

Clinical Background

Cancers have long been categorized and treated based on the anatomic site of origin of the cancer, e.g., lung, breast, colon, skin, etc. Increasingly, oncologists and pathologists are also focusing on the genomic alterations, in the genes that drive a cancer.

As we understand more about these underlying DNA alterations, cancer may be treated with targeted therapies that are designed to be specific to those changes in a patient's tumour with the hope that they may be less toxic and more effective than traditional cytotoxic treatments.

Methods

FoundationOne®CDx is a comprehensive[†] Genomic Profile that applies next-generation sequencing to identify 4 classes of mutations across all genes known to be drivers of solid tumours (Table 1) as well as genomic signatures including tumour mutational burden (TMB) and microsatellite instability (MSI). The test simultaneously sequences the coding region of

324 cancer-related genes often rearranged or altered in cancer to a typical median depth of coverage of greater than 500X. Each covered read represents a unique DNA fragment to enable the highly sensitive and specific detection of genomic alterations that occur at low frequencies due to tumour heterogeneity, low tumour purity and small tissue samples. FoundationOne CDx detects 4 classes of genomic alterations, including base substitutions, insertions and deletions (indels), copy number alterations (CNAs) and rearrangements using a small, routine FFPE sample (including core or fine needle biopsies).¹

Reporting

Clinically relevant genomic alterations are associated with either a therapy that is currently marketed in the US, or a mechanism-driven clinical trial.¹ If a clinically relevant alteration is found in any one of the genes on the current gene list, the report will identify the gene and alteration and will provide an interpretation that is specific to the patient's tumour.

The genes listed on the front page of the report are found to have one or more clinically relevant alterations. All other genes are not found to have any clinically relevant alterations. In some cases, pertinent negatives are displayed on the front of the report; these are genes that have no alterations but are particularly relevant for the specific tumour type (e.g., KRAS in colon cancer, EGFR in lung cancer). The complete list of genes that are tested appears in the "Current Gene List" table on page 2, in the appendix of each FoundationOne CDx report.

Variants of Unknown Significance (VUS)

* The analytic validation of FoundationOne CDx, based on a prior version of the assay (236 genes, 19 select rearrangements) was published in Nature Biotechnology¹ and established the performance specifications required to deliver the high level of accuracy routinely obtained for 4 classes of genomic alteration by FoundationOne CDx.

1. Frampton *et al.* Development and validation of a clinical cancer genomic profiling test based on massively parallel DNA sequencing. *Nature Biotech* 2013 Nov.

2. Based on analysis of coverage and re-arrangement structure in the COSMIC database for solid tumour fusion genes where alteration prevalence could be established, complemented by detection of exemplar rearrangements in cell line titration experiments.

3. Based on ALK re-arrangement concordance analysis vs. a standard clinical FISH assay.

4. Current as of Dec 12, 2017.

[†] Comprehensive Genomic Profiling with FoundationOne CDx involves:

- Next generation sequencing of the 324 cancer-related genes known to be clinically relevant to solid tumours
- Uniform coverage across the entire coding sequence of each gene plus select introns from 36 genes frequently rearranged in cancer
- Use of hybrid-capture technology to identify base substitutions, insertions/deletions, copy number alterations and rearrangements

Table 1

Technical Information	Base Substitutions ¹	Indels ¹	Copy Number Alterations ¹	Rearrangements
Sensitivity	>99% MAF* ≥5%	>97% MAF* ≥10%	>95% CN ≥8 or 0 ≥30% tumour nuclei	≥90% ² >99% for ALK fusion ³ ≥20% tumour nuclei
Specificity (PPV ^{**})	>99%	>99%	>99%	>99%
Typical Median depth of coverage (each covered read is of a unique DNA fragment to enable detection of alterations at low frequency)	500 ¹			
Sample requirements	≥40 µm tissue, of which a minimum of 20% is of malignant origin, on 8 to 10 unstained slides or in an FFPE block. Needle biopsy is also acceptable.			
Turn-around time	14 day average ^{***}			

* Mutant Allele Frequency as defined in Frampton *et al.*

** Positive Predictive Value as defined in Frampton *et al.*

*** As measured from the date the Foundation Medicine laboratory receives a sample that meets requirements.

Often an alteration is detected in one of the genes included on FoundationOne CDx, but that specific alteration has not yet been adequately characterized in the scientific literature. We include these variants in the report so that they may be acted upon in the future should clinical evidence emerge.

Equivocal

Designation signifies when there is some, but not unambiguous, evidence of amplification or homozygous loss of a gene.

Subclonal

Designation signifies that the FoundationOne CDx analytical methodology has identified the presence of the alteration in less than 10% of the estimated tumour DNA.

FoundationOne CDx Includes Genes That Are Commonly Tested for in All Solid Tumours

FoundationOne CDx is a comprehensive[†] and fully informative genomic profiling service that can reveal 4 classes of actionable alterations, including those in cancer-driving genes that are rarely or never tested for in solid tumours. The FoundationOne CDx report may reveal alterations that lead to additional treatment options for physicians and their patients to consider.¹

Note: The data presented above refers to the version of the FoundationOne Panel studied in Frampton *et al.*

Current Gene List⁴ (as at October 2018)

FoundationOne CDx identifies 4 classes of alterations in each of the genes listed below¹ and now also reports Tumour Mutational Burden (TMB) measurements and Microsatellite Instability (MSI) status.

As a pan-cancer test, FoundationOne CDx is designed to interrogate the entire coding sequence of 324 cancer-related genes often rearranged or altered in cancer. These genes are known to be somatically altered in solid cancers based on recent scientific and clinical literature.

Genes with full coding exonic regions: For detection of substitutions, insertion-deletions and copy-number alterations

ABL1	ACVR1B	AKT1	AKT2	AKT3	ALK	ALOX12B	AMER1 (FAM123B)	APC
AR	ARAF	ARFRP1	ARID1A	ASXL1	ATM	ATR	ATRX	AURKA
AURKB	AXIN1	AXL	BAP1	BARD1	BCL2	BCL2L1	BCL2L2	BCL6
BCOR	BCORL1	BRAF	BRCA1	BRCA2	BRD4	BRIPI	BTG1	BTG2
BTK	C11orf30 (EMSY)	CALR	CARD11	CASP8	CBFB	CBL	CCND1	CCND2
CCND3	CCNE1	CD22	CD274 (PD-L1)	CD70	CD79A	CD79B	CDC73	CDH1
CDK12	CDK4	CDK6	CDK8	CDKN1A	CDKN1B	CDKN2A	CDKN2B	CDKN2C
CEBPA	CHEK1	CHEK2	CIC	CREBBP	CRKL	CSF1R	CSF3R	CTCF
CTNNA1	CTNNB1	CUL3	CUL4A	CXCR4	CYP17A1	DAXX	DDR1	DDR2
DIS3	DNMT3A	DOT1L	EED	EGFR	EP300	EPHA3	EPHB1	EPHB4
ERBB2	ERBB3	ERBB4	ERCC4	ERG	ERRFI1	ESR1	EZH2	FAM46C
FANCA	FANCC	FANCG	FANCL	FAS	FBXW7	FGF10	FGF12	FGF14
FGF19	FGF23	FGF3	FGF4	FGF6	FGFR1	FGFR2	FGFR3	FGFR4
FH	FLCN	FLT1	FLT3	FOXL2	FUBP1	GABRA6	GATA3	GATA4
GATA6	GID4 (C17orf39)	GNAI1	GNAI3	GNAQ	GNAS	GRM3	GSK3B	H3F3A
HDAC1	HGF	HNF1A	HRAS	HSD3B1	ID3	IDH1	IDH2	IGF1R
IKBKE	IKZF1	INPP4B	IRF2	IRF4	IRS2	JAK1	JAK2	JAK3
JUN	KDM5A	KDM5C	KDM6A	KDR	KEAP1	KEL	KIT	KLHL6
KMT2A (MLL)	KMT2D (MLL2)	KRAS	LTK	LYN	MAF	MAP2K1 (MEK1)	MAP2K2 (MEK2)	MAP2K4
MAP3K1	MAP3K13	MAPK1	MCL1	MDM2	MDM4	MED12	MEF2B	MEN1
MERTK	MET	MITF	MKNK1	MLH1	MPL	MRE11A	MSH2	MSH3
MSH6	MST1R	MTAP	MTOR	MUTYH	MYC	MYCL (MYCL1)	MYCN	MYD88
NBN	NF1	NF2	NFE2L2	NFKBIA	NKX2-1	NOTCH1	NOTCH2	NOTCH3
NPM1	NRAS	NT5C2	NTRK1	NTRK2	NTRK3	P2RY8	PALB2	PARK2
PARP1	PARP2	PARP3	PAX5	PBRM1	PDCCD1 (PD-1)	PDCCD1G2 (PD-L2)	PDGFRA	PDGFRB
PDK1	PIK3C2B	PIK3C2G	PIK3CA	PIK3CB	PIK3R1	PIM1	PMS2	POLD1
POLE	PPARG	PPP2R1A	PPP2R2A	PRDM1	PRKAR1A	PRKCI	PTCH1	PTEN
PTPN11	PTPRO	QKI	RAC1	RAD21	RAD51	RAD51B	RAD51C	RAD51D
RAD52	RAD54L	RAF1	RARA	RB1	RBM10	REL	RET	RICTOR
RNF43	ROS1	RPTOR	SDHA	SDHB	SDHC	SDHD	SETD2	SF3B1
SGK1	SMAD2	SMAD4	SMARCA4	SMARCB1	SMO	SNCAIP	SOCS1	SOX2
SOX9	SPEN	SPOP	SRC	STAG2	STAT3	STK11	SUFU	SYK
TBX3	TEK	TET2	TGFBR2	TIPARP	TNFAIP3	TNFRSF14	TP53	TSC1
TSC2	TYRO3	U2AF1	VEGFA	VHL	WHSC1 (MMSET)	WHSC1L1	WT1	XPO1
XRCC2	ZNF217	ZNF703						

⁴Compared to the FoundationOne CDx gene list.

Select rearrangements: Genes from select intronic regions for the detection of gene rearrangements

ALK	BCL2	BCR	BRAF	BRCA1	BRCA2	CD74	EGFR	ETV4
ETV5	ETV6	EWSR1	EZR	FGFR1	FGFR2	FGFR3	KIT	KM2A (MLL)
MSH2	MYB	MYC	NOTCH2	NTRK1	NTRK2	NUTM1	PDGFRA	RAF1
RARA	RET	ROS1	RSP02	SDC4	SLC34A2	TERC*	TERT (promoter only) [†]	
TMPRSS2								

*TERC is a non-coding RNA gene. [†]TERT is a gene with a promoter region.

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