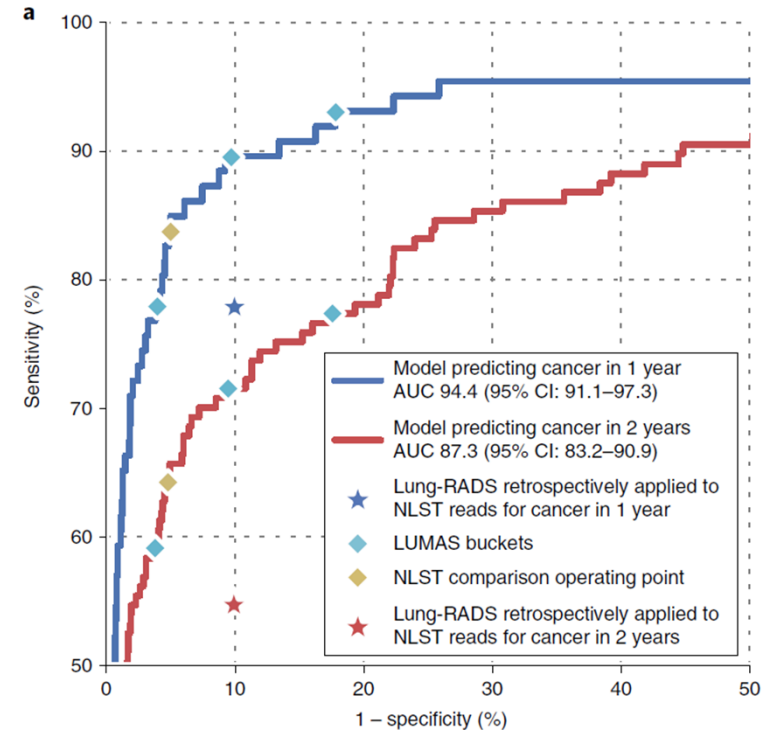
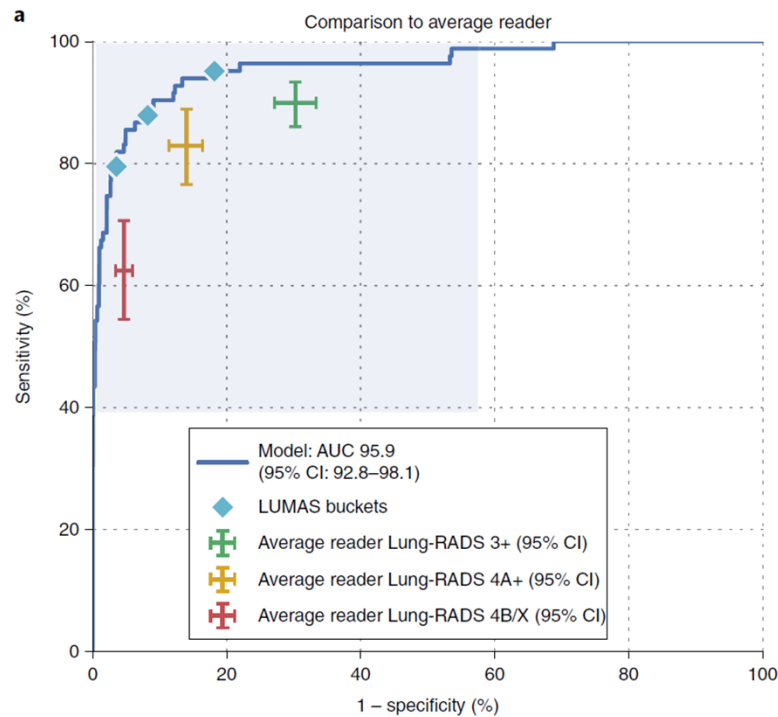
LCP-CNN for Nodule Risk Assessment



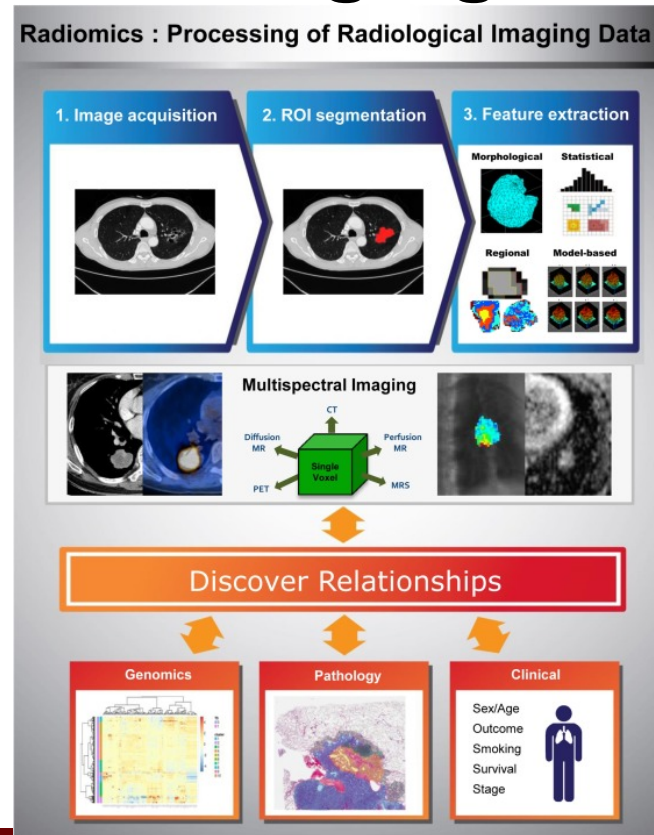
Massion et al. Am J Resp Crit Care Med. 2020;202(2):241-249



LCS: Radiomics vs Radiologists: LUMAS



Radiomics and imaging biomarkers

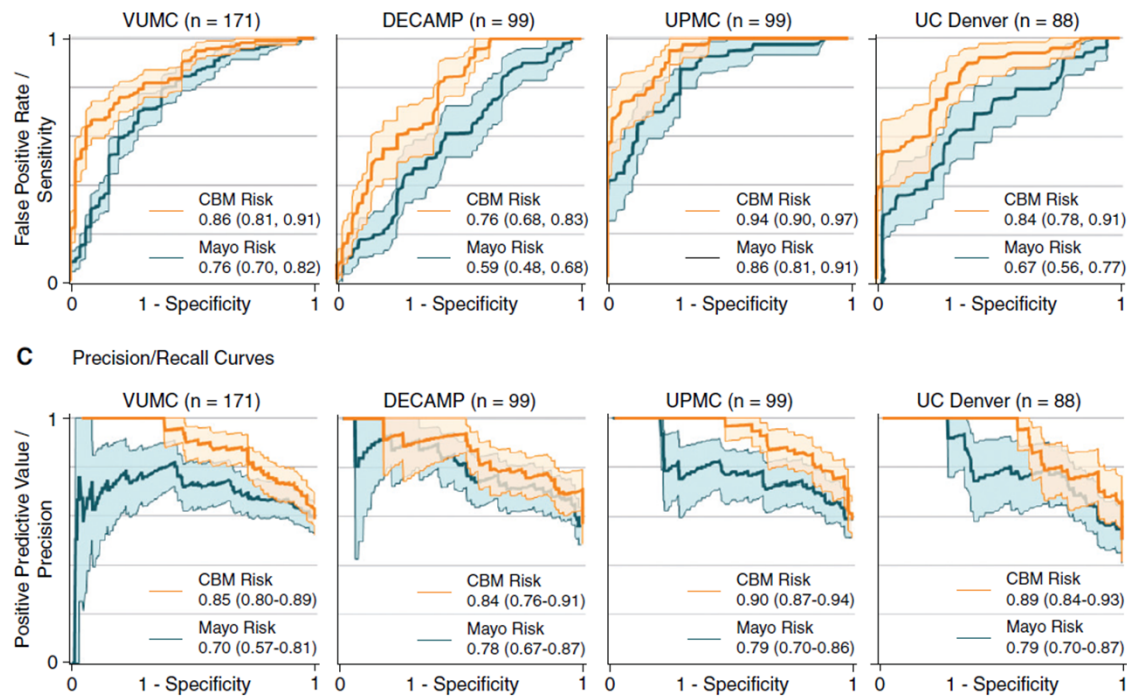


Lee et al. European J Radiol. 2017;86:297-307



Trend: Combining Modalities for Nodule Diagnosis Combined Blood, Imaging, Clinical Biomarkers (CBM)

Blood (CYFRA 21-1) + Risk Module (Mayo) + Radiomics (nodule machine learning)



Kammer et al. Am J Respir Crit Care Med. 2021.



Conclusions

- Rapid expansion of biomarkers in conjunction with imaging
 - Lung cancer screening/Earlier lung cancer diagnosis
 - Nodule risk assessment
- Increasing biomarker availability*
- Trends in early lung cancer diagnosis
 - Less invasive
 - Liquid biopsies
 - Prediction of utility
 - Clinical utility studies to determine if estimates predict usefulness in practice
 - Radiomics
 - Combining clinical, radiologic and biomarker characteristics to improve performance

