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# Application of Genetics to support Personalised Medicine



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# Overview

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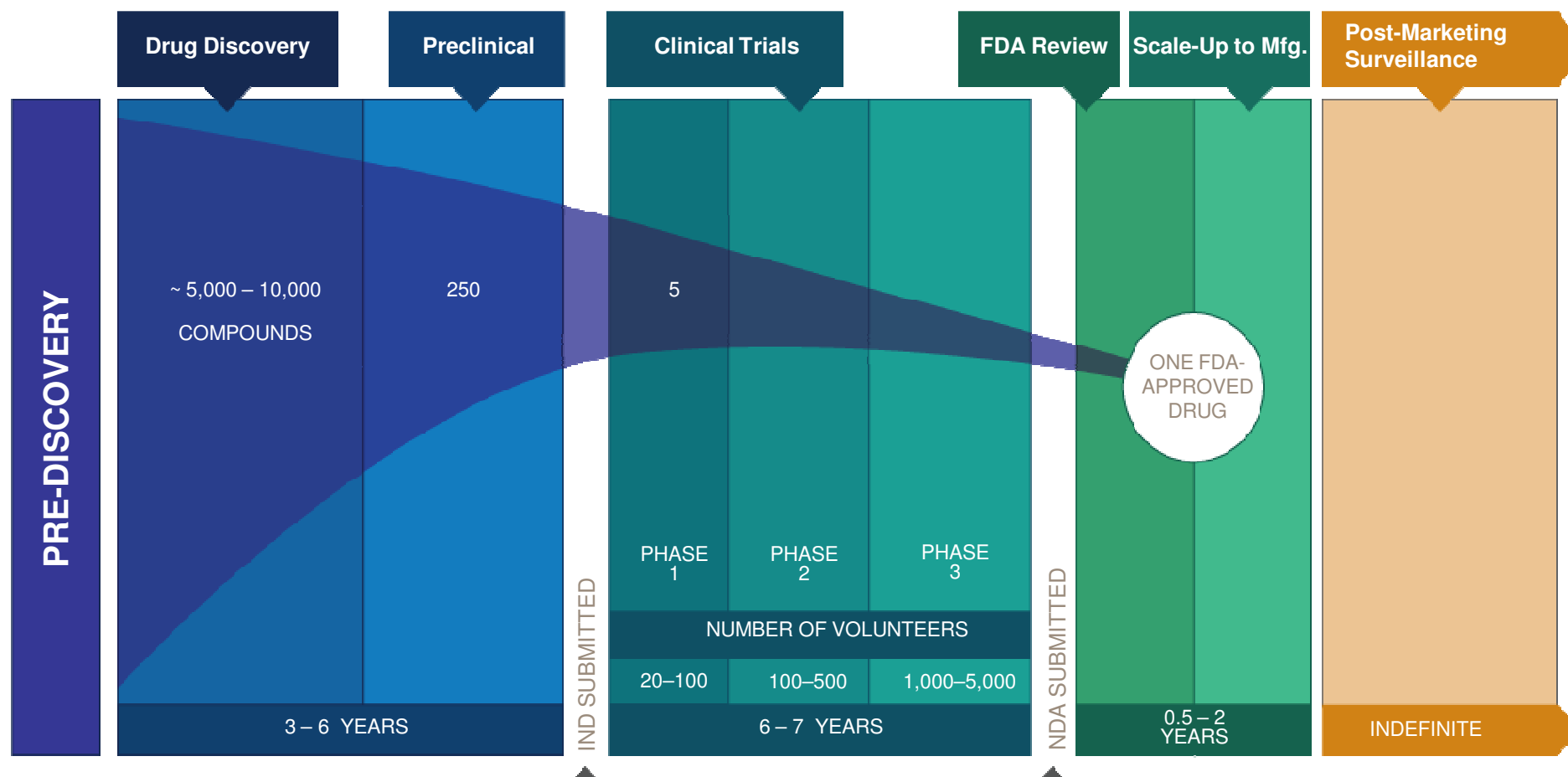


- **Human genetics in the drug lifecycle**
  - **Pharmacogenetic examples**
    - **Efficacy: clopidogrel and CYP2C19**
    - **Safety: lapatinib and HLA-DRB1\*07:01**
  - **Clinical translation of pharmacogenetics**
  - **Challenges and opportunities**
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# Drug Discovery & Development



Developing a new medicine takes an average of 10–15 years  
Relatively few drugs survive the clinical trial process



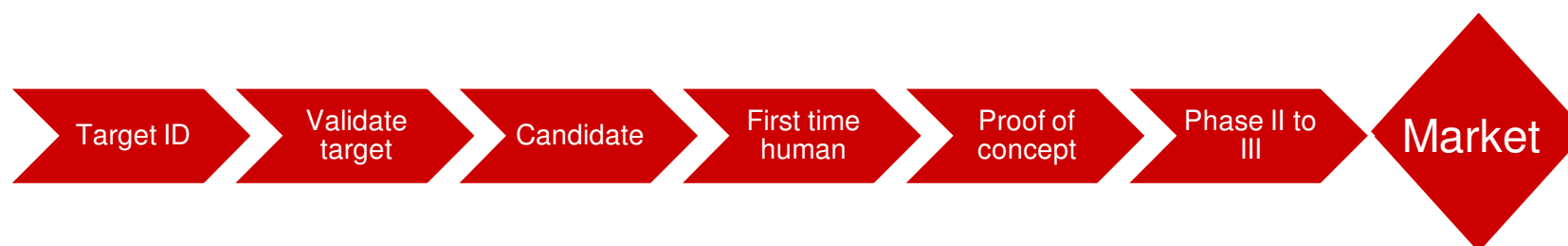
Sources: Drug Discovery and Development: Understanding the R&D Process, [www.innovation.org](http://www.innovation.org); CBO, *Research and Development in the Pharmaceutical Industry*, 2006.

# Human genetics opportunities for differentiation in drug discovery and development

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## Drug Discovery & Development



**New targets**

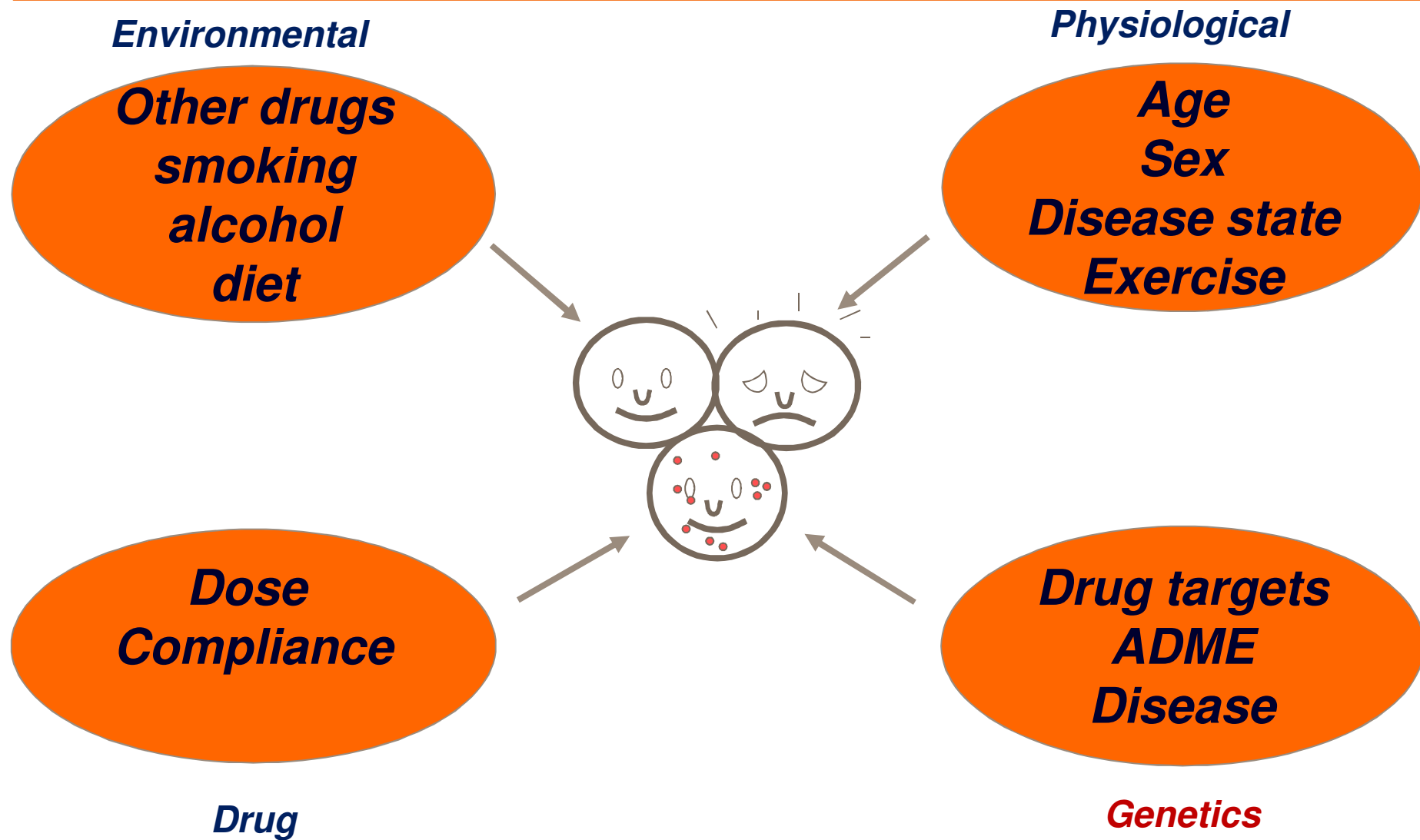
**ADME**

**Safety**

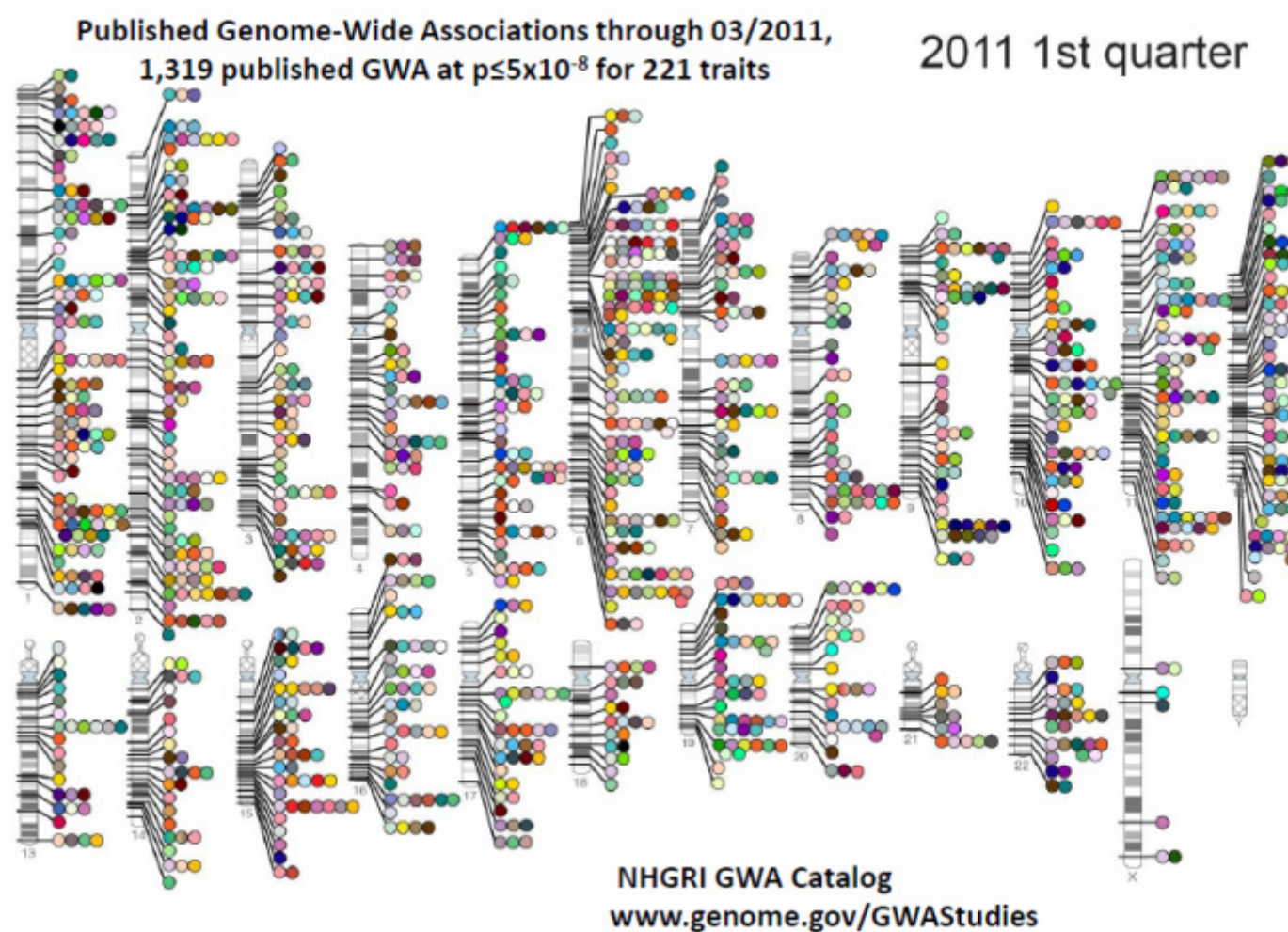
**Efficacy**

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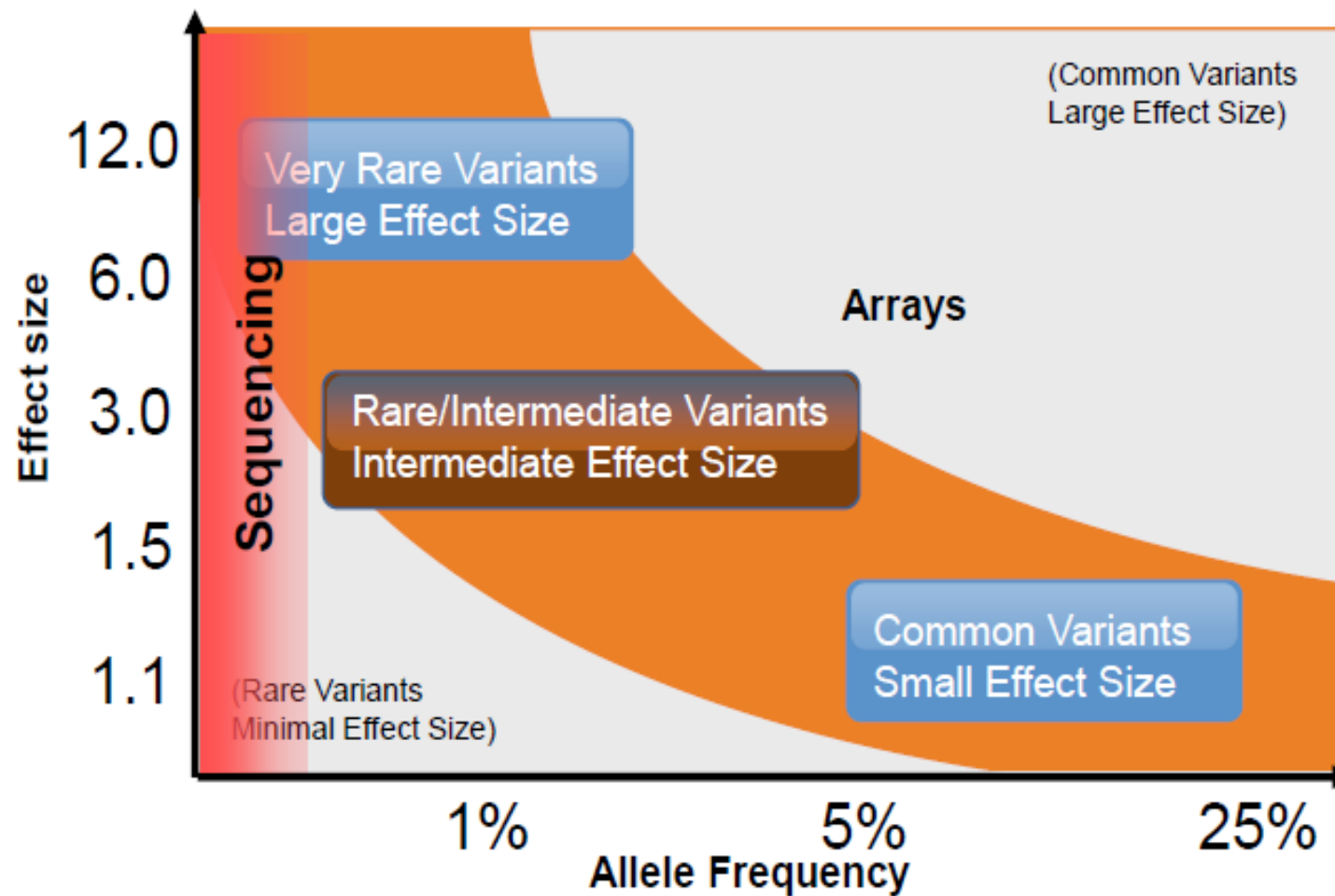
# Many factors influence drug response



# Genome-Wide Association Study of disease susceptibility



# Genotyping landscape

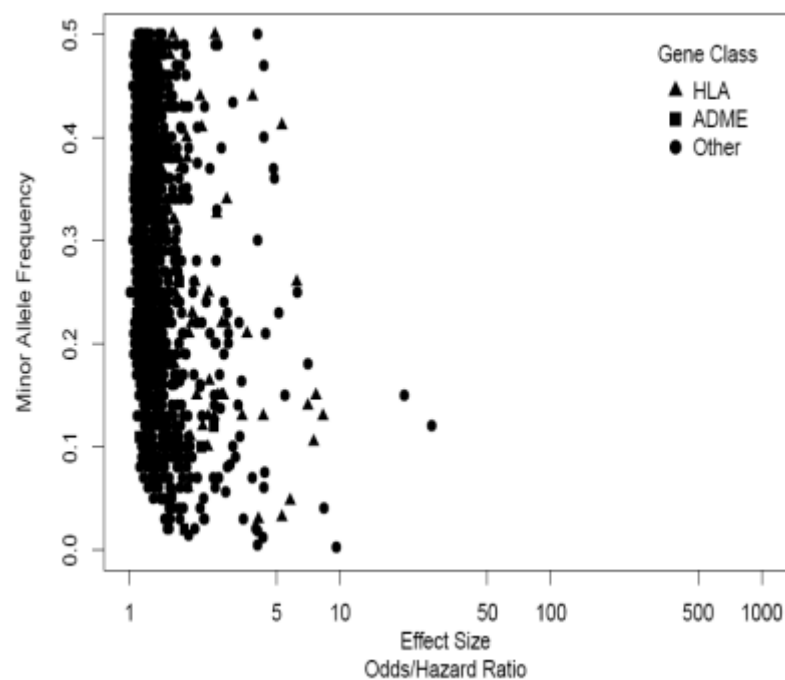




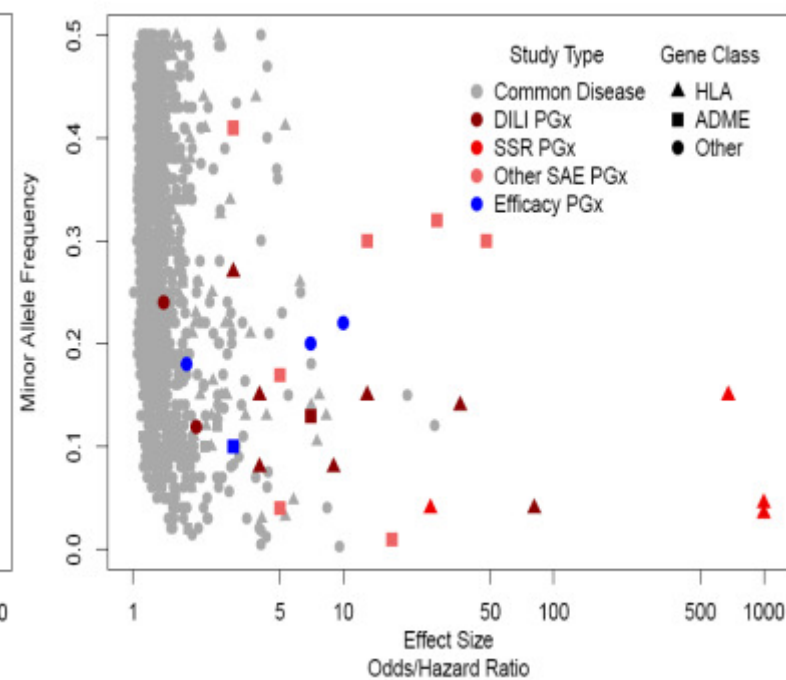
# Pharmacogenetic effects tend to be large



Disease-related associations in  
NHGRI GWAS Catalog



Pharmacogenetic effects



From <http://www.genome.gov/gwastudies>

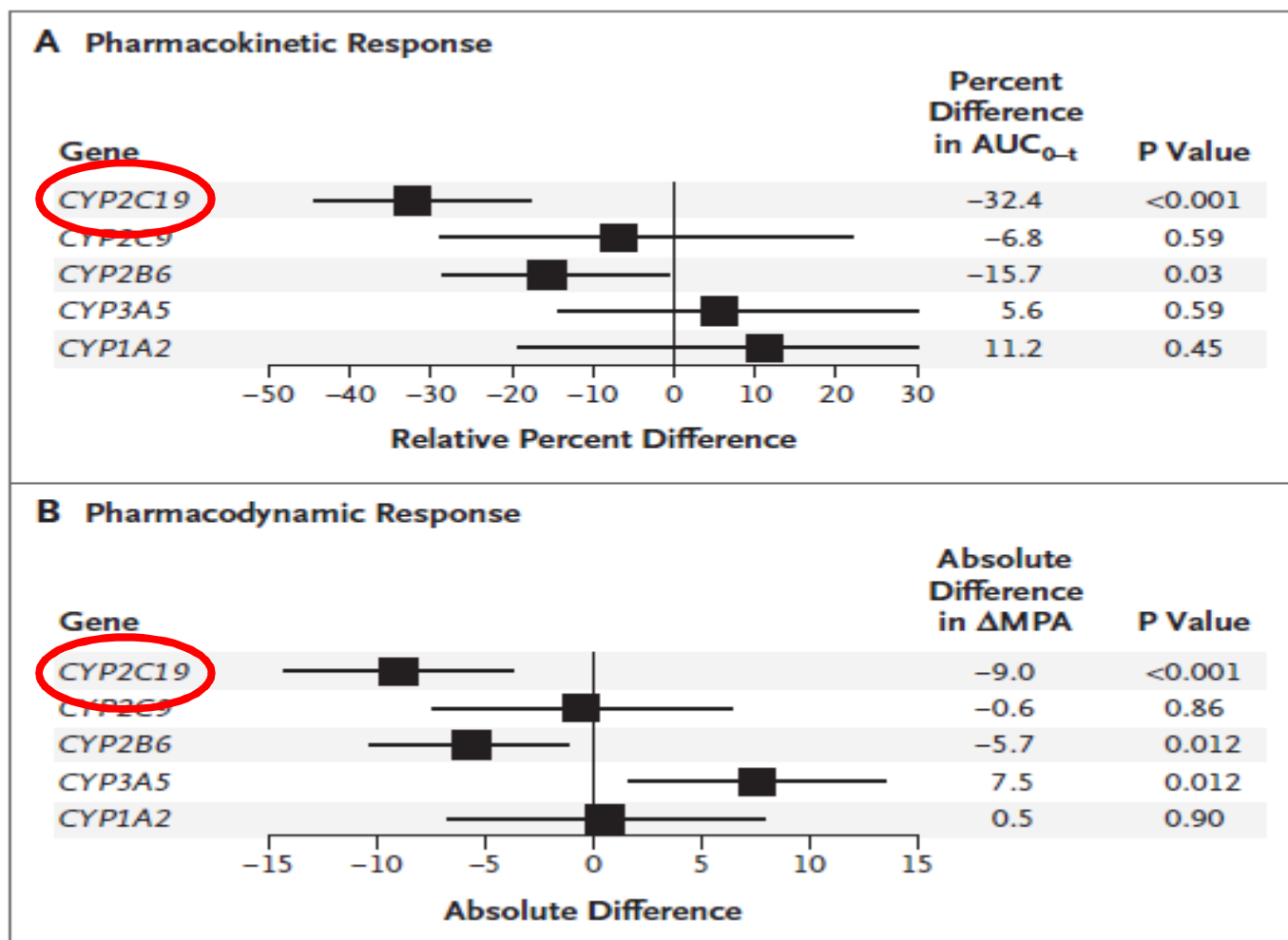
# Efficacy: Clopidogrel and *CYP2C19* variation

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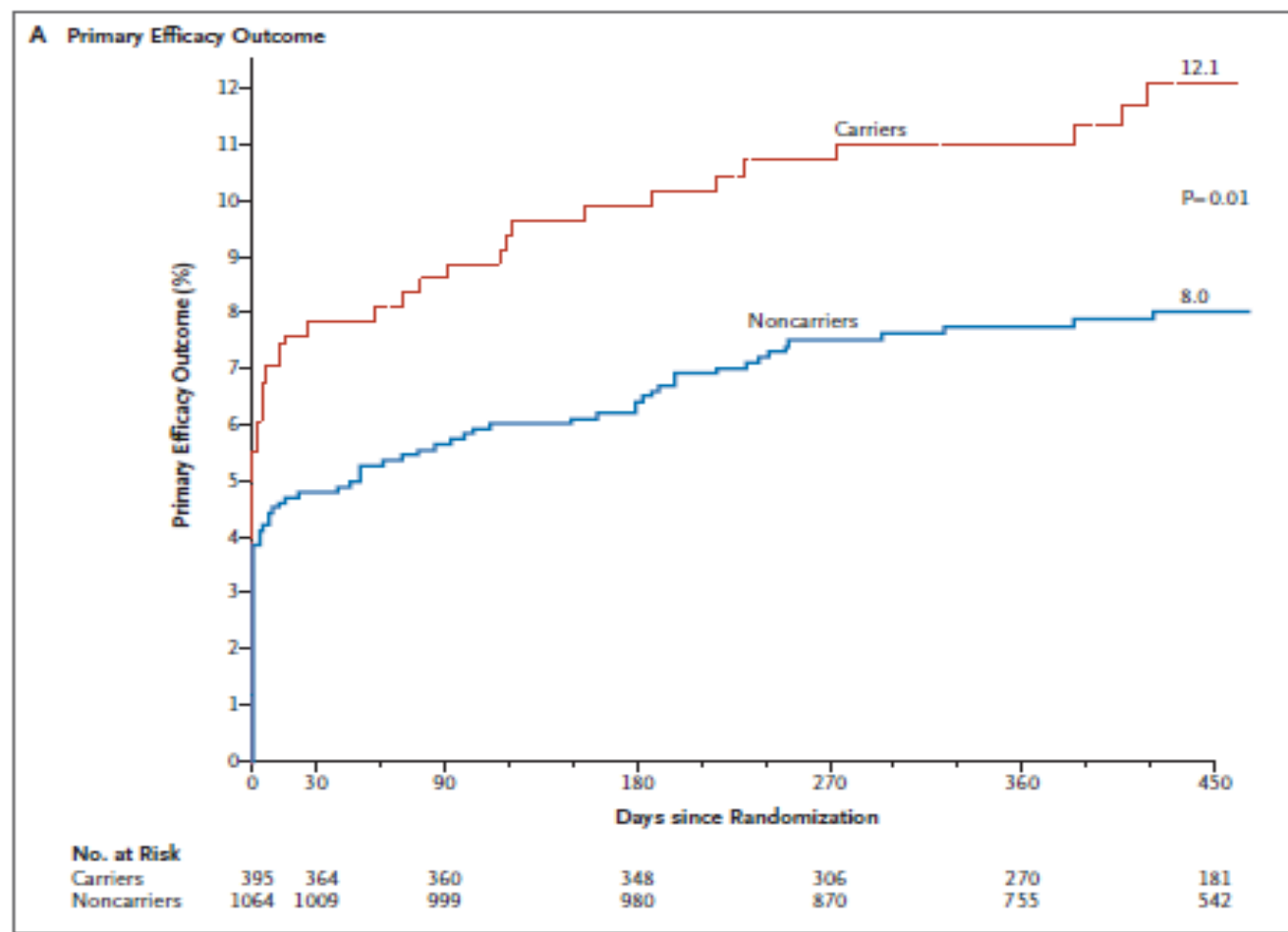


- Clopidogrel is a P2Y<sub>12</sub> antagonist anti-thrombotic
  - Alternative to warfarin for thrombosis prevention in patients with coronary syndromes
  - Clopidogrel is a prodrug, activated by *CYP2C19*
  - *CYP2C19* has common loss of function variants
    - *CYP2C19*\*2
    - 25% Whites, 30% African Americans, 50% Asians
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# CYP Loss of Function variants and clopidogrel pharmacokinetics & pharmacodynamics



# Effect of CYP LOF variants on clopidogrel efficacy (risk of death from CV causes)



Carriers have at least one copy of 2C19 LOF variant (30% of study population)

Mega, JL, et al (2009), *New England Journal of Medicine* 360: 354-362

# However.....

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- CYP2C19\*2 loss of function allele is associated with reduced generation of active metabolites of clopidogrel
- Meta-analyses have both supported or discounted the impact of genotype on adverse CV outcomes during clopidogrel therapy
- Evidence supports a differential genotype effect on protection from major adverse CV outcomes following percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI), but not for other clopidogrel indications

## PERSPECTIVES

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### **Clopidogrel: A Case for Indication-Specific Pharmacogenetics**

JA Johnson<sup>1</sup>, DM Roden<sup>2</sup>, LJ Lesko<sup>1</sup>, E Ashley<sup>3</sup>, TE Klein<sup>4</sup> and  
AR Shuldiner<sup>5</sup>

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**Clin Pharmac Ther (2012): 91; 774-776**

# HLA Influence on Adverse Drug Reaction Risk

## Selected Examples



| Drug           | Adverse Drug Reaction     |            | Genetic Risk Factor |      |           |
|----------------|---------------------------|------------|---------------------|------|-----------|
|                | Reaction                  | Prevalence | Risk Allele         | MAF  | Rel. Risk |
| Ximelagatran   | Hepatotoxicity            | 0.08       | <i>DRB1*07:01</i>   | 0.14 | 4         |
| Augmentin      | Hepatotoxicity            | <0.001     | <i>DRB1*15:01</i>   | 0.15 | 4         |
|                |                           | <0.001     | <i>A*02:01</i>      | 0.27 | 3         |
| Lapatinib      | Hepatotoxicity            | 0.03       | <i>DRB1*07:01</i>   | 0.14 | 14        |
| Lumiracoxib    | Hepatotoxicity            | 0.013      | <i>DRB1*15:01</i>   | 0.15 | 13        |
| Ticlopidine    | Hepatotoxicity            | <0.001     | <i>A*33:03</i>      | 0.14 | 36        |
| Flucloxacillin | Hepatotoxicity            | <0.001     | <i>B*57:01</i>      | 0.04 | 81        |
| Allopurinol    | SCAR                      | <0.001     | <i>B*58:01</i>      | 0.15 | 678       |
| Abacavir       | Hypersensitivity reaction | 0.05       | <i>B*57:01</i>      | 0.04 | >1000     |
| Carbamazepine  | SCAR - Taiwanese          | 0.003      | <i>B*15:02</i>      | 0.04 | >1000     |
|                | SCAR - European           | <0.001     | <i>A*31:01</i>      | 0.04 | 26        |

Frequency of the ADR is typically much lower than the frequency of the HLA allele associated with the ADR

## Clinical Utility: HLA biomarker characteristics

Abacavir (HIV), Allopurinol (hyperuricemia) and Carbamazepine (epilepsy)

HLA-mediated ADRs: Severe skin reactions – SJS, TEN, HSR

Clinical utility defined by:

- Predictive value (PPV & NPV)
- Number needed to test (NNT)

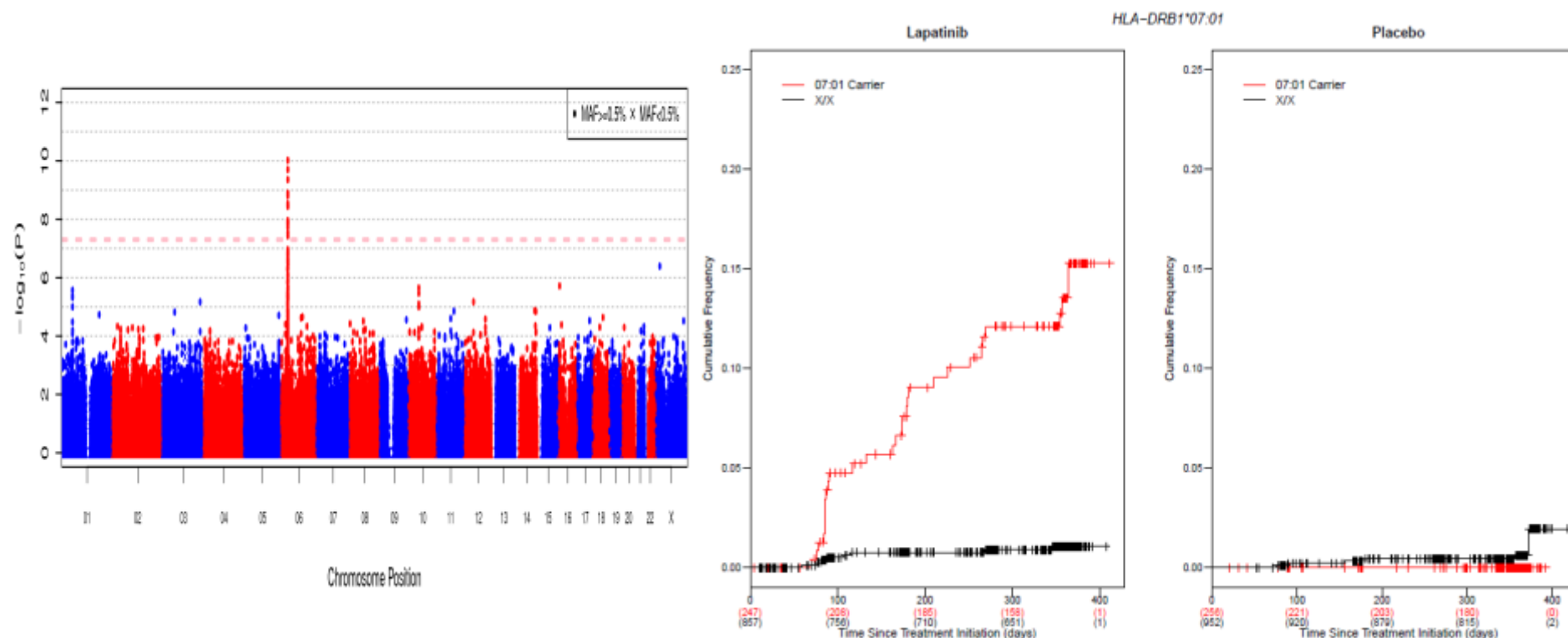
**Benefit/Risk considerations:**

- Life threatening – Yes/No
- Treatment options – Yes/No

| Drug          | HLA allele | Carrier rate  | Prevalence diagnosis | Approx NNT to prevent 1 case | PPV/NPV (%) |
|---------------|------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Abacavir      | B*5701     | 6-8% Cauc     | 8%                   | 13                           | 55/100      |
| Allopurinol   | B*5801     | 9-11% Han Ch  | 1-4 in 1000          | 250                          | 2.7/100     |
| Carbamazepine | B*1502     | 10-15% Han Ch | <1-6 in 1000         | 1000                         | 3.1/100     |

# Lapatinib induced liver toxicity

ALT elevations >3x ULN



| Drug      | HLA allele | Carrier rate           | Prevalence diagnosis | Approx NNT to prevent 1 case | PPV/NPV (%) |
|-----------|------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Lapatinib | DRB1*07:01 | 20% Cauc<br>(1% Japan) | 2%                   | 38                           | 8/99.8      |



## Clinical PGx translation success, in some areas.....

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- Somatic mutations & gene expression direct **cancer** treatment
  - Ph+, EGFR+, HER2+/-, KRASwt, BRAFmt,
- Heritable mutations provide mechanisms to diagnose & treat **Mendelian diseases** (e.g. CFTR G551D - Invacator)
- Viral/microbial genomes provide taxonomy & provide **pathogen resistance** profiles prospectively (e.g. HIV, HCV)

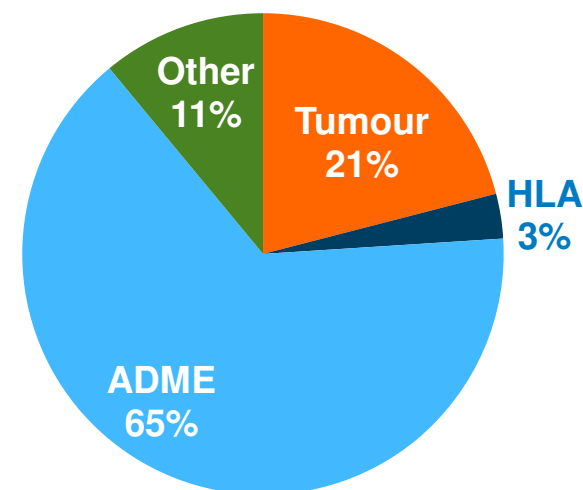
# Limited translation in others....



PGx biomarkers with Clinical Pharmacogenetics Implementation Consortium (CPIC) guidelines

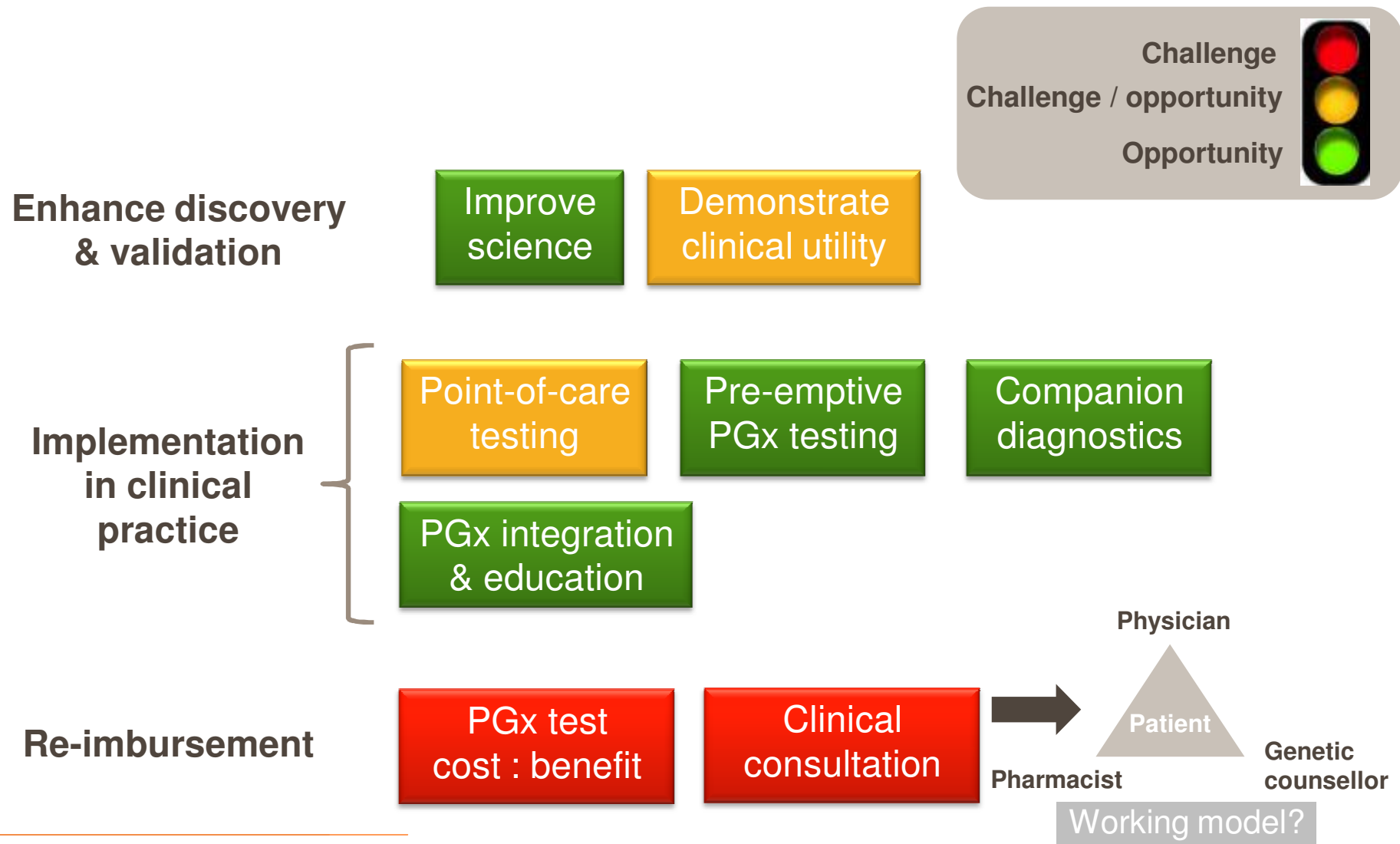
- Regulatory guidances are proactive & encouraging
- Drug exposure/PK PGx translation not reflected in the number of ADME labels

| Drug (s)                  | Gene(s)        | Issue           |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Thiopurines               | TPMT           | Safety          |
| Codeine                   | CYP2D6         | Safety          |
| Abacavir                  | HLA-B*57:01    | Safety          |
| Simvastatin               | SLCO1B1        | Safety          |
| Allopurinol               | HLA-B*58:01    | Safety          |
| Clopidogrel               | CYP2C19        | Efficacy/safety |
| Warfarin                  | VKORC1/CYP2C9  | Efficacy/safety |
| Tricyclic antidepressants | CYP2D6/CYP2C19 | Efficacy        |
| Peg-IFN $\alpha$          | IL28B          | Efficacy        |



Genomics in FDA drug labels (N=120)

# Challenges & Opportunities for PGx clinical translation



## PGx testing programs in academic medical centres – understanding the possibilities

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- **TPMT** genotyping for 6-mercaptopurine for acute lymphoblastoid leukemia - St Jude's Hospital
- **CYP2C19** genotyping for clopidigrel treatment of patients undergoing percutaneous coronary intervention – Scripps, Vanderbilt, Uni Florida
- **CYP2D6** genotyping to guide treatment for anti-psychotics and antidepressants – Mayo Clinic



# Conclusions

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- Genetics has the potential to influence clinical decision making - there are many challenges, but also opportunities
- Determining genetic biomarker performance characteristics is crucial for determining clinical utility
- Embedding PGx testing into clinical practice will require:
  - Solid science - supporting robust discovery & validation
  - Education, integration and improved logistics
  - Demonstration of cost-benefit (re-imbursable)
  - Change in clinical paradigm to support personalised medicine

