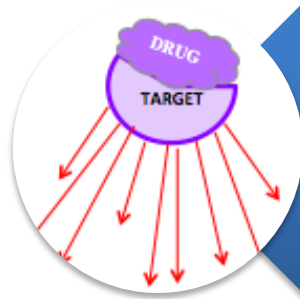


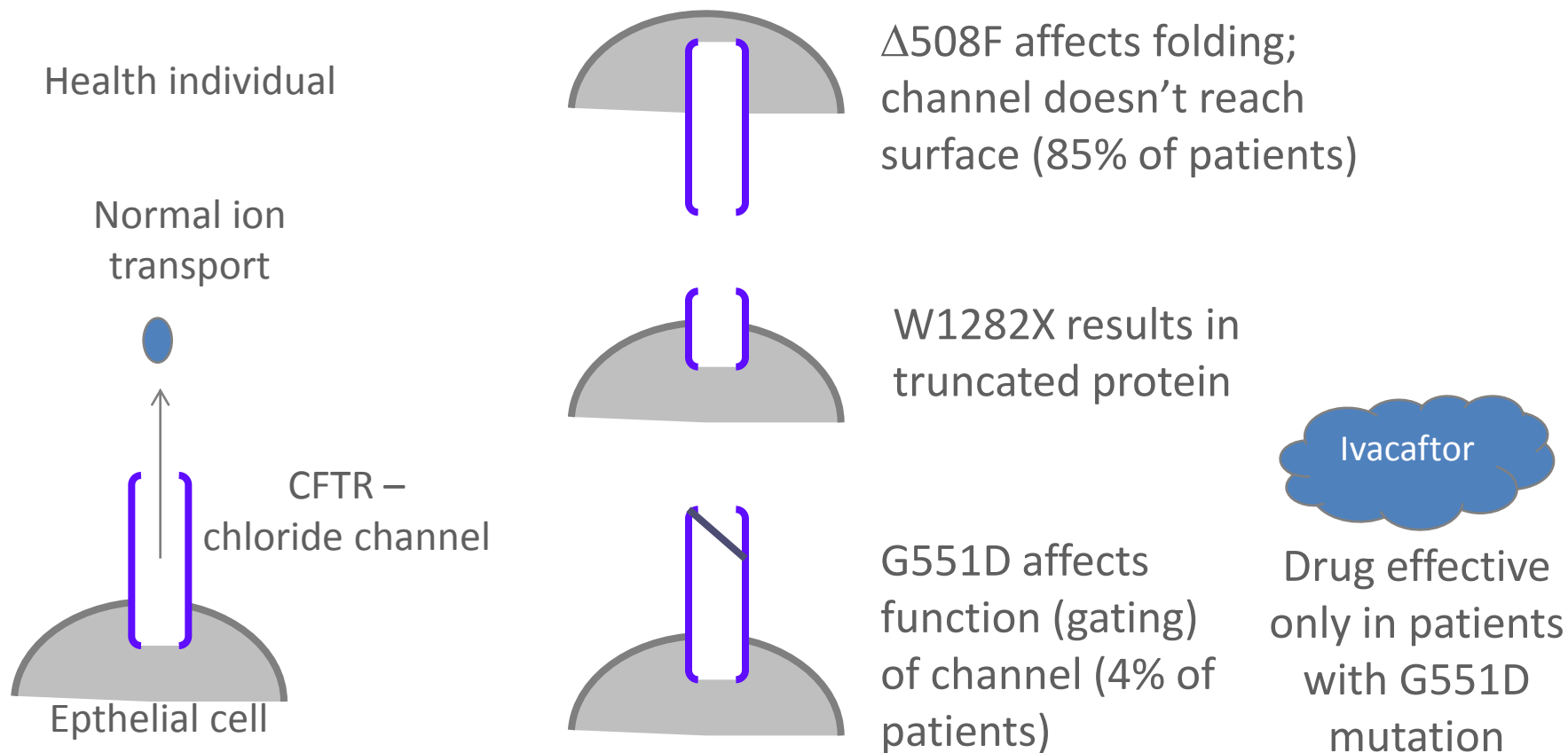
# MODULE 3: Is my patient a candidate for pharmacogenomic testing?

# Consider pharmacogenomic testing if...



It is required for efficacy

# CFTR genotype-dependent efficacy of Ivacaftor



>1000 mutations lead to Cystic Fibrosis, each affecting CFTR protein in different ways

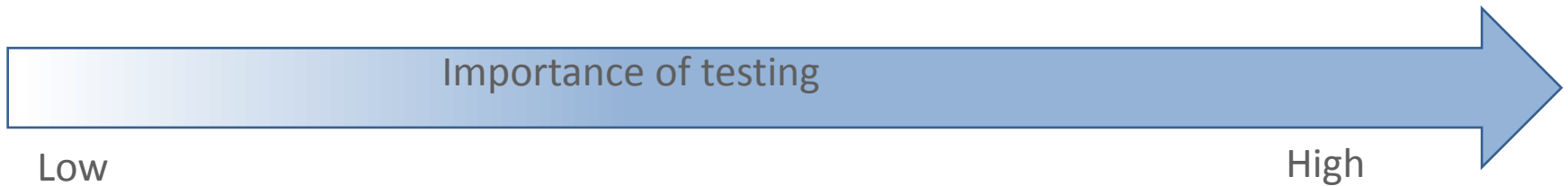
Just approved for 8 more mutations!

# Consider pharmacogenomic testing if...



It can help avoid a severe  
adverse reaction

# Consequence of ADR?



Depression  
(Tetrabenazine)



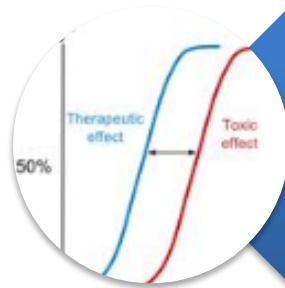
Myopathy  
(Simvastatin)



Liver failure/death  
(Valproic Acid)

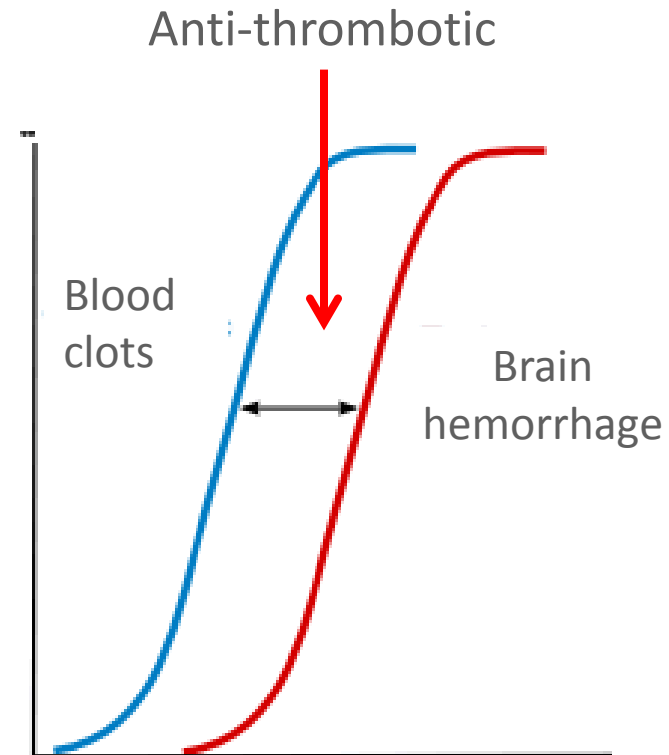
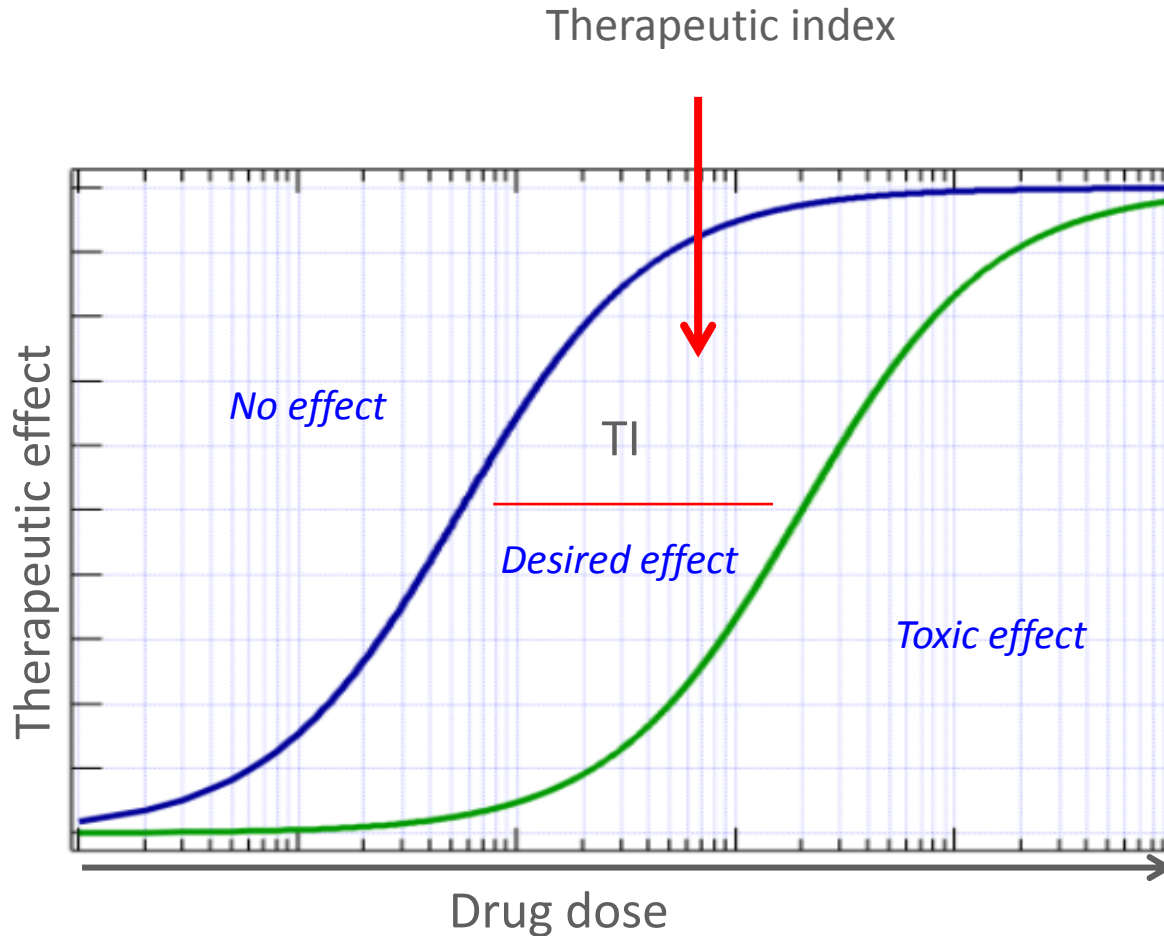
Stevens-Johnson's syndrome  
Myelosuppression  
Toxic epidermic necrolysis  
long QT syndrome

# Consider pharmacogenomic testing...



It can help dose a drug with a narrow therapeutic index

# Correction for multiple testing



Pharmacogenomics may help with dosing

# Are alternative therapies available?

## ○ Clopidogrel vs ticagrelor

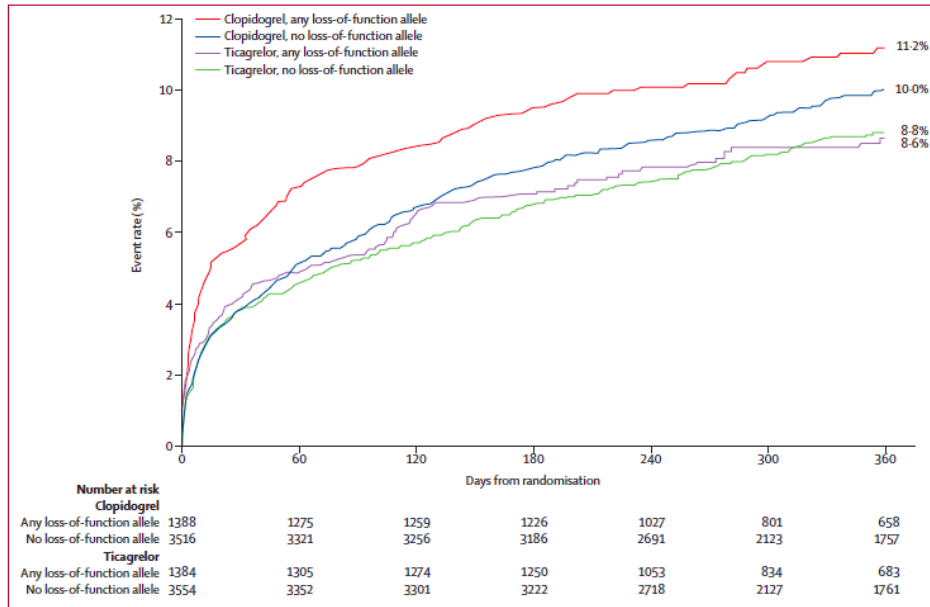
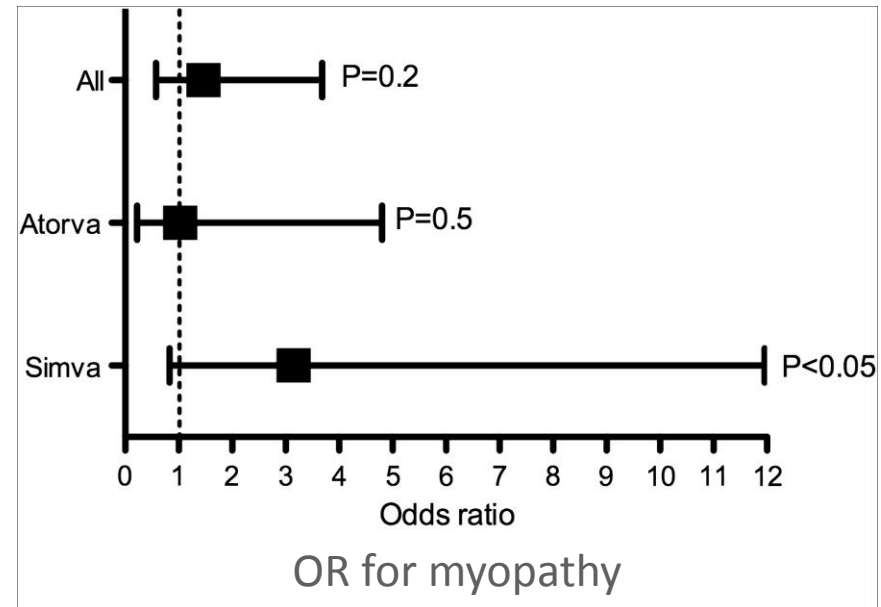


Figure 1: Kaplan-Meier estimates of events of the primary efficacy outcome in relation to the CYP2C19 genotype

Wallentin L et al. *Lancet* 2010; 376 (9749): 1320-1328.

## ○ Simvastatin vs atorvastatin



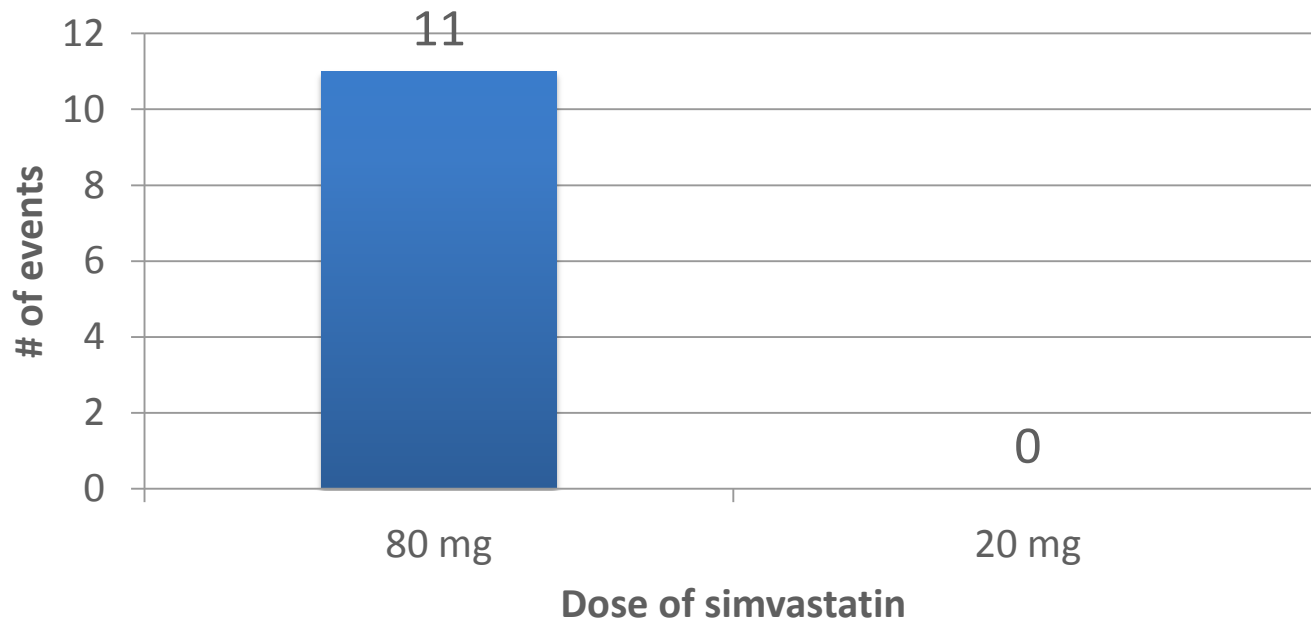
Brunham L, et al *Pharmacogenomics J* 2012; 12:233-237.

Consider using alternative therapy



# Is the ADR dose-dependent?

Rhabdomyolysis among ~6000 patients taking simvastatin in the SEARCH trial



Conservative dosing may mitigate risk of ADR

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## Aims and Scope

PLOS Currents: Evidence on Genomic Tests is an Open Access publication channel for the rapid communication of summaries of available data on genetic tests and other health-related applications of genomic research.

Genetic tests are increasingly available but information on their validity and utility is often fragmented and difficult to access, publications at PLOS Currents: Evidence on Genomic Tests aim to make those information readily available and highlight important gaps in knowledge.

## Eight non-cancer\* PGx reviews available

clopidogrel  
warfarin  
thiopurines  
abacavir

interferon-alpha  
simvastatin  
tamoxifen  
statins

\*Non-tumor-based

- CLINICAL SCENARIO
- TEST DESCRIPTION
- PUBLIC HEALTH IMPORTANCE
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- EVIDENCE OVERVIEW
  - Analytic validity
  - Clinical validity
  - Clinical utility

# PLoS Currents example: HLA-B\*5701 testing for abacavir hypersensitivity

**Clinical Validity** : Test accuracy and reliability in predicting abacavir hypersensitivity (predictive value).

- The prevalence of the *HLA-B\*5701* allele is highest in Caucasian populations (5-8%) [3][18][19][20]. In African-American, Asian, and Hispanic populations, the prevalence is 0.26-3.6% [19][20][21][22]. In a review of the adult and adolescent antiretroviral guidelines and the abacavir prescribing information [12][16], the prevalence of the *HLA-B\*5701* allele between ethnic populations has no impact on clinical recommendations.
- In studies conducted in North America, Europe, and Australia where patients were diagnosed with an abacavir hypersensitivity reaction based on symptom presentation, *HLA-B\*5701* test sensitivity was 46-78% [22][23][24]. In contrast, *HLA-B\*5701* test sensitivity was 94-100% in patients with an immunologically confirmed (via skin patch testing) abacavir hypersensitivity reaction [25][26][27]. There is suggestion that the discrepancy of lower estimates of test sensitivity was the inclusion of non-abacavir related hypersensitivity reactions [28].
- *HLA-B\*5701* test specificity, regardless of whether the abacavir hypersensitivity reaction is based on symptom presentation or immunologic confirmation, is 90-100% [22][23][24][25][26][27].
- Pooled data from 3 study populations reported a positive predictive value and negative predictive value of 82% (95% Confidence Interval [CI] 71-90%) and 85% (95% CI 81-88%), respectively [22][23][24].
- A report by Hughes et al. suggested a "high genetic penetrance of *HLA-B\*5701* in predisposing [patients] to abacavir hypersensitivity" [24].

# Professional guidelines, literature



GAPP Knowledge Base (version 1.0)

An integrated, searchable knowledge base of genomic applications in practice and prevention (GAPP).

GAPP KB > Evidence Aggregator

Last data update: Jan-23-2014. (Total 118 Records)

## Evidence Aggregator

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Search  for

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Search Results (Found a total of **41 evidence Summaries** )

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# Evaluating PPV and NPV

	HLA-B*5801 – Allopurinol – related SCAR	IFNL3 – PegIFN $\alpha$ efficacy
Incidence	0.4% (ADR)	50% (efficacy)
PPV	2.6%	90.7%
NPV	100%	58.8%

Rare outcomes can never lead to high PPV, no matter how good the sensitivity/specificity of the test

## Rule out ADR

- 100% of SCAR patients have \*5801
- 20% of pop. carries \*5801, most will not have SCAR

## Identify likely responders

- Variant – high likelihood of responding
- improved adherence to drug?

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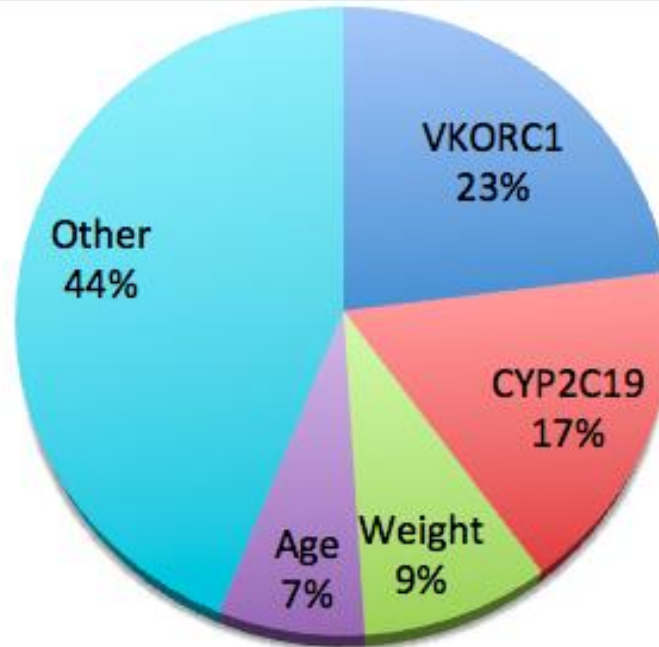
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# Factors affecting inter-individual variability in drug response

## Factors affecting Warfarin dosing

- Genetics
- Sex
- Age
- Race
- Concomitant drugs
- Underlying disease



## iWarfarin App



Consider other ways to measure a patient's response

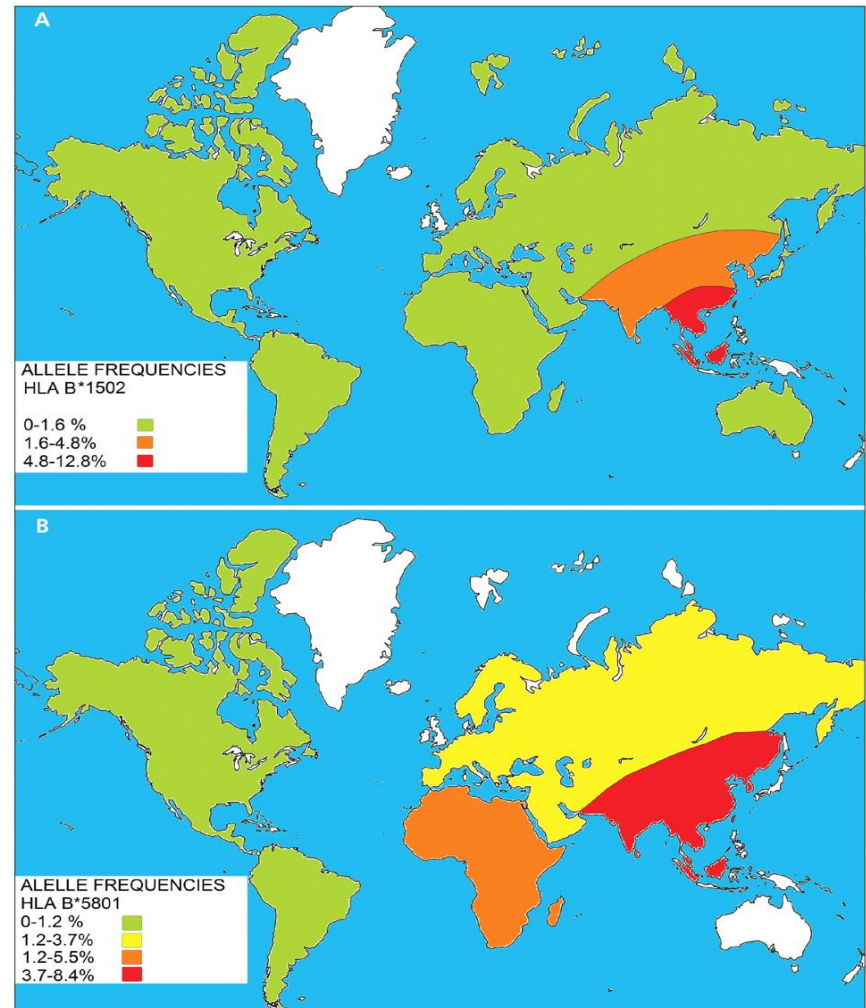
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# Is test appropriate in patient's ethnic group?

Approximate prevalence of the human leukocyte antigen (HLA) alleles HLA-B\*1502 (Carbamazepine) and HLA-B\*5801 (Allopurinol) in various geographic regions of the world.



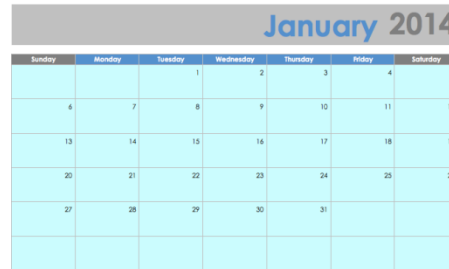
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# Other practical considerations

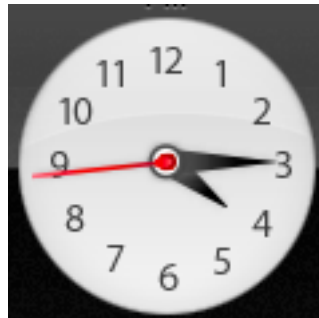
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# Turn-around time

Standard



Point of care



Pre-emptive



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# Medicare coverage decisions

In order to be eligible, all services must be medically necessary and otherwise defined in the member's benefits contract

- TPMT for treatment of IBD with thiopurines — yes
- VKORC1 and CYP2C9 for Warfarin treatment — NO

# Insurance coverage (U.S.)

- Many private insurance companies follow Medicare decisions

Drug	Gene	Aetna	Indep BCBS	Cigna	Humana
Clopidogrel	CYP2C19	Yes	Yes	No	No
Warfarin	CYP2C9/VKORC1	No	No	No	No
Thiopurines	TPMT	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Abacavir	HLA-B	Yes	-	Yes	Yes
Carbamazepine	HLA-B	Yes	-	-	Yes

Coverage policies for pharmacogenomic tests by insurer  
(Aug 2012)



# Question

Pharmacogenomic tests are most appropriate for drugs with:

- A. a wide therapeutic index
- B. dose-dependent ADRs
- C. genotype-dependent efficacy

# Answer

C. genotype-dependent efficacy

narrow

A. a ~~wide~~ therapeutic index

independent

B. dose ~~dependent~~ ADRs