# From Academia to Community Care: Lessons Learned and Considerations for Delivering Excellent Care

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# **Academia Versus Private Practice**

#### **ACADEMIA**

- Properties
  - Focus on discovery / development of new technologies; education of trainees
  - Key question what is the best next standard of care?
- Strengths
  - Name recognition
  - Consolidated care
  - Experts / key opinion leaders in many fields
- Weaknesses
  - Limitations on collaboration with industry
    - Often favor "home grown" products or investigator initiated trials which are not necessarily better
  - Intra and inter institutional collaboration can be limited
    - Operationalizing technologies can be limited
    - Bureaucracy, egos, competing interests
  - Episodic care can pose a challenge for care continuity

#### **PRIVATE**

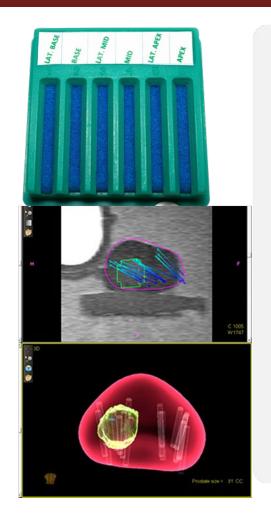
- Properties
  - Focus on patient care and implementation of proven technologies
  - Key question how do I provide the best care for my patients?
- Strengths
  - Focus on the patient and efficiency
    - Operationalization of technologies more streamlined
  - Industry collaboration
    - More freedom to implement what the group deems the best product / technology
  - Easier access to care / care continuity
- Weaknesses
  - Limited guidance on finding the best MDs / practices and higher variance between practices and within practices
  - Multi-disciplinary care / facilities often not under one roof
  - More limited access to emerging or unproven, but promising, technologies
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# Operationalizing a Premiere Prostate Cancer Practice in the Community Setting

- Requires capitalizing on the strengths of private practice
- Protocols and technologies implemented to routinely augment diagnosis and treatment
- Few anecdotes for today
  - Digital pathology with spatial orientation
  - Protocol driven IHC and molecular testing
  - Clinical trial matching



### **Digital Pathology with Spatial Orientation -- Lumea**

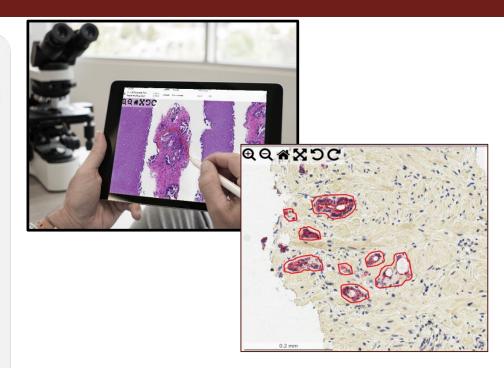


#### **BxChip**

The BxChip is an artificially-engineered tissue array that holds up to 6 needle-core biopsies to be processed in a single block.



- 73% decrease in laboratory time (grossing, embedding, sectioning)
- > 13% increase in tissue length
- > 37% decrease in pathology diagnostic time
- > Standardizes tissue handling for AI development

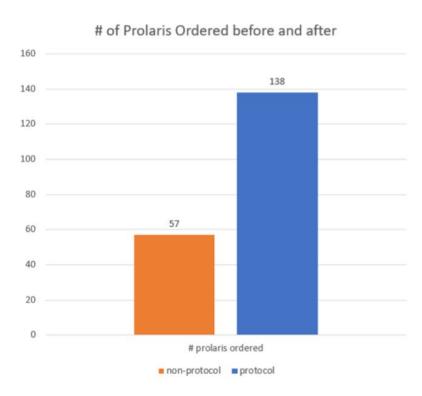


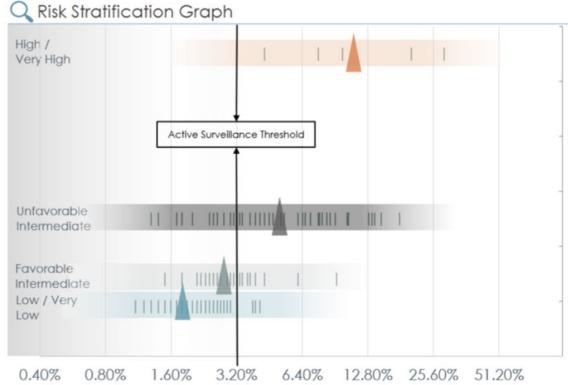
- Simplified diagnostic process circle and grade cancerous lesions
- Digital diagnostic review and reporting across multiple digital platforms (beta testing AI on H+E)
- Al assisted diagnosis: tissue detection, diagnostic calculations and report generation



## **Protocol Driven Molecular Testing (GG1-2)**

# Protocol Impact- Increased Utilization of Prolaris, Leading to Improved Risk Stratification







#### **Clinical Trial Matching -- TEMPUS**

#### **GENOMIC VARIANTS**

**Somatic - Potentially Actionable** 

Variant Allele Fraction

→ РІКЗСА

p.G118D Splice region variant (exon 3) - GOF

16.3% -



PTEN

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#### CLINICAL TRIALS

ARQ 751 as a Single Agent or in Combination With Other Anti-Cancer Agents, in Solid Tumors With PIK3CA / AKT / PTEN Mutations (NCT02761694)

Phase I

Oklahoma City, OK - 171 mi

✓ PIK3CA mutation

✓ PTEN deletion

To Evaluate the Safety, Tolerability, and Pharmacokinetics of GDC-0077 Single Agent in Participants With Solid Tumors and in Combination With Endocrine and Targeted Therapies in Participants With Breast Cancer (NCT03006172)

Phase I

Nashville, TN - 609 mi

✓ PIK3CA mutation

Niraparib Plus Carboplatin in Patients With Homologous Recombination Deficient Advanced Solid Tumor Malignancies (NCT03209401)

Phase I

Washington, District of Columbia

- 1174 mi

√ ATRX mutation

✓ PTEN deletion

Study of the CDK4/6 Inhibitor Palbociclib (PD-0332991) in Combination With the PI3K/mTOR Inhibitor Gedatolisib (PF-05212384) for Patients With Advanced Squamous Cell Lung, Pancreatic, Head & Neck and Other Solid Tumors (NCT03065062)

Phase I

Boston, MA - 1539 mi

✓ PIK3CA mutation

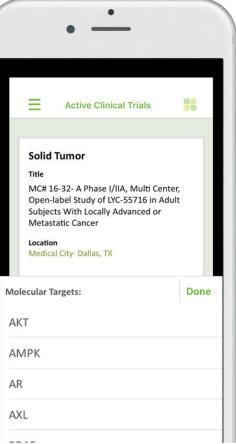


# **Clinical Trial Matching – Mary Crowley**

iPhone APP: A Referral Tool

- Search Clinical Trials by Disease Type or Molecular Target
- Speak Directly with our Research Coordinator within in the App
- Receive Instant Notifications of NEW Clinical Trial Openings









Thanks!
Questions?