# Interrogating the molecular profile of solid tumors in **Puerto Rican Hispanics:**

Defining actionable mutations and drivers of carcinogenesis

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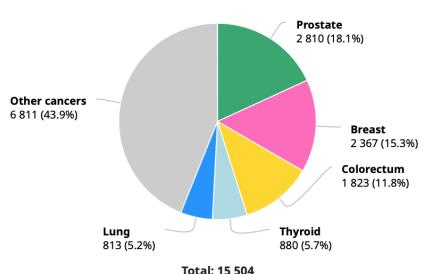
# **Background & Significance**

International Agency for Research on Cancer
World Health
Organization

Since 2014, **cancer** is the leading cause of morbidity and mortality in Puerto Rico

WHO International Agency for Research on Cancer 2018:

- Incidence: 15,504
- Prevalence in a 5-year period:
- Most common cancer types
  - Prostate
  - Breast
  - Colorectum

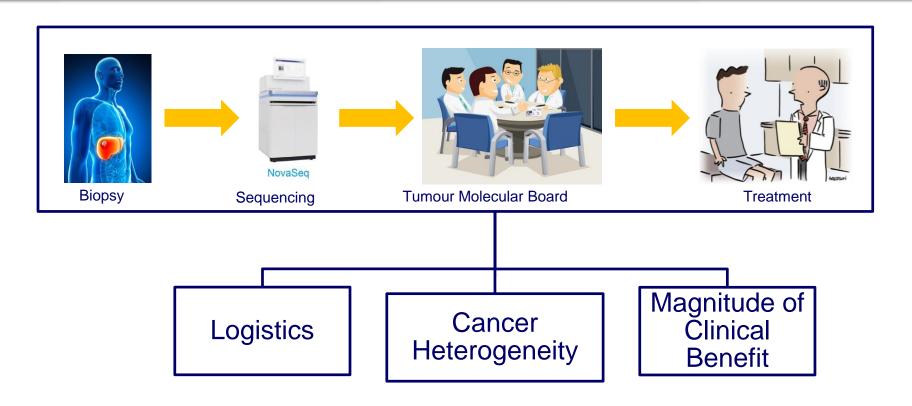


### **Cancer Related Death in Puerto Rico 2018**

Cancer death in Puerto Rico: 5,502

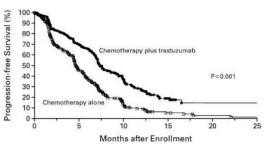
Cancer types with highest mortality rates in PR in 2018	Cancer types with highest mortality rates globally in 2018
Colorectal Cancer (12.3%)	Breast cancer (12.9%)
Lung/Bronchus (11.3%)	Prostate Cancer (12.3%)
Prostate (9.2%)	Colorectal Cancer (9.8%)

# Precision Oncology as a Framework for Patient Care



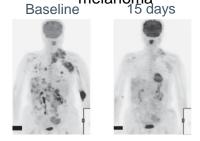
# **Molecularly-Targeted therapies**

#### **Trastuzumab in HER2-positive**



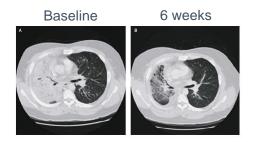
Slamon DJ, et al. N Engl J Med. 2001;344(11):783-92

# Vemurafenib in **BRAF V600E-**mutated melanoma



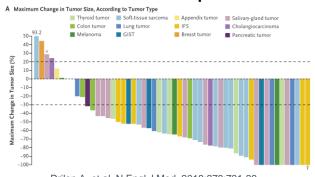
Flaherty KT, et al. N Engl J Med. 2010;363(9):809-19

#### **Gefitinib in EGFR-mutated NSCLC**



Lynch TJ, et al. N Engl J Med. 2004;350(21):2129-39

#### Larotrectinib in TRK fusion-positive cancers



Drilon A, et al. N Engl J Med. 2018;378:731-39

# Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Genomic Sequencing

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### Individual patient data from 5,729 samples TCGA

- 12% were Black
- 3% were Asian
- 3% were Hispanic

Due to limited number of racial/ethnic minorities detection of mutational frequencies of 5% were not identified for any cancer type analyzed (vs. NHW that mutations with 5% frequency were identified for all cancers)

# **Precision Oncology Alliance**

- POA created to collect and share molecular data for analysis
- UPR joined the POA in July 2019 as the 28<sup>th</sup> Institution that joined the Alliance
- In 2020 submitted a Letter of Intent to evaluate the tumors from PR using deidentified data



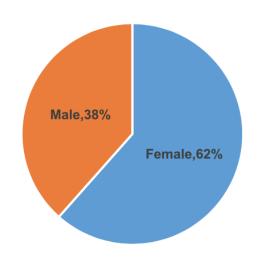
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#### **METHODS:**

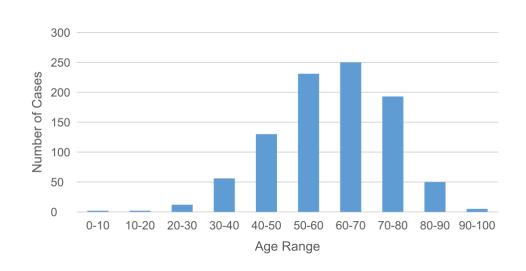
- Study Design: retrospective descriptive study
- Participants: 931 patients from Puerto Rico whose tumors were analyzed by Next Generation Sequence platform by Caris Life Sciences © between the years 2015 to 2020
- Data Source: CARIS Life Sciences © Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) provides the data used in this study
   We collected the tumor type, primary tumor location, presence of a pathogenic mutation and type of mutation

## Molecular Characterization of PR Hispanics

# Number of Cancer Cases by Gender (n=931)

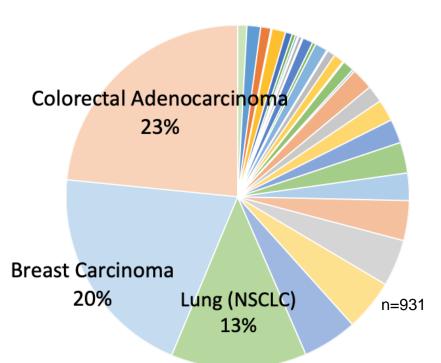


# Number of Cancer Cases by Age Range (n=931)



# **Preliminary Results**

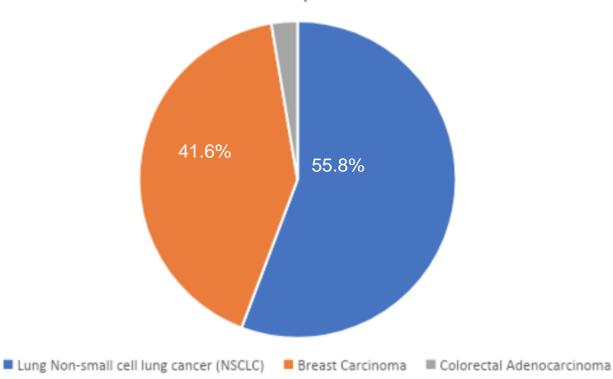




Type of Cancer	Percent (%)		
Colorectal Adenocarcinoma	23.4		
Breast Carcinoma	20.3		
Lung Non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)	12.8		
Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma	5.2		
Ovarian Surface Epithelial Carcinomas	4.8		
Female Genital Tract Malignancy	4.4		
Cancer of Unknown Primary	3.8		
Cholangiocarcinoma	2.9		
Gastric Adenocarcinoma	2.6		
Soft Tissue Tumors	2.3		
Esophageal and Esophagogastric Junction Carcinoma	2.0		
Prostatic Adenocarcinoma	1.6		
Cervical Cancer	1.3		
Head and Neck Cancers	1.3		
Neuroendocrine tumors	1.2		

# PDL1 Expression

PD-L1 positive status by the 3 most frequent type of cancer in sample



# Comparison of TCGA, GENIE and POA datasets for the detection of clinically actionable alterations in Hispanics with Colorectal Cancer

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## **Cancer Databases Studied**



# The Cancer Genome Atlas (NCI)



**Genomics Evidence Neoplasia Information Exchange (GENIE)** 



**Precision Oncology Alliance** 

# **Demographics Characteristics of Cohorts**

		RH 218)		TCG <i>I</i> (n=59		GENIE-NON-H (n=9,427)			GENIE-H (n=724)		
Characteristics	N	%	N	%	p- value	N	%	p- value	N	%	p- value
Sex											
Men	121	55.5	312	52.5	0.45	5,143	54.6	0.79	406	56.1	0.88
Women	97	44.5	280	47.1	0.50	4,277	45.4	0.79	318	43.9	0.88
Unk	0	0.0	2	0.3	0.39	7	0.1	0.64	0	0.0	-
Age at which sequencing was reported											
Mean	58.5	6	56.1			58.0			57.9		

## Actionable Biomarkers in Colon Adenocarcinoma (n=218)

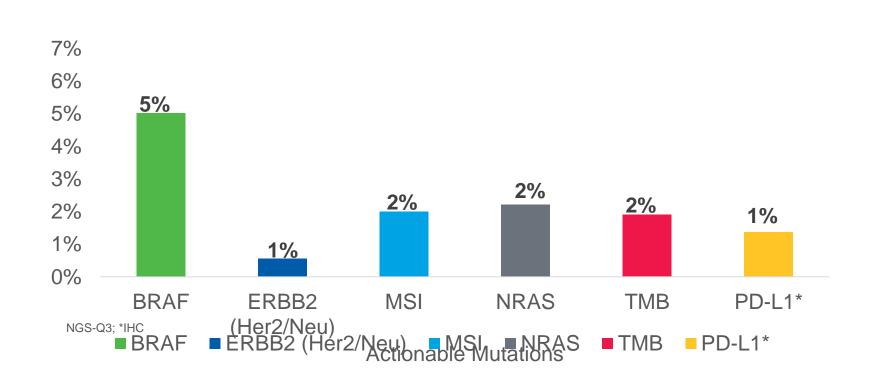
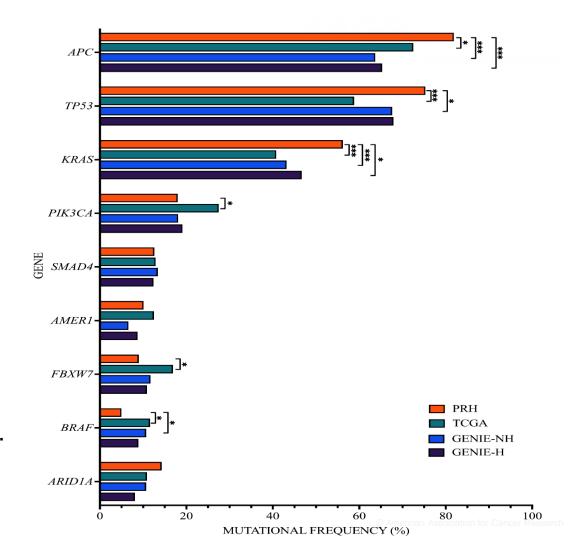
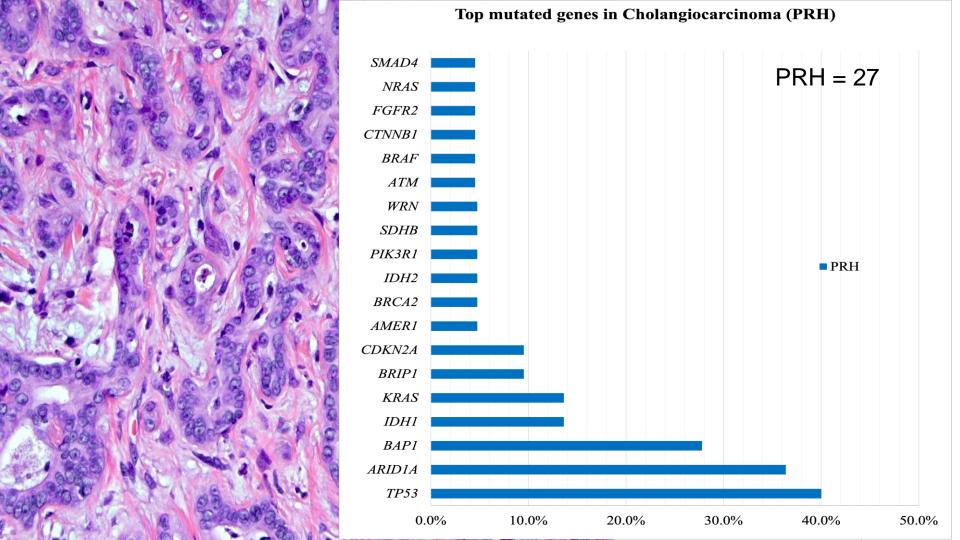


Figure. Mutational frequencies of *APC, TP53, KRAS, PIK3CA, SMAD4, AMER1, FBXW7, BRAF* and *ARID1A* in PRH, TCGA, GENIE-NH and GENIE-H.

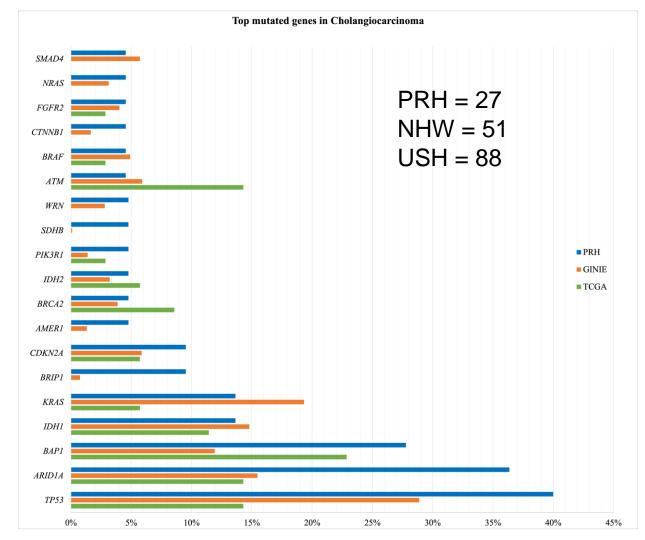
Significant differences between PRH and other populations are denoted with an asterisk (\*p< 0.05, \*\*p< 0.01, and \*\*\*p< 0.001).





**Figure**. Mutations in actionable genes were seen in:

IDH1 (14%) FGFR2 (5%) HRD genes (ATM, BRCA2, CDKN2A)





PRH = 48 patients

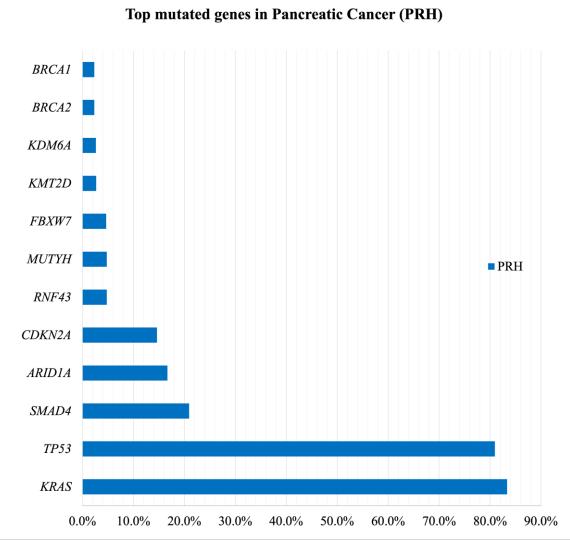
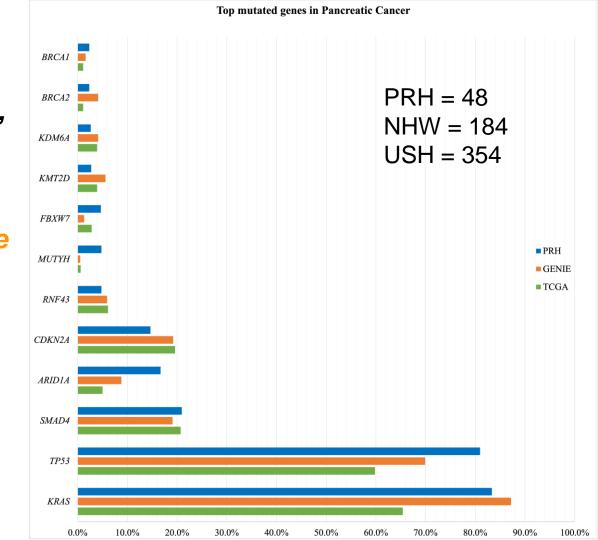


Figure. Mutational
Frequencies of *KRAS*, *TP53*, *SMAD4*, *P16*, *MUTYH*, *BRCA1*/2

No alterations in actionable biomarkers MSI, NTRK1-3

Significant differences between PRH and other populations were detected for *TP53, KRAS and P16 (p* <0.001)



# Conclusions

- Integration of NGS technologies into clinical management of cancer patients is an integral part of precision oncology (NCCN guidelines)
- Defining the molecular profile of PRH will inform clinicians, scientists and health policy stake-holders about actionable mutations to guide research, treatment and health policy efforts
- Collaboration between private industry, community and academic sectors is key to accelerate translation of scientific discoveries into clinical practice

# "IF WE DIDN'T HAVE GENETIC MUTATIONS, WE WOULDN'T HAVE US. YOU NEED ERROR TO OPEN THE DOOR TO THE ADJACENT POSSIBLE."

STEVEN JOHNSON

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