

# Cancer Genomic NHS Services

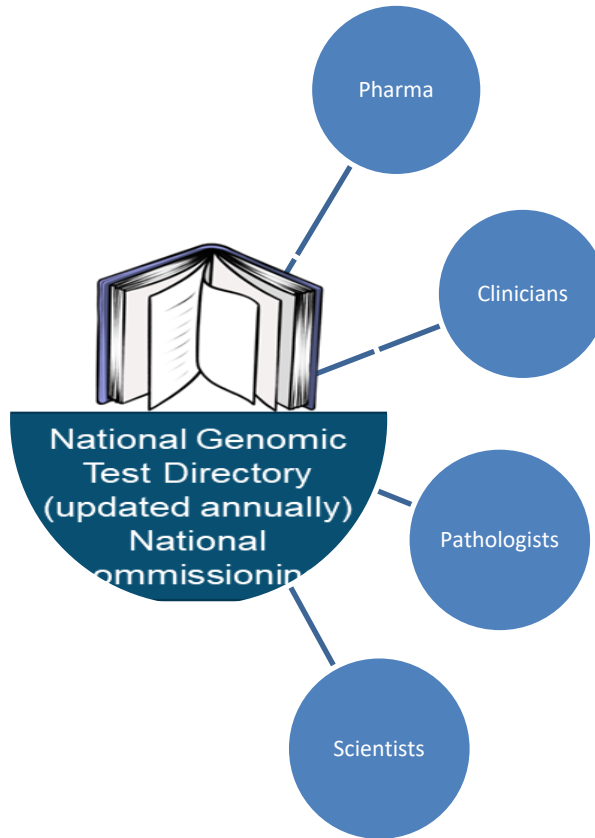
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# NHSE Genomics Unit

7 GLHs



Tests according to the  
NGTD



Cancer  
services

Clinical teams  
Genomic  
education  
Cancer alliances  
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National Genomic  
Test Directory  
(updated annually)  
National  
commissioning

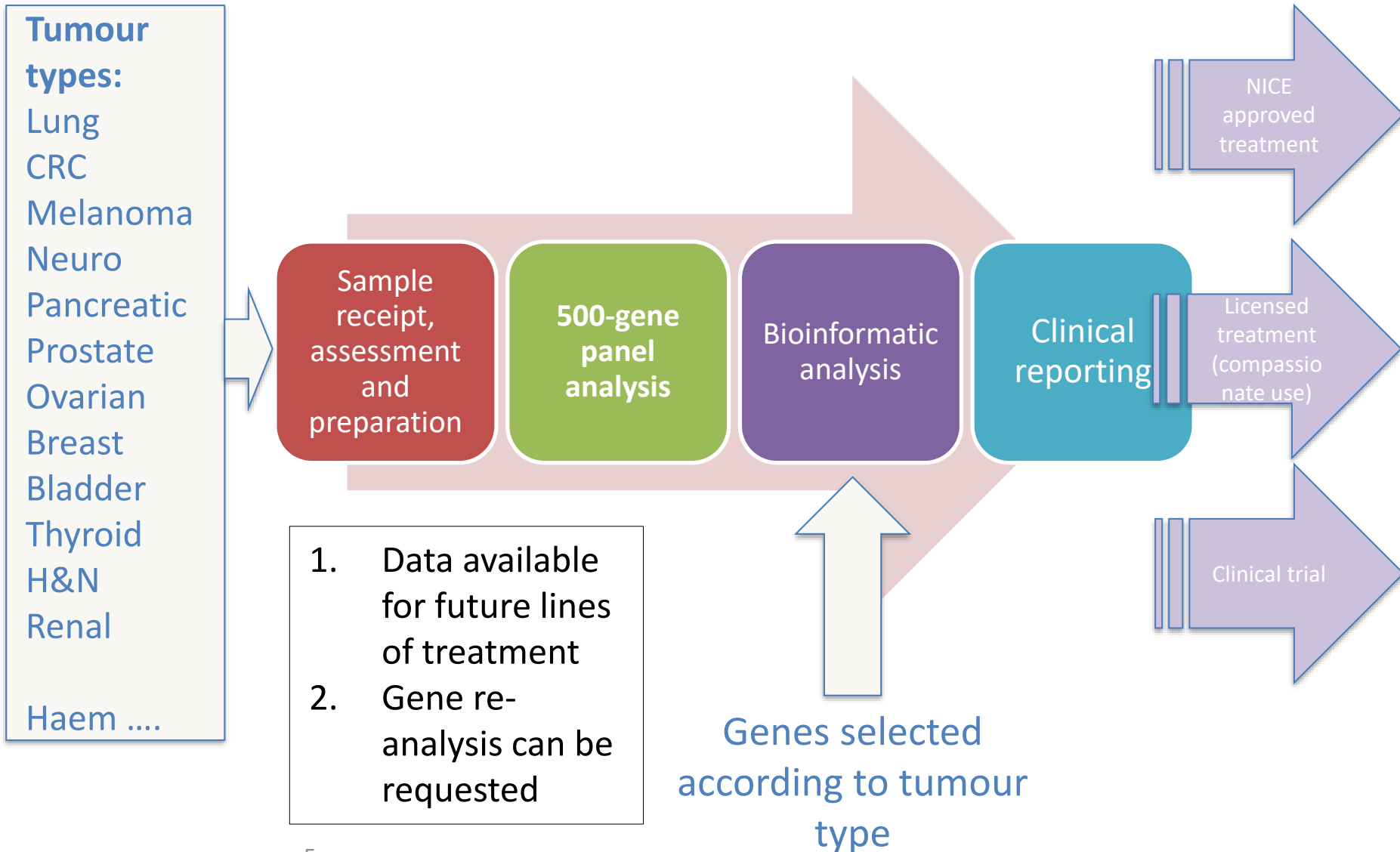
# National Genomic Test Directory

			Essential gene targets	Desirable gene targets
Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer	M4.1	Multi-target NGS panel - small variant (EGFR, ALK, BRAF, KRAS)	<b>EGFR</b> , ALK, BRAF, KRAS	
	M4.2	Multi-target NGS panel - structural variant (ROS1, RET, ELM4-ALK, NTRK1, NTRK1, NTRK3)	ROS1, RET, EML4-ALK, NTRK1, NTRK2, NTRK3	
	M4.3	Multi-target NGS panel - copy number variant (MET)	MET	
	M4.5	EGFR hotspot ctDNA	<b>EGFR</b>	
	M4.11	ALK hotspot ctDNA	ALK	
				<i>ERBB2, AKT1, ARID1A, ARID1B, ARID2, ATM, BRCA1, BRCA2, BRIP1, CDK12, CDK4, CDKN2A, ERBB3, ERBB4, FGFR1, FGFR2, FGFR3, KEAP1, MAP2K1, MET, MET ctDNA, MDM2, NF1, NFE2L2, PALB2, PIK3CA, PTEN, RAD51C, RAD51D, RB1, RBM10, RIT1, SETD2, SMARCA4, STK11, TP53, TSC1, TSC2, U2AF1, NRAS</i>
				<i>CCND1, CCND3, CCNE1, CDKN2A, ERBB2, ERBB3, FGFR3, MDM2, RICTOR</i>
				<i>TMB</i>
				<i>Microsatellite instability analysis</i>
				<i>NRG1, MET</i>
			<i>MET exon 14 skipping</i>	
			<i>ALK, ROS1, RET ctDNA testing</i>	

# New services – summer 2020

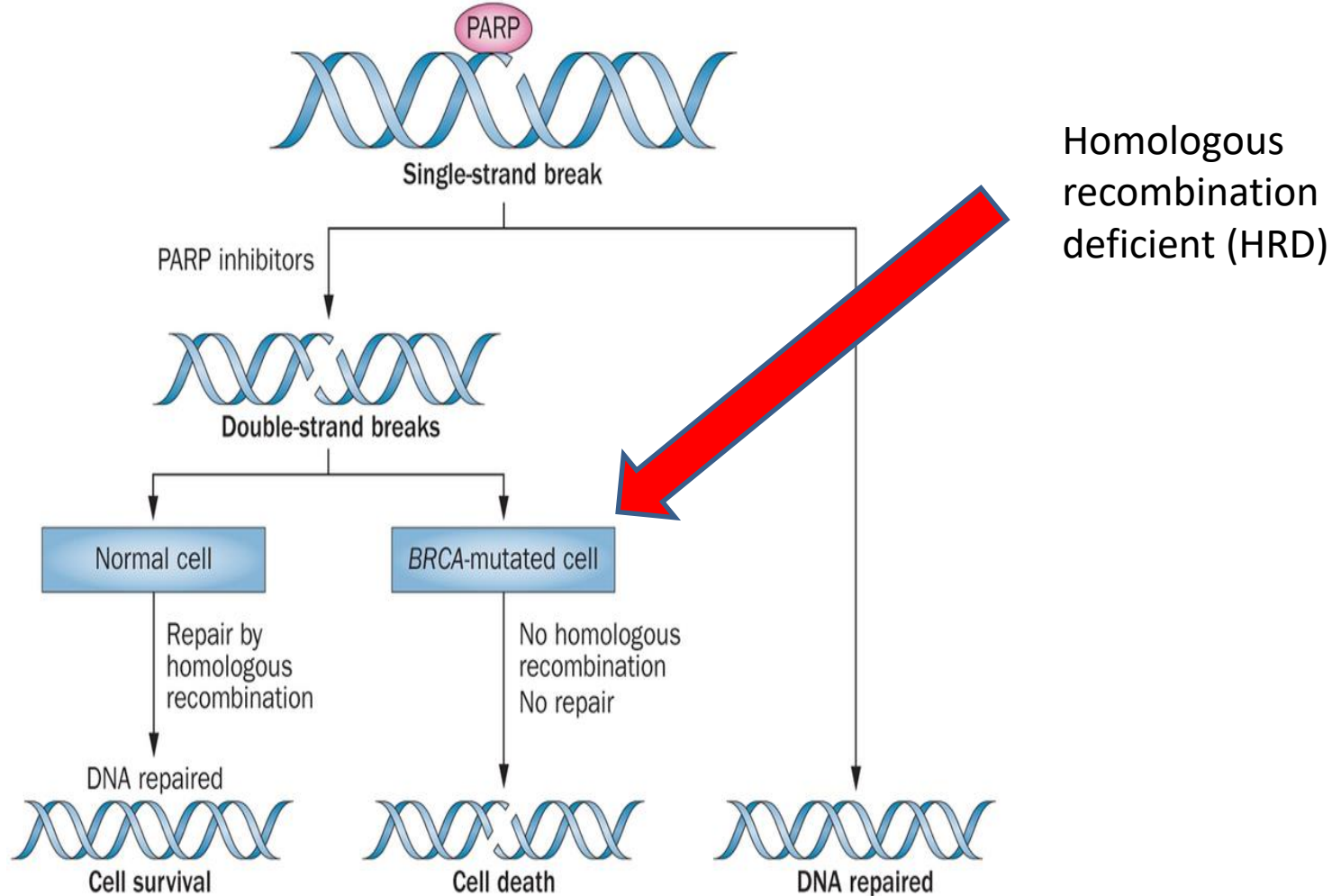
- Gene panel analysis
- BRCA for ovarian cancer
- Gene fusion analysis for NTRK
- Gene fusion analysis in NSCLC
- MSI analysis in newly diagnosed CRC
- DPYD analysis to predict toxicity to fluoropyrimidines
- EGFR ctDNA in NSCLC

# Gene panel strategy: Tumour agnostic



# BRCA analysis in HGS ovarian cancer

# PARPi and synthetic lethality



# High grade serous ovarian cancer

- ~15% have a BRCA1 or 2 mutation
  - 2/3 are germline
  - 1/3 somatic (tumour only)
  - The majority will be detected by sequencing the tumour
- High response rate to PARP inhibitors (much better than chemo)



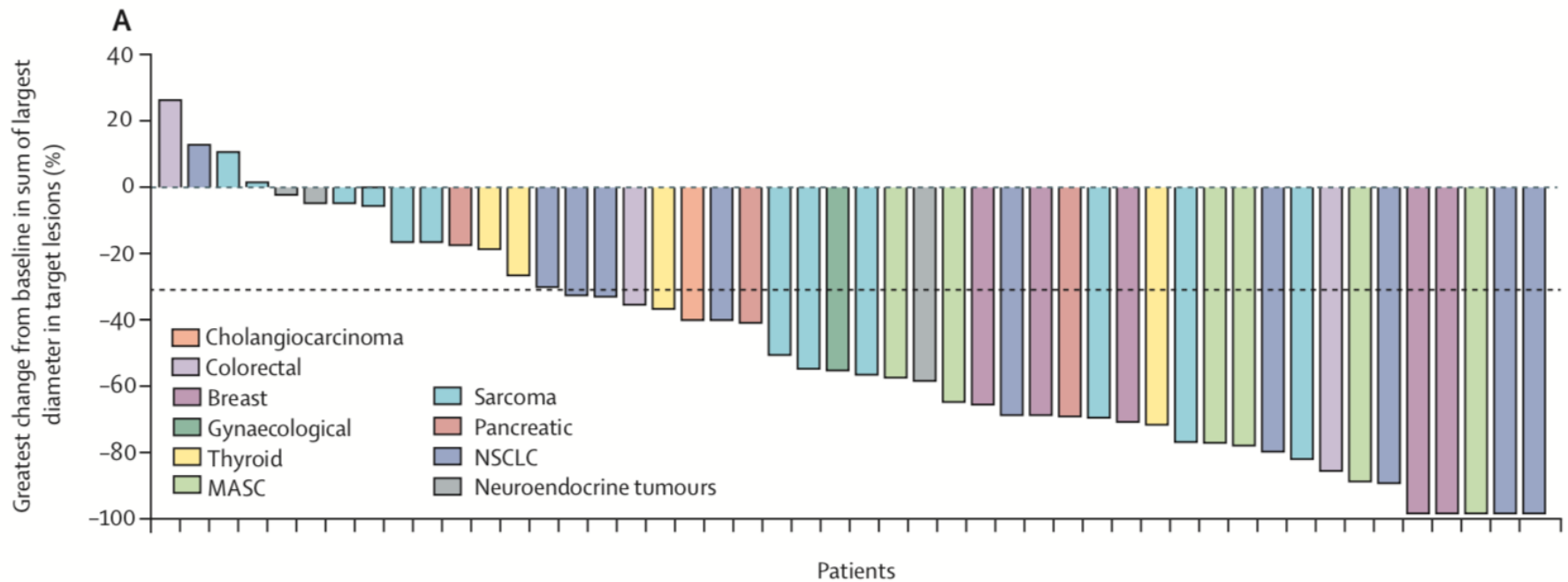
# Gene fusion analysis

## Tumour agnostic strategy

- This is applied to both NTRK and also gene fusions in NSCLC, thyroid, H&N.....

# Benefits: NTRK – multiple childhood and adult cancers

- Neurotrophin Receptor Tyrosine Kinase oncogenic gene fusions
- TRK inhibitors - Entrectinib / Larotrectinib
- Phase I / II trials – 75% objective response across 17 cancer types



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# Roll-out of NTRK fusion services

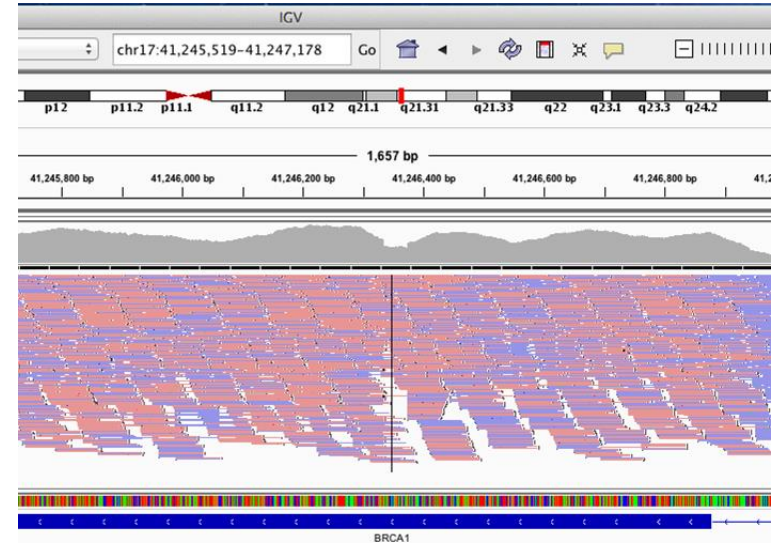
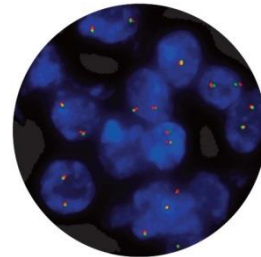
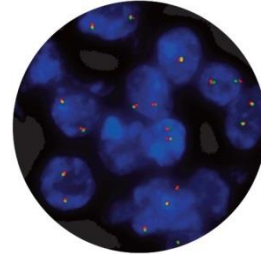
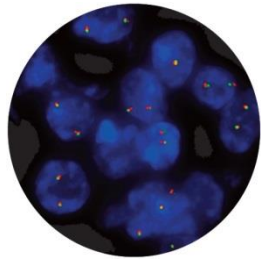
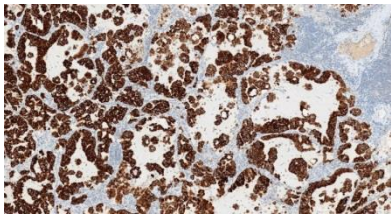
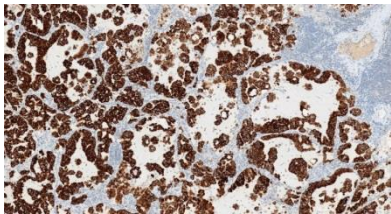
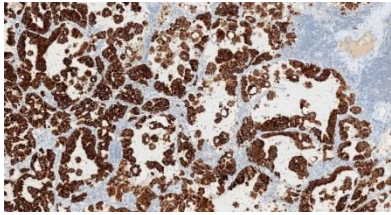
## Phase 1 – From April 20

- Rare cancers that have a very high incidence of NTRK gene fusion ie >90%:
  - Paediatric - infantile fibrosarcoma and congenital mesoplastic nephroma
  - Adult cancers - mammary variant salivary gland carcinoma and secretory breast cancer
- Cancers in which NTRK gene fusions account for 5-25%: gastrointestinal stromal tumours (GISTs), thyroid cancers and spitzoid neoplasms.
- Paediatric patients who are being seen in PTCs and TYA (would normally be patients up to the age of 25 in line with NHS England definition of cancer services for children and young people).

## Phase 2 – From August 20

- Larotrectinib is approved for use through the CDF and indicated for NTRK gene fusion-positive solid tumour patients with locally-advanced or metastatic disease, or where surgical resection is likely to result in severe morbidity, for whom standard therapies have failed, or none are available, and are fit for further treatment.

# NSCLC – ALK, ROS and RET fusions



**3 x IHC and FISH**

**OR**

**1 NGS**

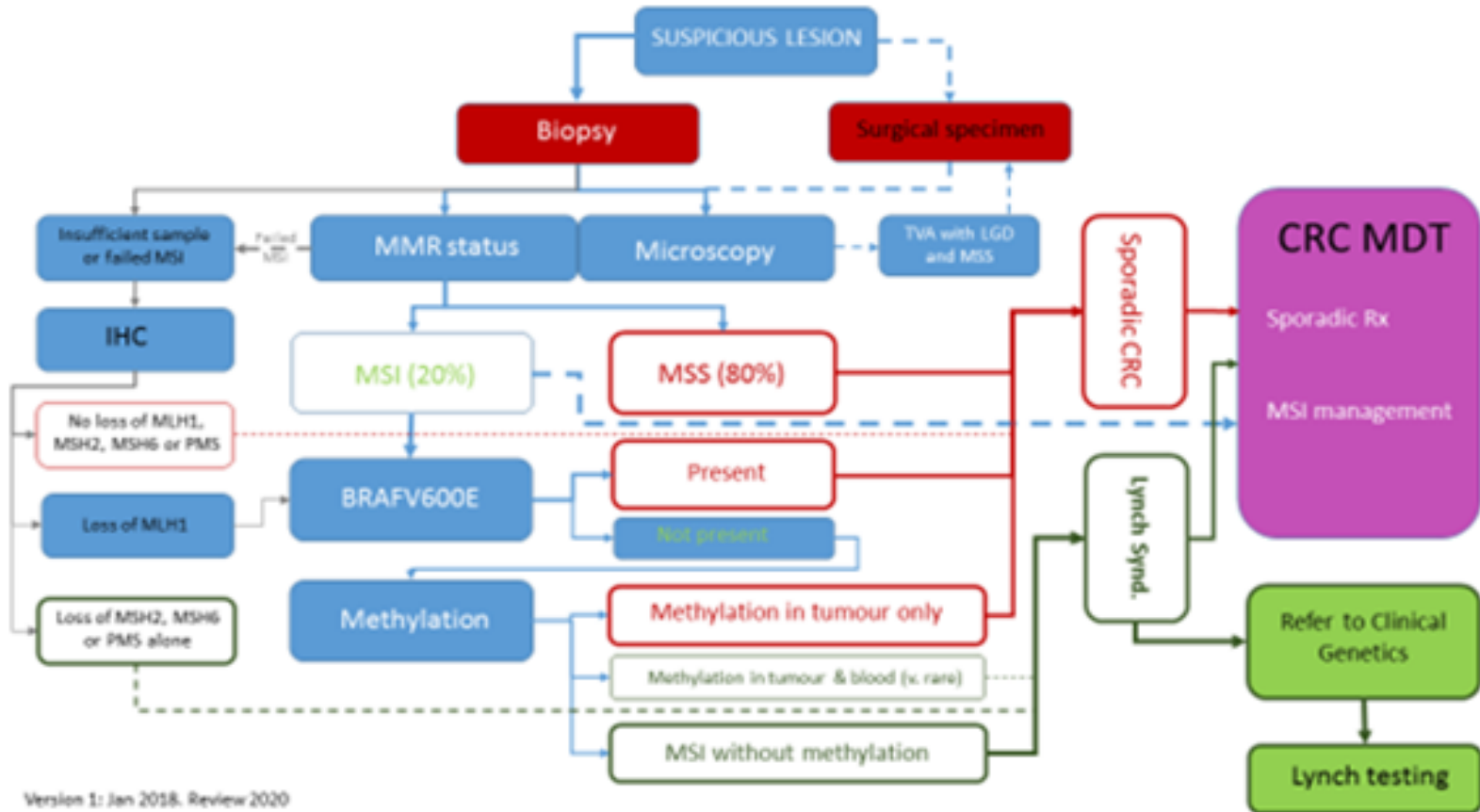
Plus bonus additional gene fusions. e.g. NTRK, and information about gene partners

Gene fusion analysis will be run in parallel to DNA analysis for EGFR, KRAS, BRAF etc.

# MSI analysis in newly diagnosed CRC

- MSI will be performed for sporadic CRC patients at diagnosis in accordance with NICE guidance (DG27), with the aim of identifying those patients (and their families) at risk of Lynch syndrome. The test has the benefit of also identifying those stage II patients who will not benefit from chemotherapy, and those patients who are likely to benefit from immunotherapy.
- MMR immunohistochemistry (IHC) may be used to supplement MSI analysis where tissue is scarce or unsuitable for genetic analysis.

# Pathway



# MSI: Patient outcomes

80% of samples will test **Normal for MSI** i.e. stable.

These patients are at negligible risk of their cancer being associated with Lynch syndrome

20% of samples will be **MSI unstable**

Patients whose tumour samples exhibit MSI instability are more likely to respond to immunotherapy, stage II patients show no benefit to chemotherapy.

Further tests are required to identify which of the MSI unstable patients are likely to have Lynch syndrome. Patients for whom both the *BRAF* p. V600E and *MLH1* promoter methylation is absent will be reported as **MSI unstable – an increased likelihood of Lynch syndrome (~2%)**. A recommendation for referral to Clinical Genetics will be included in these reports.

# DPYD deficiency – A pharmacogenetic test

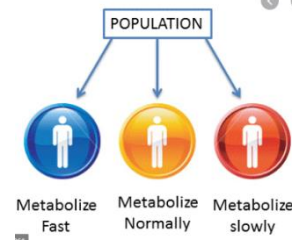


## **The NHS still isn't warning bowel cancer patients that their chemo can kill them - despite eight months passing since the alarm was raised**

- Lynn Stevens was diagnosed with bowel cancer after a routine test screening
- After successful surgery in January this year, Lynn appeared to be in the clear
- Doctors advised a course of chemotherapy, to wipe out any rogue cells
- On March 21 Lynn had her first and only dose of intravenous fluorouracil
- Less than four weeks later, she was dead, aged just 66 - poisoned by the very drug that was supposed to prolong her life



# Pharmacogenomics



## Genetic prediction of drug metabolism

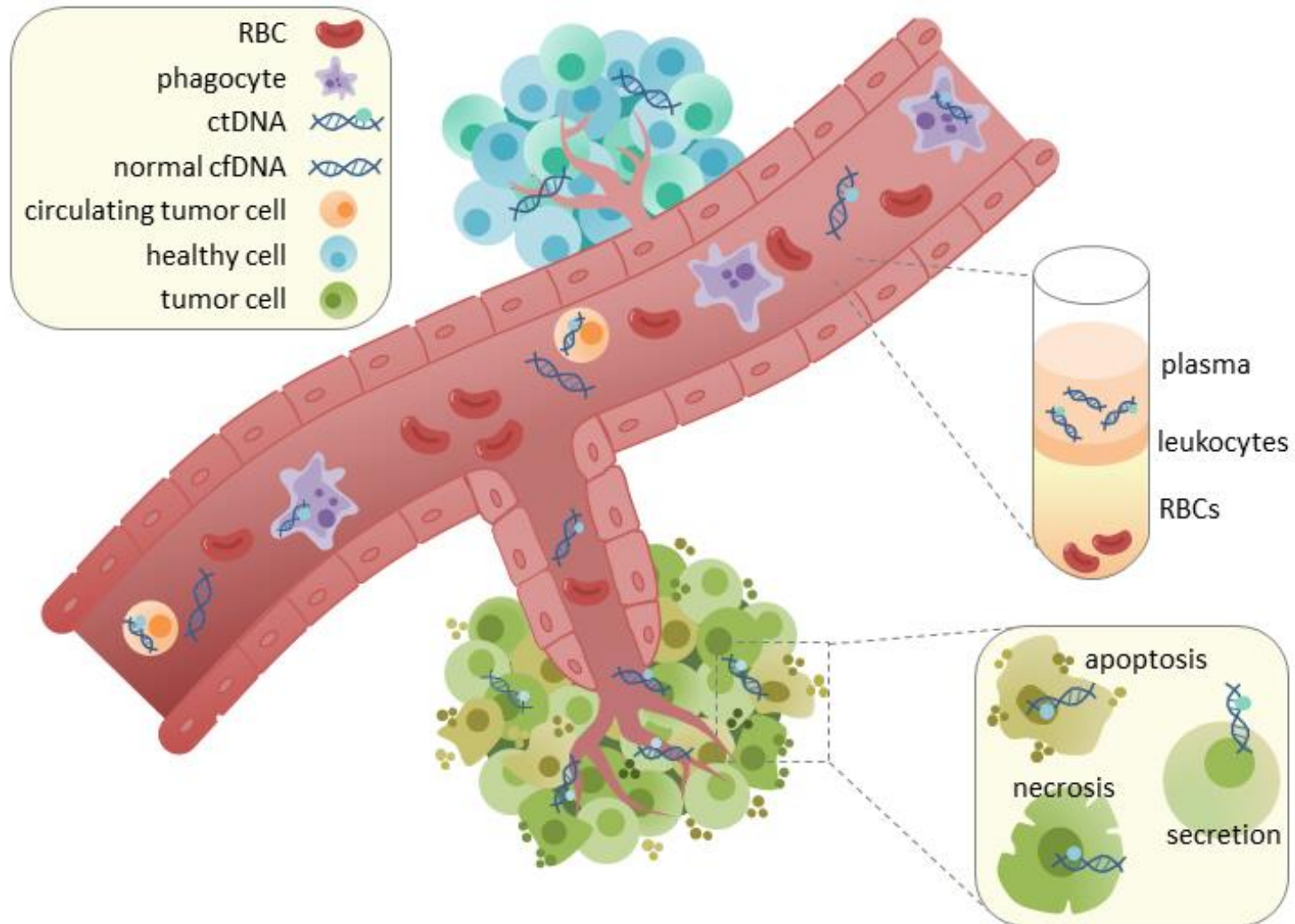
e.g. DPYD for fluoropyrimidines

- Fluoropyrimidine anticancer drugs have been widely used for more than 60 years.
- Over 2 million newly diagnosed patients each year are treated with fluoropyrimidines.
- 5-Fluorouracil (5FU)
  - IV - colon, oesophageal, stomach, pancreatic, breast and cervical cancer
  - cream – actinic keratosis, basal cell carcinoma, skin warts
  - oral prodrug capecitabine (Xeloda)
- Generally 6 cycles of treatment – each lasting 2-4 weeks
- Up to 30% of patients have severe treatment related toxicity:
  - diarrhoea, mucositis, myelosuppression, hand-foot syndrome
- NHSE has currently approved testing for 4 DPYD variants based on :
  - Clinical Pharmacogenetics Implementation Consortium (CPIC) Guidelines - 2017
  - Population frequency
  - Established impact on enzyme function and toxicity risk
  - Approx. 7% of Europeans carry at least one of these 4 *DPYD* variants

# ctDNA analysis of EGFR in NSCLC

- ctDNA has many applications in cancer diagnostics.
- We currently have 1 clinical diagnostic service approved on the NGTD, for EGFR testing in NSCLC. This is for 2 applications:
  - For EGFR mutation-positive patients who are progressing on an EGFR TKI, where we specifically look for the p.T790M variant
  - For NSCLC patients where an EGFR test has not been possible, or has failed due to the lack of tissue

# Circulating tumour DNA



- There are many more new services to come
  - New gene targets
  - **New tumour types**
- Service consolidation
  - NHSE model is for all tests in 1 lab per GLH:  
Efficiencies, patient equity, standardisation, access to new tests / treatment
  - Not supported by some path labs in SW