

**The Evolving Landscape for Precision Health and One Health:
New Opportunities in Human and Veterinary Medicine**

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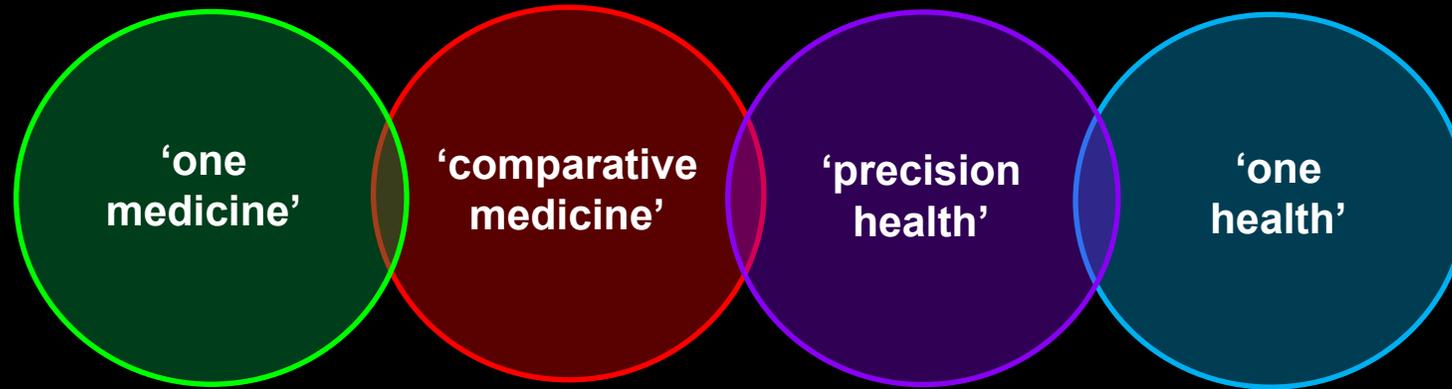


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Presentation Outline

- **the evolution of the relationships between human and veterinary medicine**
- **a new era of precision health**
 - **major opportunities for veterinary medicine from diffusion of new technologies from human medicine**
 - **imperative to reduce the unsustainable cost of high failure rates of new candidate human therapeutics in clinical trials**
 - **need for new animal models for preclinical testing of new human therapeutics that more accurately reflect the causal etiologies of the targeted human diseases**
 - **growing recognition of the appeal of many natural canine diseases as more predictive preclinical models of major human diseases**
- **one health**
 - **complex inter-dependencies of human and animal health and global ecosystems**
 - **an underinvested core component of global biosecurity**

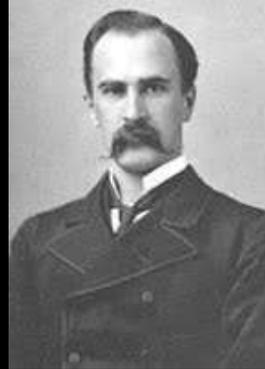
The Historical Evolution of Relationships Between Human and Veterinary Medicine (1850-present)



The One Medicine: One Health Concept A Long Intellectual Pedigree



Rudolf Virchow
introduction of term zoonosis:
T. spiralis
1850



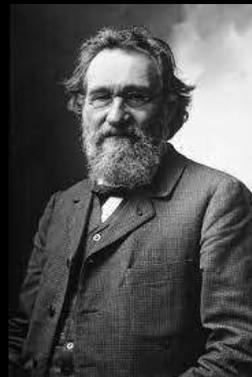
Sir William Osler
concepts in
comparative medicine
1870s



Robert Koch
anthrax, cholera, TB,
trypanosomiasis
1870-80s
Nobel Prize 1905



Sir Ronald Ross
anophelian mosquitos
and malaria transmission
1897
Nobel Prize



Elie Metchnikoff
comparative immunology
and host defense
1890s
Nobel Prize 1908



Paul Ehrlich
antimicrobial
chemotherapy
Nobel Prize
1908

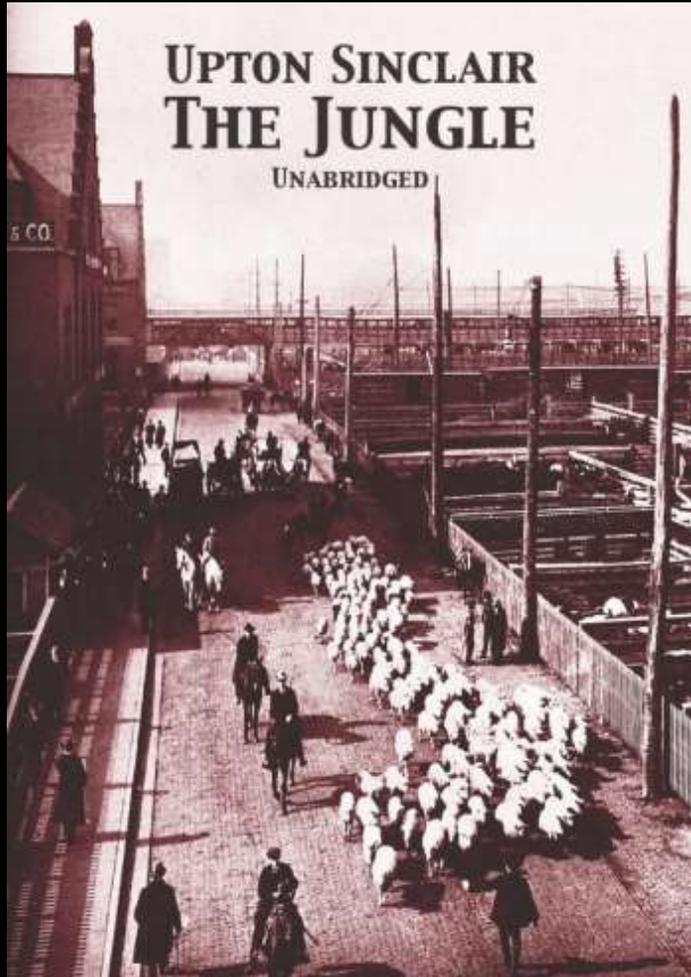
The Historical Evolution of Relationships Between Human and Veterinary Medicine

One Medicine: (1850-1920)

- identification of common mechanisms of disease pathophysiology between animal species and humans
- health of horses, oxen as vital transportation and agricultural resources and military campaign logistics



Reform of Food Safety in Early 20th Century

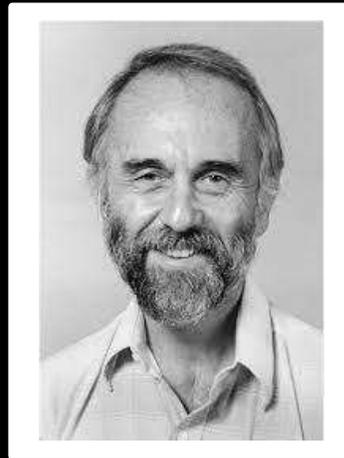


- food-borne illness as major cause of morbidity and mortality
- adverse economic impact on workforce needed to drive industrialized urbanization
- TB as dominant cause of reduced lifespan
- Food and Drugs Act (1906) and Meat Inspection Act (1906)
 - “prevent the manufacture; sale or transportation of adulterated or misbranded or poisonous or deleterious food drugs, medication and liquors”

The One Medicine: One Health Concept A Fluctuating Momentum



James Steele
Founder,
Veterinary Public
Health Division, CDC
(1947)



Calvin Schwabe
UC Davis School of
Veterinary Medicine
(1967)



**One Health
Initiative**
(2006)



Ronald M. Davis
AMA
One Health
Resolution
(2007)



Quadrupartite One Health Joint Plan of Action (2022-2026)



The Historical Evolution of Relationships Between Human and Veterinary Medicine

1910 Onwards: Progressive Uncoupling

- rise of the combustion engine and mechanized agriculture
 - closure of many Colleges of Veterinary Medicine and shift to focus on agriculture/food production and safety
- Flexner report on Medical Education (1910)
 - increased focus on basic sciences and laboratory courses in medical training
- parallel growth of basic research departments in academia
- inbred laboratory mouse established (1907) and adoption as predominant model for experimental studies
- concept of comparative medicine viewed increasingly through the scientific lens of rodent disease models
- 1950s onwards: increased societal affluence, discretionary income and rapid growth in companion animal populations

The Evolution of Laboratory Models of Human Diseases

- **rise of inbred laboratory animal disease models as core element of biomedical research and regulatory standards for preclinical safety testing of Rx, vaccines, devices**
- **neglected opportunity for leadership by veterinary schools and void filled by new Departments of Comparative Medicine in University Medical Schools/
Life Sciences Schools**
- **veterinarians relegated to lab animal husbandry support and service roles rather than integral intellectual contributors in driving of new research initiatives**
- **'lost opportunity' for veterinary research scientists with veterinary schools focused increasingly on companion animals and agricultural livestock**



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Large-Scale Laboratory Rodent Facilities with Sophisticated QA/QC inventory and Biocontainment Controls

Expansion of Murine Genetics, the Design Specialized Animal Models and Targeted Genetic Modification



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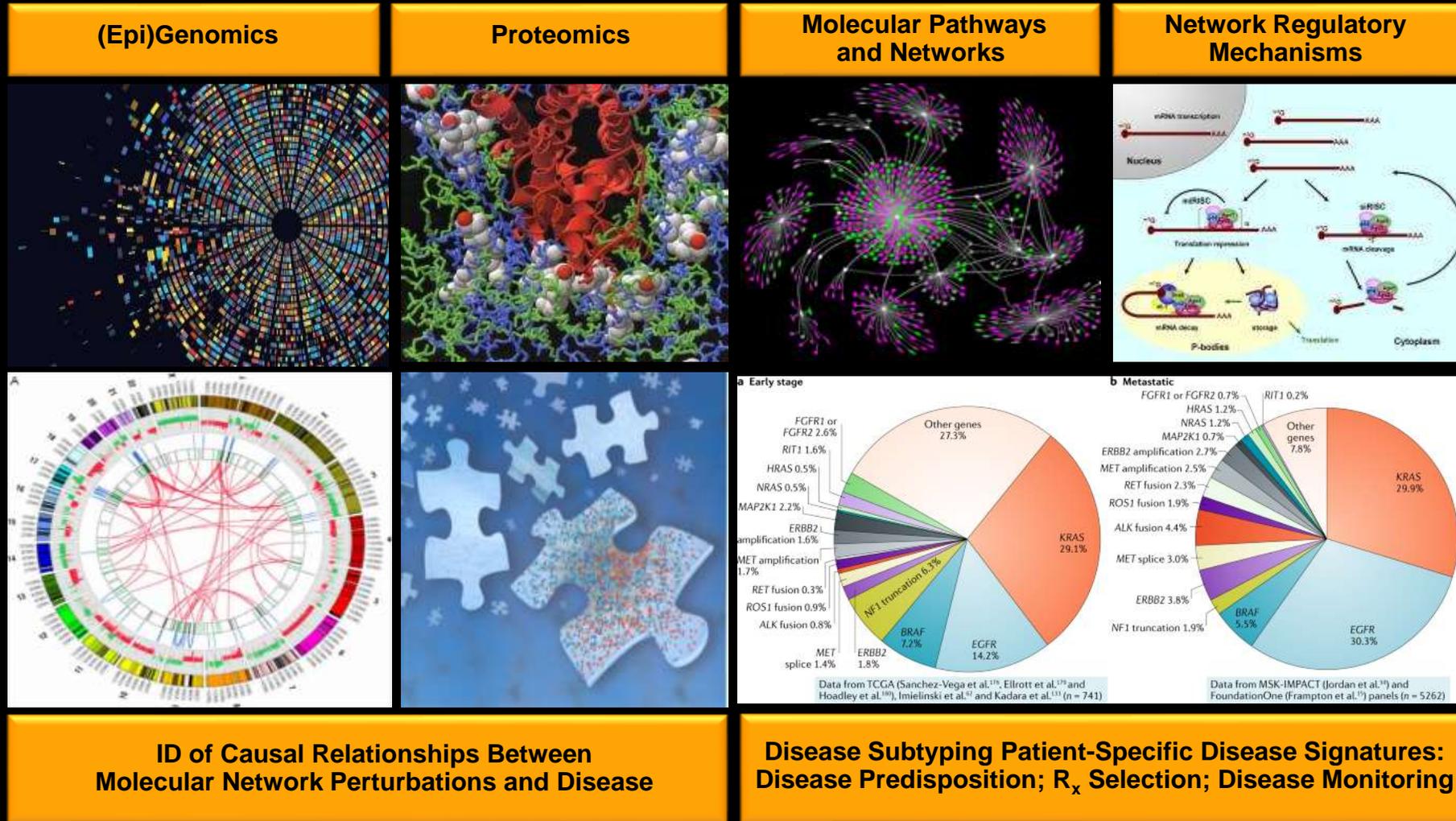
Large-Scale Use of Rodents in Biomedical Research

- **multibillion dollar supply industry for academic, government and private sector research**
- **mandatory compliance with regulatory statutes for safety testing (and ideally also efficacy evaluation) of products/ingredients**
 - **human and veterinary medicine**
 - **diverse consumer products**
 - **environmental release and exposure risks**
- **targeted by animal welfare activists as part of broader campaign against toxicity testing of diverse animal-sourced products/ingredients**

Precision Health

**The Design of Health Interventions to Reflect
the Unique Features of Disease Risk, Onset
and Progression in Individuals and Populations**

Precision Health and Deep Phenotyping: Mapping The Molecular Signatures of Disease as the Intellectual Foundation of Rational Diagnosis and Treatment Selection



**Technology Trends in Human Healthcare
and
Diffusion into Veterinary Practice**

**Consumer Expectations for Highest Quality
Companion Animal Care as Powerful Economic Driver**



How can genomics benefit your cancer patients?

Knowing a tumor's genetic fingerprint can aid in the diagnosis and prognosis of cancer and help inform treatment decisions.

Learn more about SearchLight DNA™, an extensively validated diagnostic test from Vidium Animal Health® that uses next-generation sequencing to identify important mutations in 120 relevant cancer genes.

SearchLight DNA identifies important biomarkers to advance the care of pets with cancer



Discover how SearchLight DNA can provide insights into a cancer's origin, its behavior, and the optimal approach to treatment.

ONCOK9 | Overview for Pet Parents



Finally, there is a blood test for early cancer detection in dogs



“ Early detection and treatment are the best ways to manage cancer in pets... cancer is frequently treatable and early diagnosis will aid your veterinarian in delivering the best care possible. ”

- American Veterinary Medical Association

What is cancer screening?

Just like in people, cancer screening should be an important part of preventive care in dogs; the goal is to look for cancer when your pet is feeling well, before they start to show any clinical signs. During **wellness visits**, your



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Genomic tumor analysis provides clinical guidance for the management of diagnostically challenging cancers in dogs

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Canine Molecular Diagnostics: Disease Subtyping and Rx Selection

● Rx



● Rx



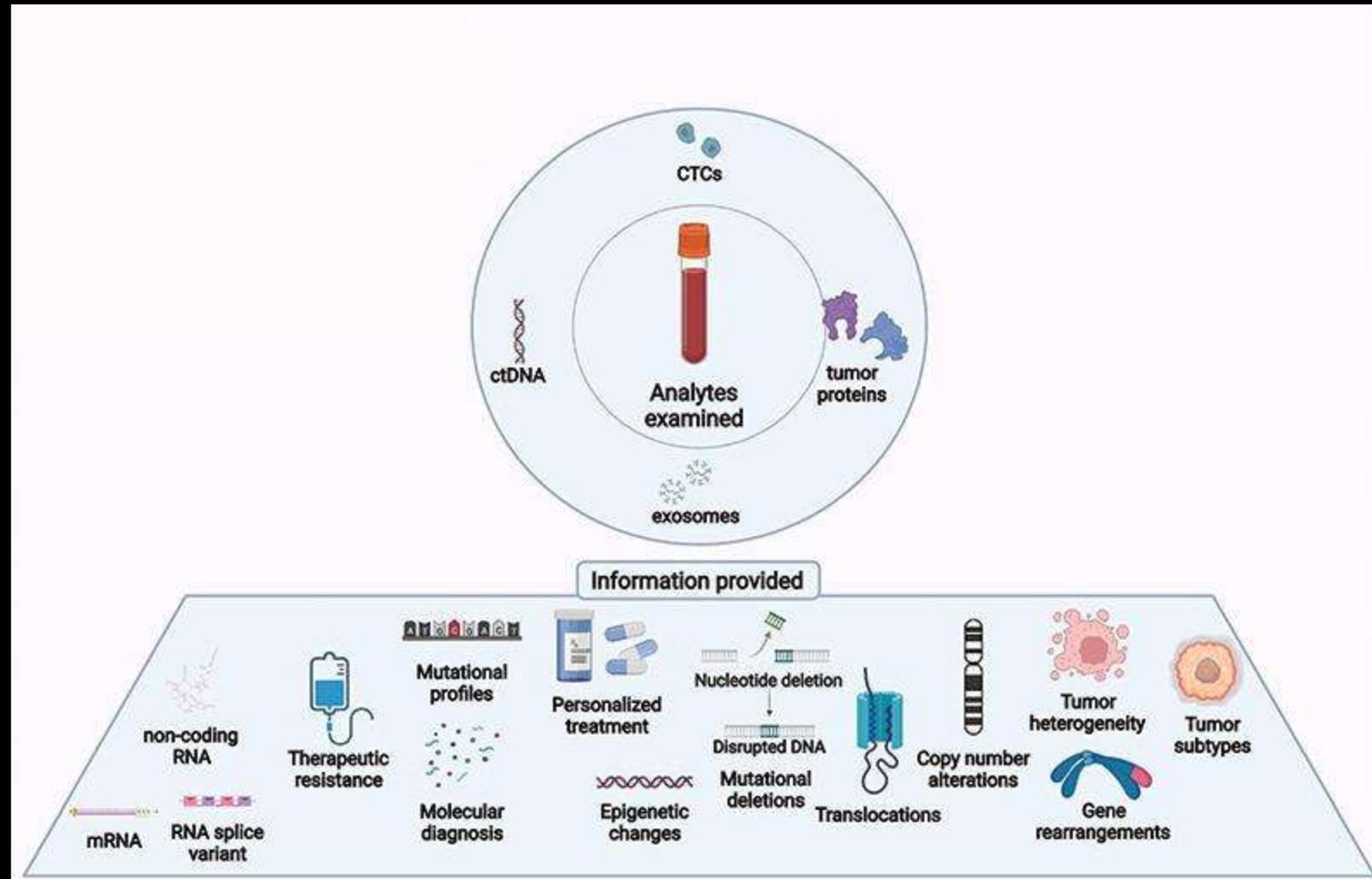
● Rx^r



The Next Level of Large-Scale Holistic Data Integration for Comprehensive MultiOmics Profiling

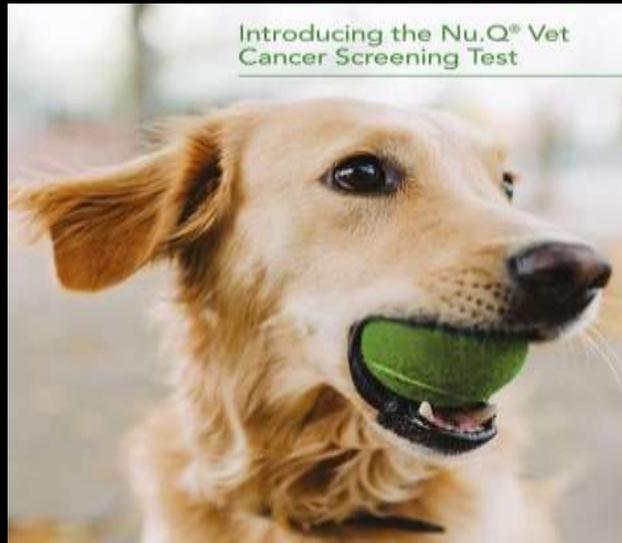
- **whole genome sequencing**
- **cell, tissue and individual-specific differential gene expression and transcription kinetics**
- **epigenetic modifications: DNA, histones and RNAs**
- **integrate effects of coding and non-coding regulatory variants across the entire genome**
- **transcription factor-promoter: enhancer interactions**
- **protein-RNA interactions**
- **RNA-RNA interactions**
- **chromosomal topologies/adjacencies chromatin interactions, gene neighborhoods and other long-range interactions (the 3-D genome)**

The Rise of Blood-Based MultiOmics Profiling The Liquid Biopsy



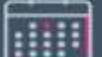
Liquid Biopsy, Lone SN, et al. Molecular Cancer 21, 79 (2022). Used under the Creative Commons license:
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Minimally Invasive Canine Cancer Screening Platforms



OncoK9: The Liquid Biopsy Test for Dogs

As a first-in-class multi-cancer early detection (MCED) test, OncoK9 employs cutting-edge genomic analysis that leverages next-generation sequencing (NGS) technology and proprietary bioinformatics algorithms, empowering veterinarians to provide superior care to canine patients.

- **Simple Blood Draw**
[learn more](#)
- **Multi-Cancer Coverage**
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- **Cutting-Edge Technology**
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- **Early Detection**
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Clinical validation of a next-generation sequencing-based multi-cancer early detection “liquid biopsy” blood test in over 1,000 dogs using an independent testing set: The CANcer Detection in Dogs (CANDiD) study

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Clinical experience with next-generation sequencing-based liquid biopsy testing for cancer detection in dogs: a review of 1,500 consecutive clinical cases

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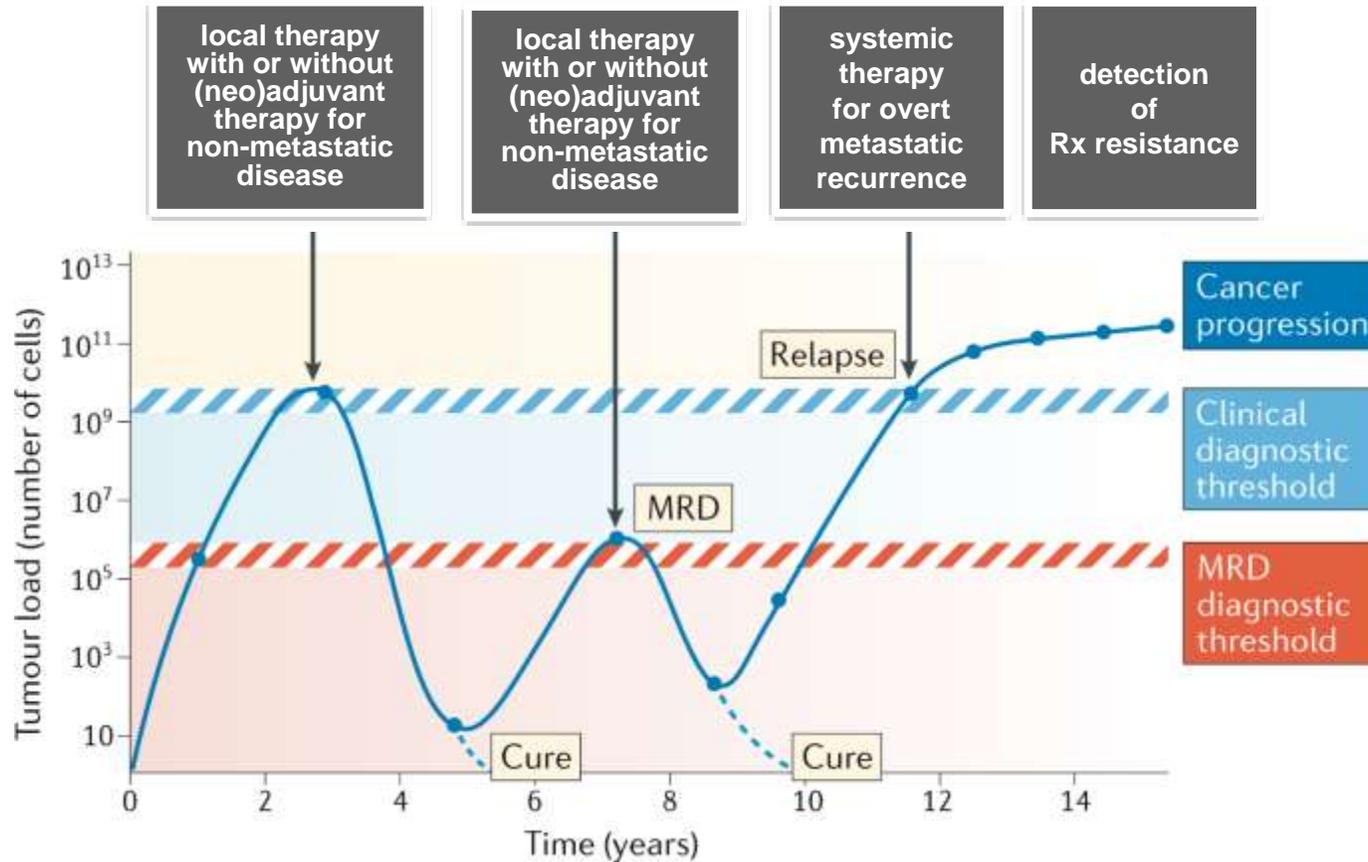
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The Liquid Biopsy: Comprehensive Blood-Based MultiOmics Profiling

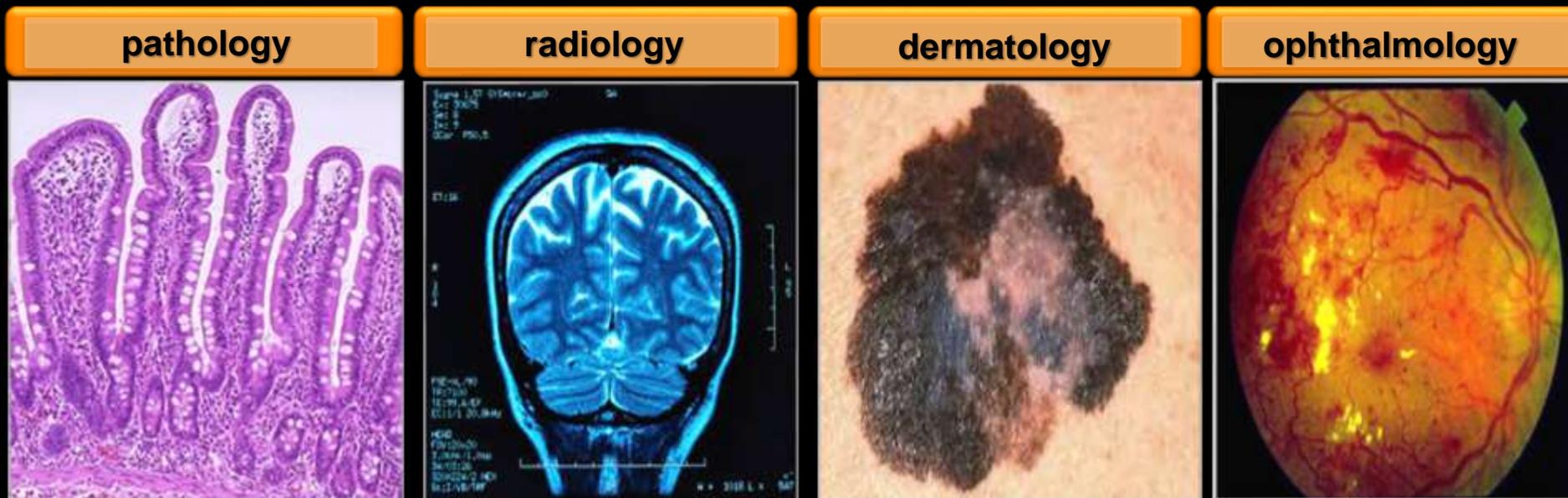
- **oncology as initial focus but potential utility in diverse disease settings**
- **area of intense competition in human molecular diagnostics**
 - **over 65 companies**
- **lack of standardized methods as obstacle to cross-platform comparison**
- **ambitious agenda for multicancer early detection (MCED) tests**
 - **criteria for performance metrics and regulatory oversight of clinical utility (fit-for-purpose)**

The Use of Cancer Liquid Biopsy Assays in Clinical Case Management



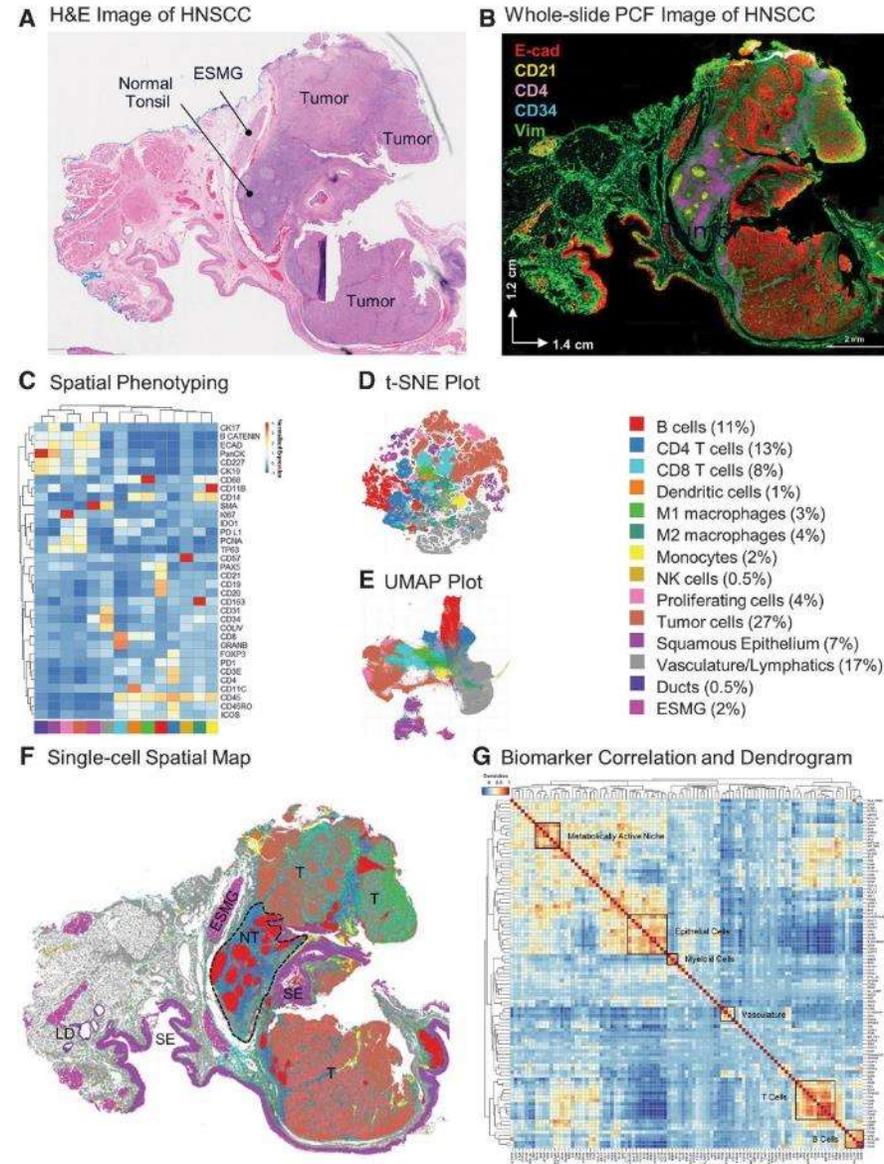
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Machine Learning and Image Analysis in Clinical Medicine

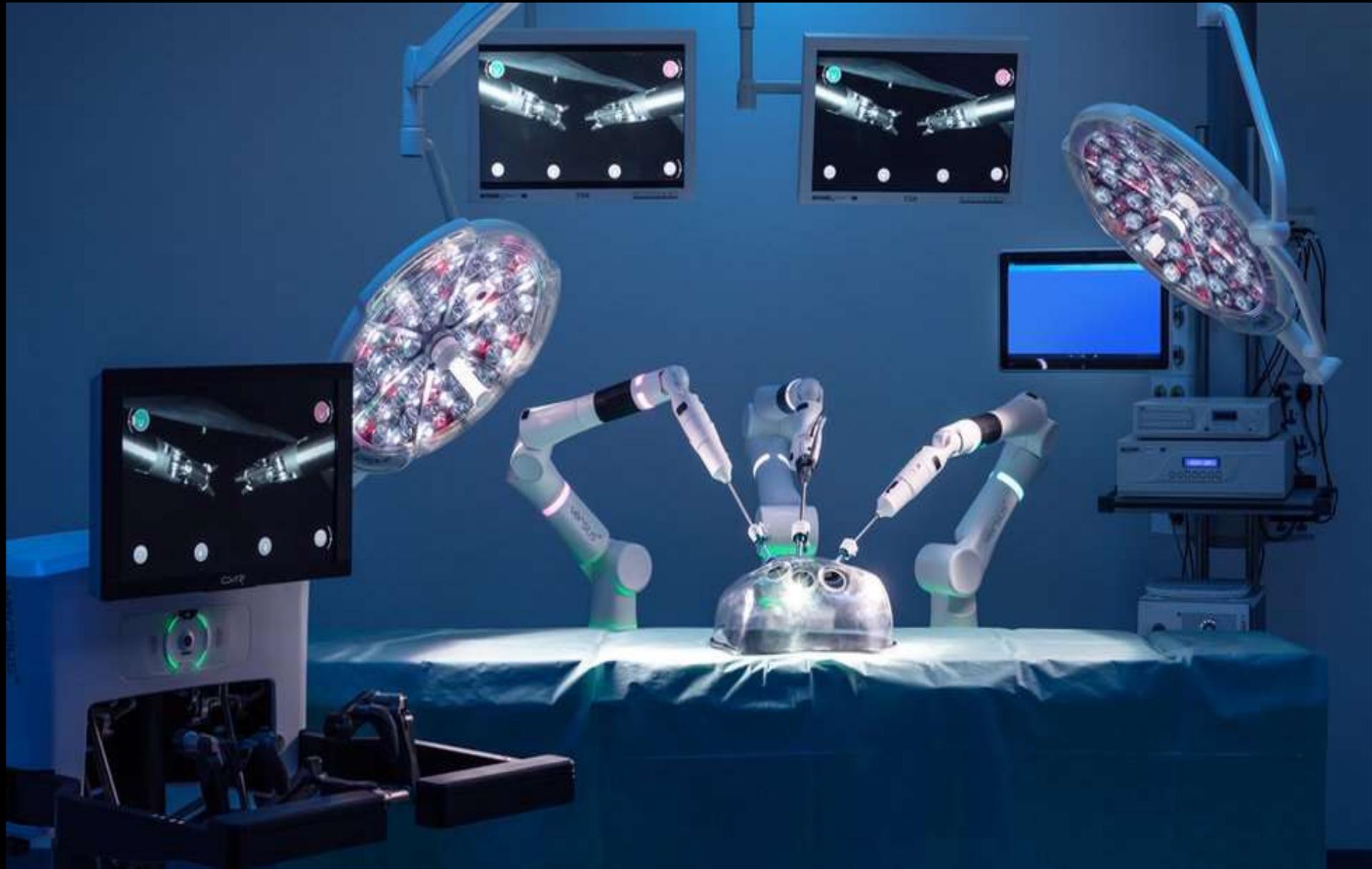


- large scale training sets and classification parameters
- standardized, reproducible and scalable
- 260 million images/day for \$1000 GPU

101-Plex Spatial MultiOmics

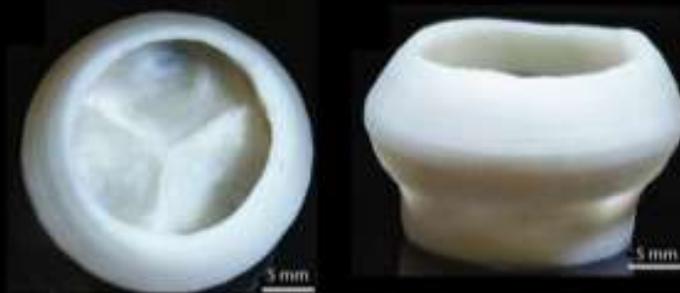


Predicted Cost Reduction in Automated Surgical Robotics: New Control Systems from Integration of Imaging with ML/AI Algorithms

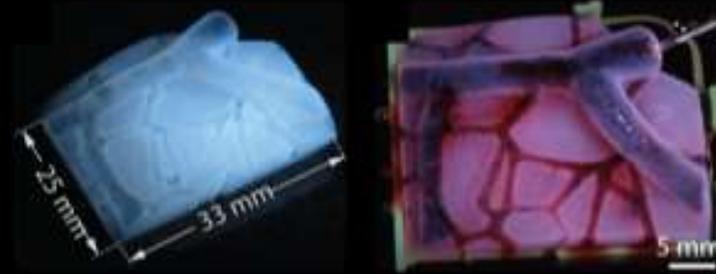


3D Printing a Functional Tri-Leaflet Valve, Perfusable Vasculature, and Neonatal Scale Heart

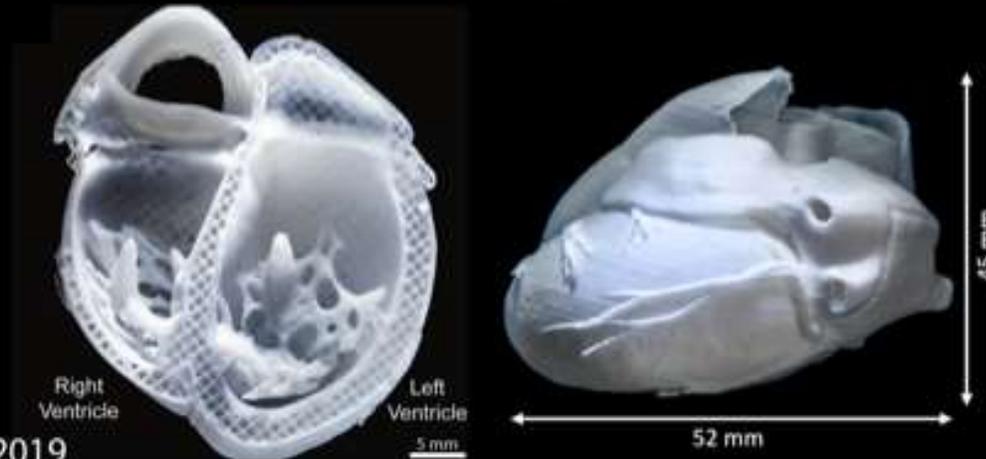
Functional Tri-leaflet Heart Valve



Perfusable Multiscale Vasculature

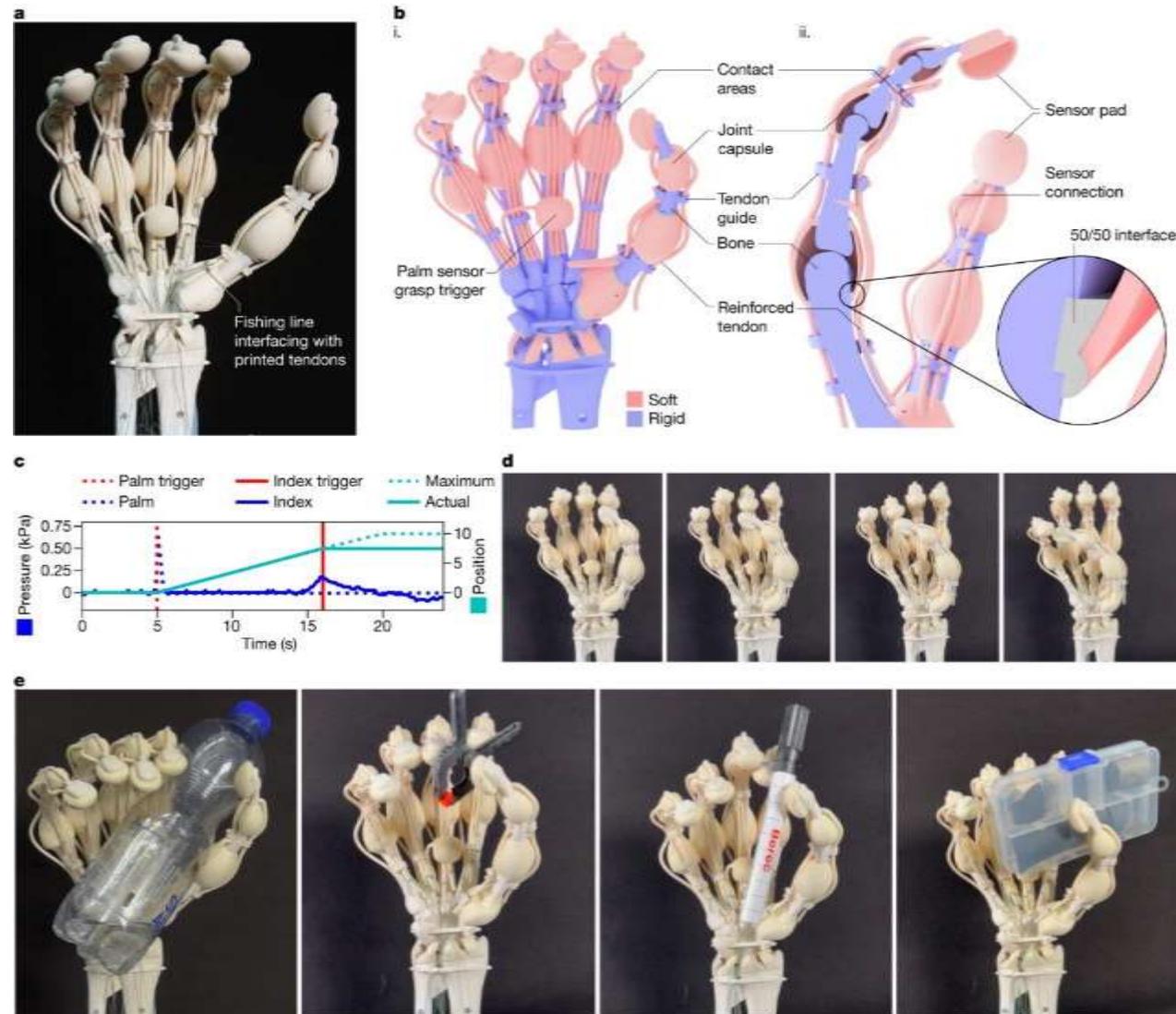


Neonatal Scale Collagen Heart



Lee et al. *Science*. 2019

3D-One Process Manufacture of Sensorized Robotic Hand with Tendon-Driven Grip Capabilities



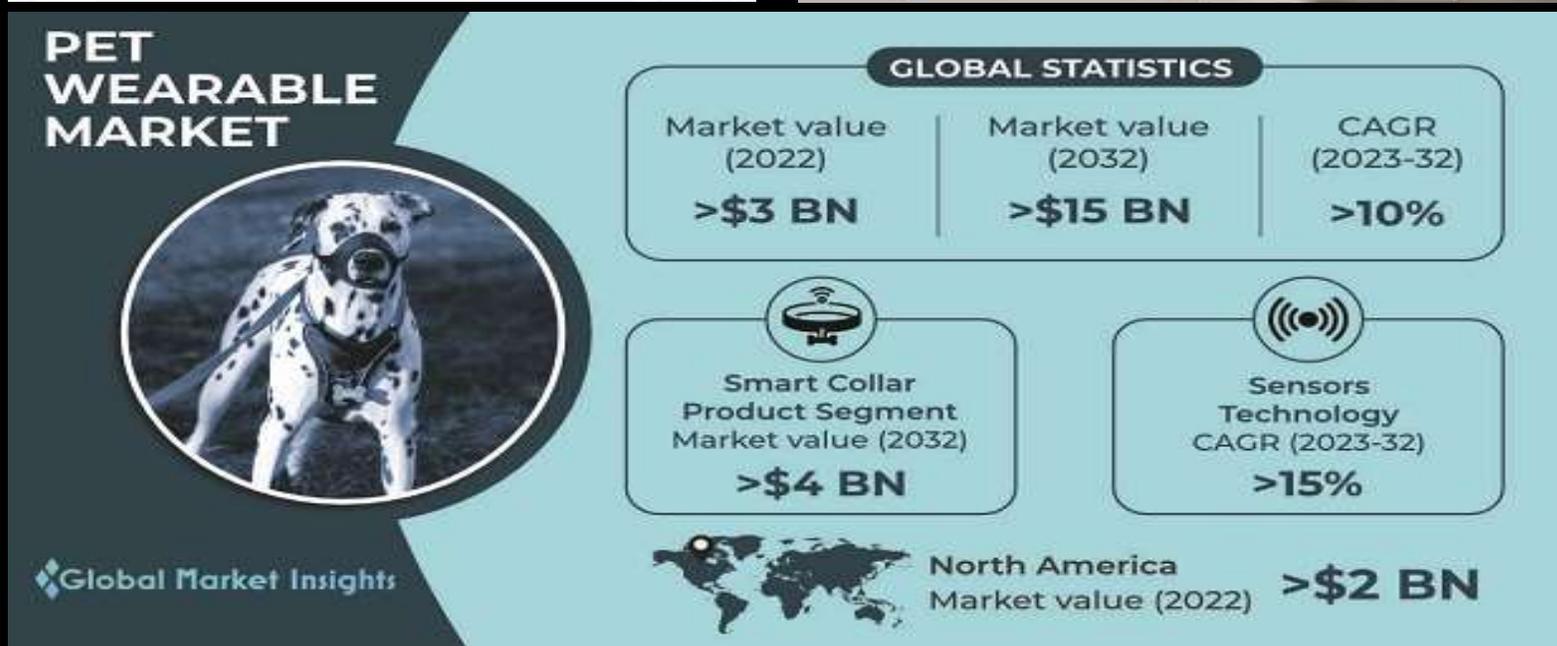
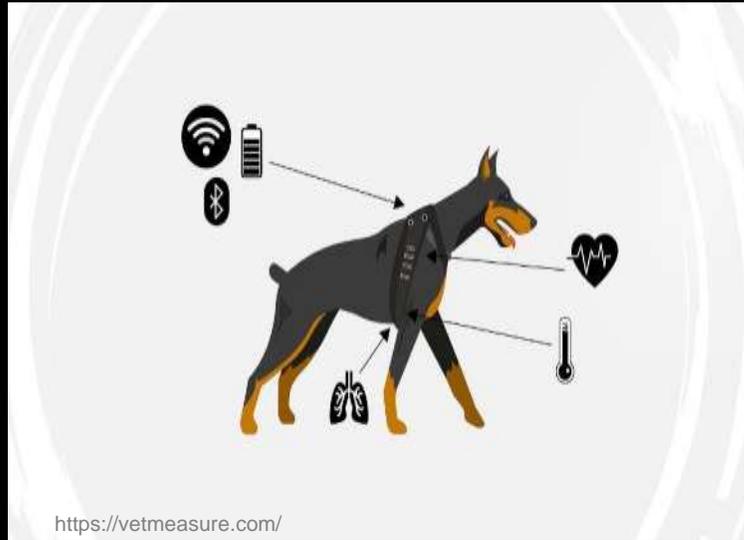


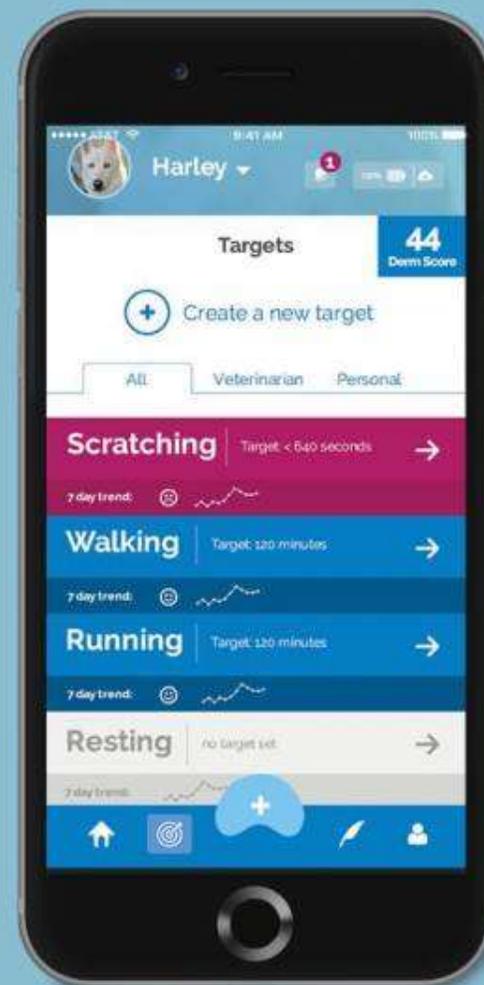
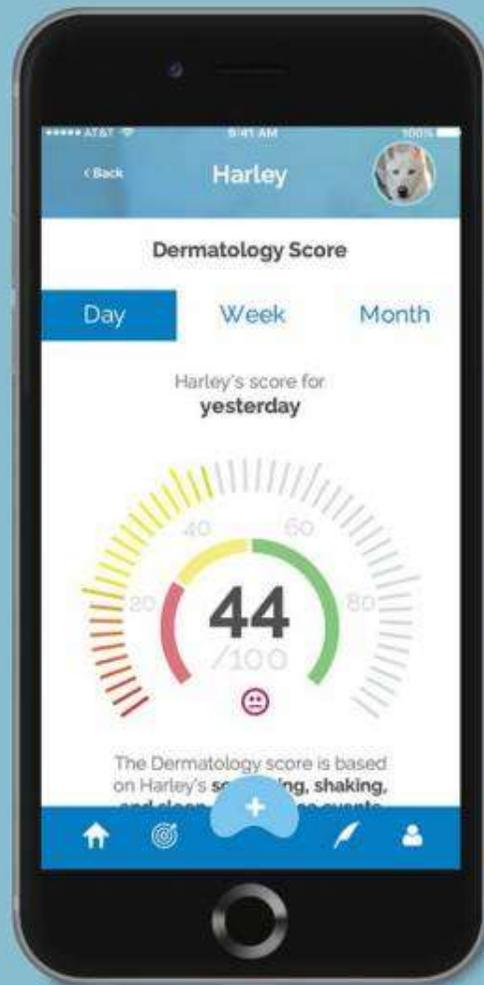
DIGITAL REVOLUTION IN ANIMAL HEALTH

How Predictive, Monitoring and Diagnostics
Technologies are Enabling Tailored Care
and Better Welfare for Animals



The Connected Pet: Telehealth and Remote Health Monitoring





Telehealth and Remote Health Monitoring

- **new sensor technologies for real time monitoring of health status**
- **integrated networks of multiple sensors for increasingly comprehensive clinical assessment**
- **faster detection of clinical deterioration and intervention**
- **monitoring treatment compliance and unanticipated adverse events**
- **longitudinal record of health status**
 - **individuals and populations**
- **ever larger databases for automated ML/AI analytics**
 - **proactive predictive risk analysis and mitigation**
 - **the digital twin concept: best match of individual patient profile to larger cohorts to optimize treatment options**

Companion Animals as Sentinels for Predicting Environmental Exposure Effects on Aging and Cancer Susceptibility in Humans



Proceedings of a Workshop

Silicone tags used to identify dogs' pollution exposures

Researchers see potential as a new tool for environmental
monitoring

March 04, 2022



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Social determinants of health and disease in companion dogs: a cohort study from the Dog Aging Project

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FDA to resume enforcement of all federal VCPR requirements for veterinary telemedicine

December 21, 2022

Telehealth bill advances in California Senate

Veterinary groups warn of unintended consequences to eliminating in-person requirement for establishing veterinarian-client-patient relationship

September 06, 2023

Updated November 1, 2023

Can ChatGPT diagnose my collapsing dog?

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GAI and the Rise of Chatbots in Healthcare



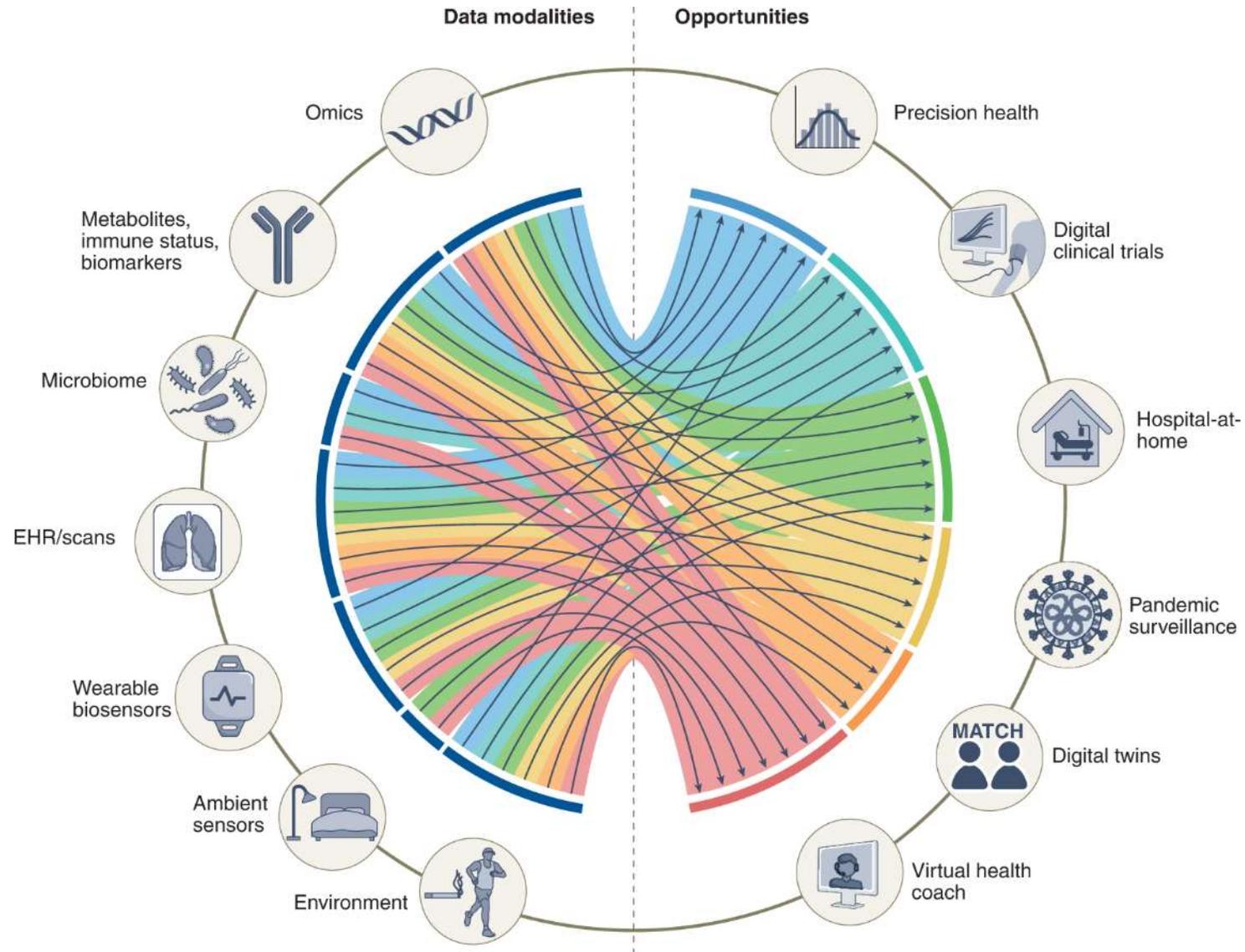
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**Human and Veterinary Medicine as
Data-Intensive Disciplines**

Evolution of Large-Scale Multimodal Databases

**New ML/AI Analytics for Increasingly Automated
Diagnosis and Clinical Decision Support Systems**

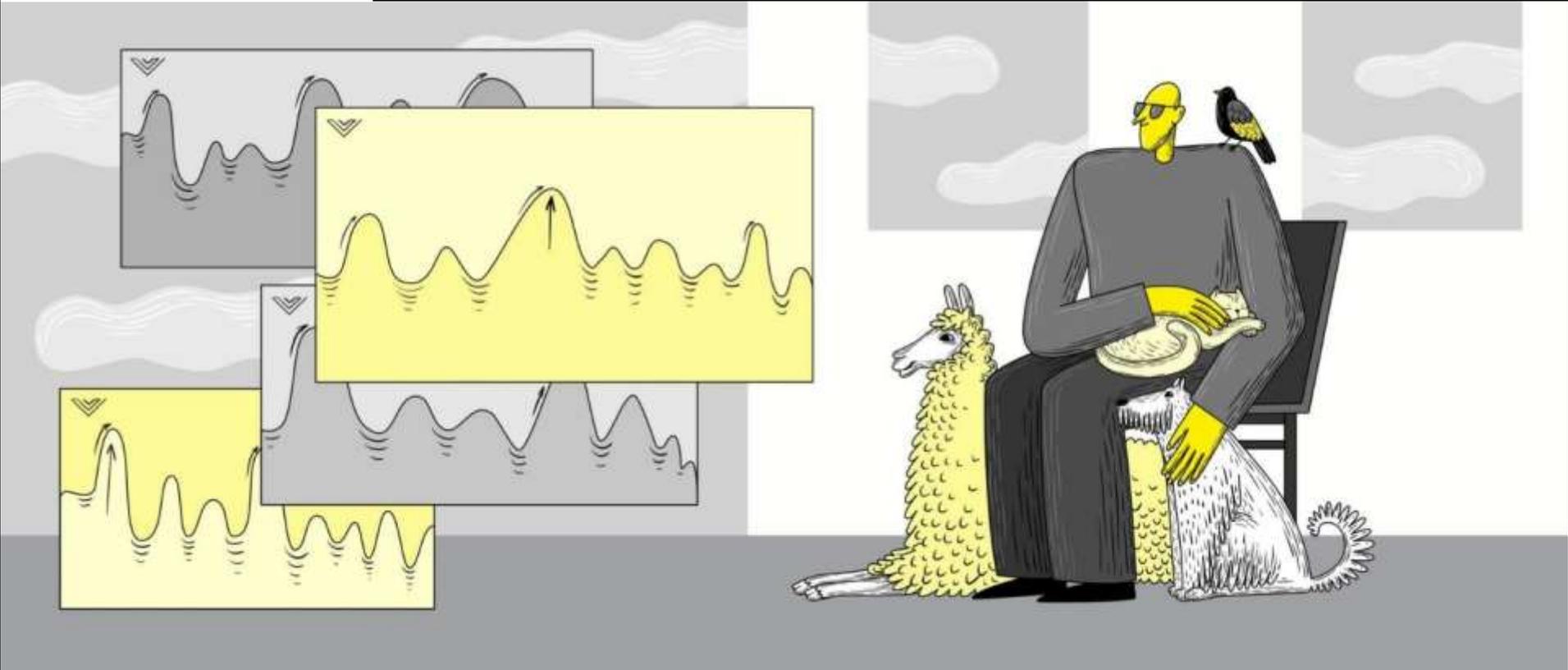
Precision Health and Deep Phenotyping: Multimodal Data Integration for Longitudinal Management of Health Risks





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Veterinary Consolidators: North American Market Analysis



**Continued Consolidation of Companion Animal
Veterinary Clinics and Practices**

**Leverage Economies of Scale in Adoption of
New Technologies and Increased Standardization
of Data Capture Integration, Database Design
and Cloud-Based Computing Infrastructure**

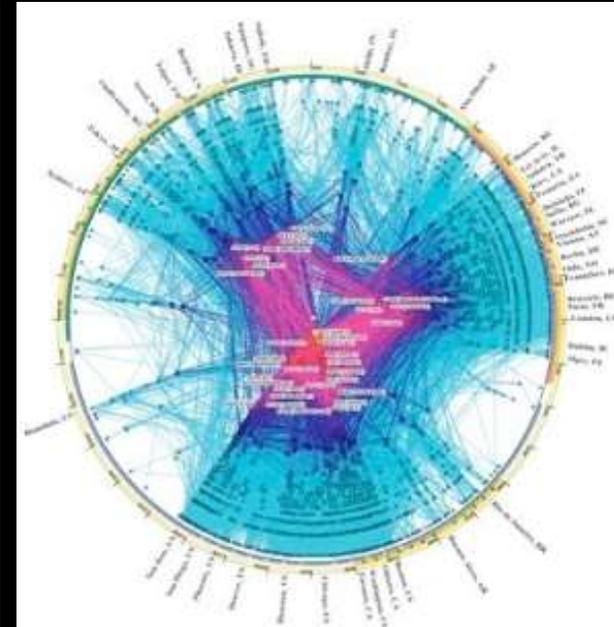
The Emergence of Big Data and ML-AI Platforms Changes the Questions That Can Be Asked



**Isolated Siloed
Data**



**Complex
Networked Data**

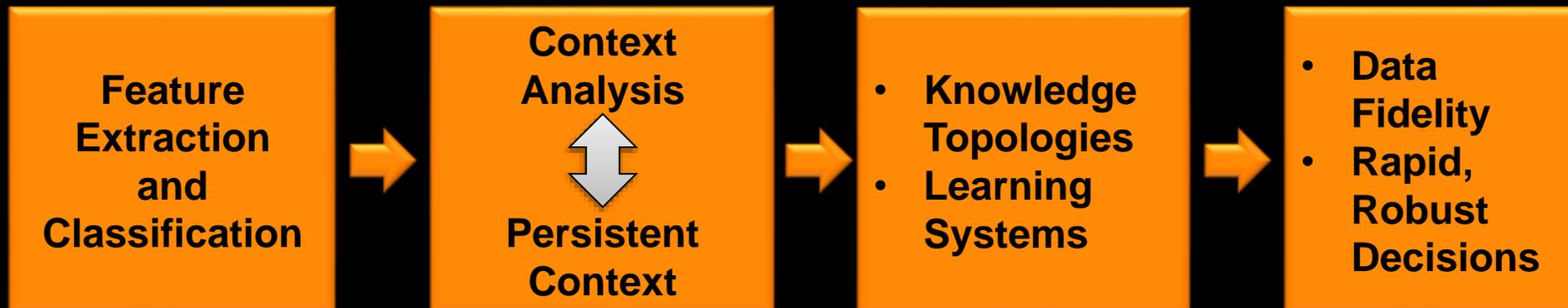
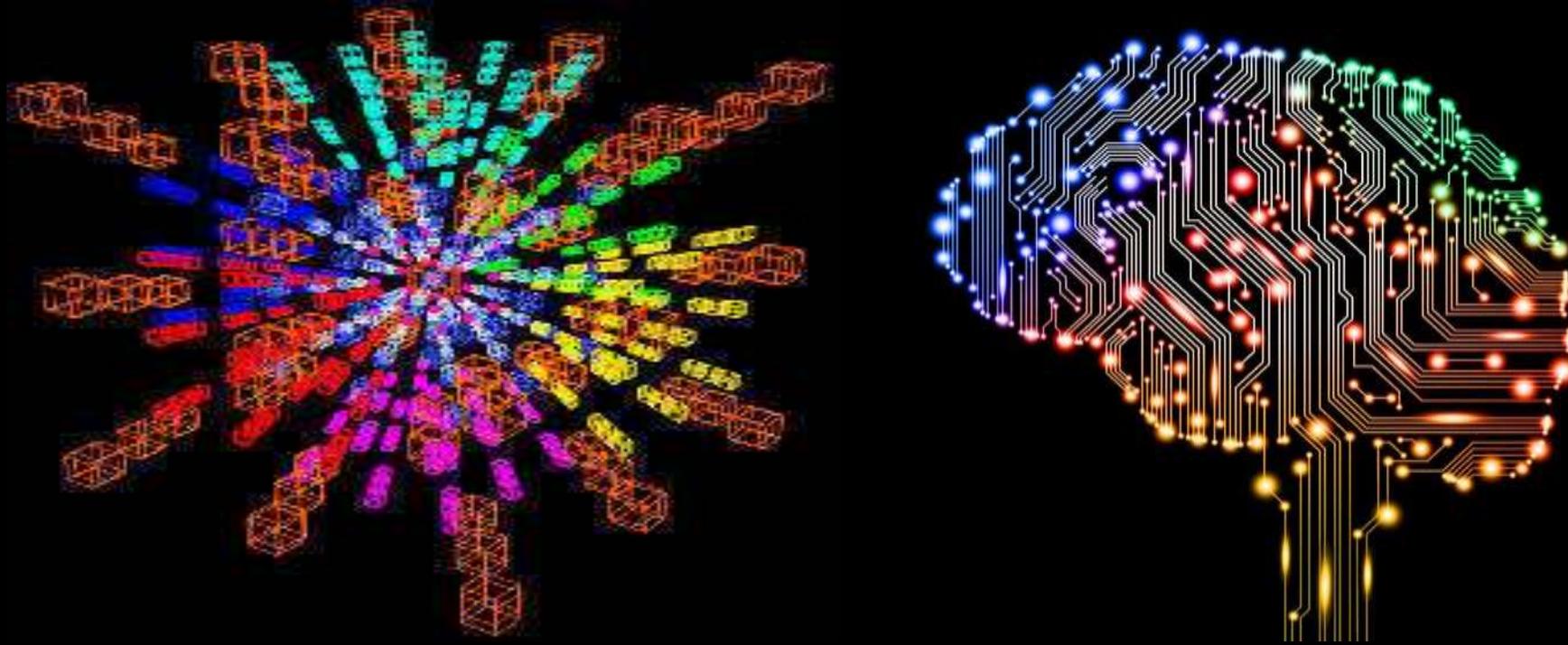


**Complex
Computational Data**

Automated Learning Systems: The Future of 'Search' and Decision Support

- **deeper understanding of content and context structured text plus automated language processing of unstructured inputs**
- **search all things**
 - **integrate traditional document semantic sources with video, objects, speech**
- **why should you have to ask first?**
 - **smart machines and understanding where/what the user is doing**
 - **automated and proactive analytics**
- **why wait for the slow brain to catch up to the fast machine?**

Automated Context: Data Finding Data “Intelligence at Ingestion” and Collapse Time to Decision



Building 'Digital Twins': Matching Individual Deep Phenotypes to 'Best Fit' Cohorts

Individual Data



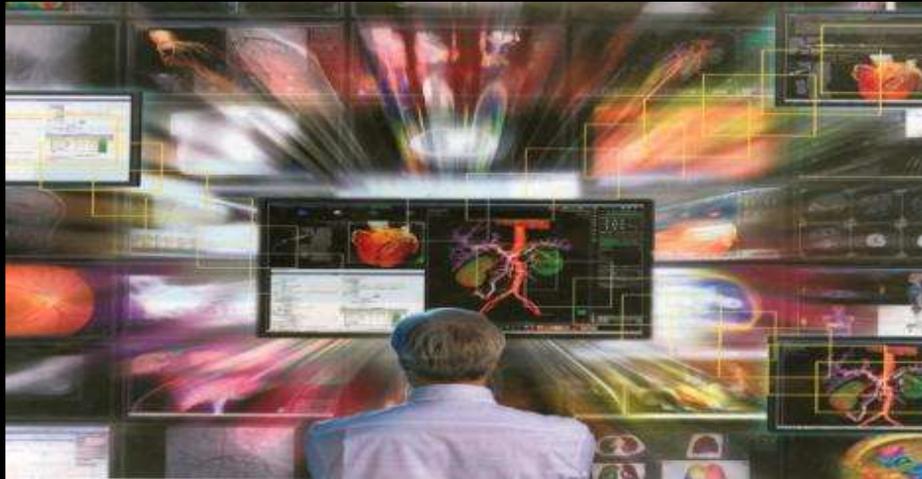
Population Databanks



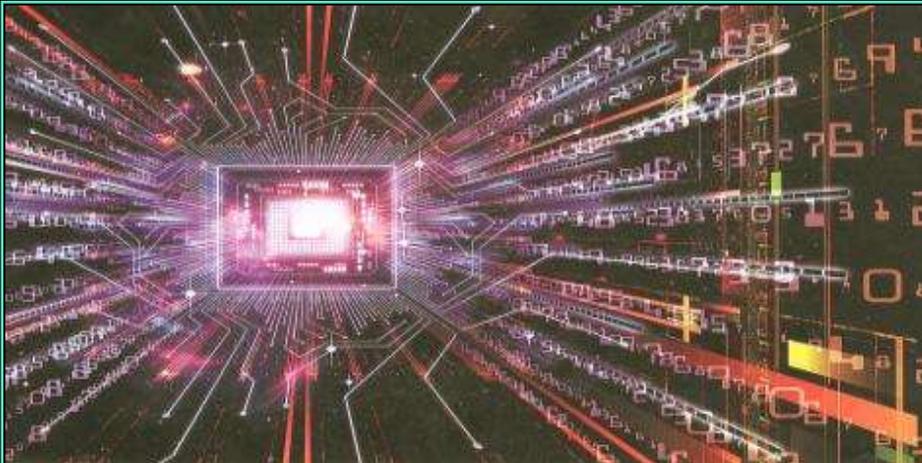
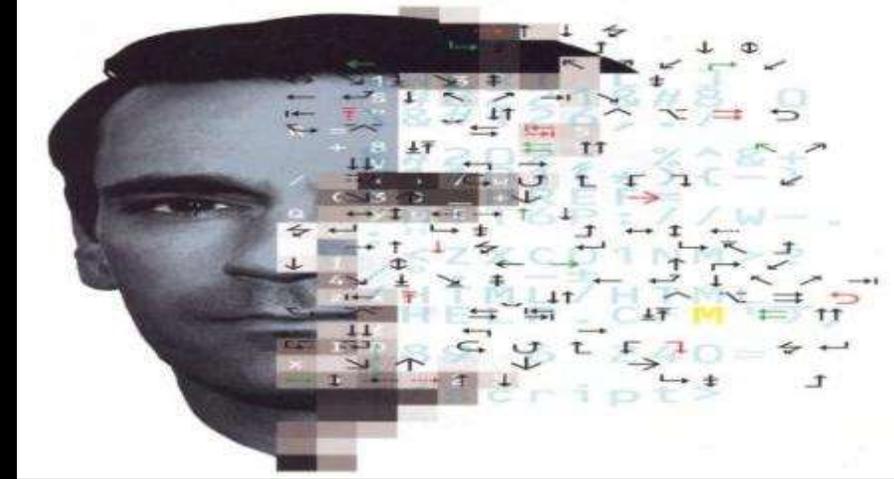
- digital twins and siblings' and imputed phenotypes
- risk predisposition and disease prevention
- earlier detection of subclinical disease and mitigation
- selection of optimum treatment regimen for overt disease
- improved outcomes
- RWE/RWD and synthetic control arms for clinical studies

Technology Acceleration and Convergence: The Escalating Challenge for Professional Competency, Decision-Support and Future Medical Education

Data Deluge



Cognitive Bandwidth Limits



Automated Analytics and Decision Support



Facile Formats for Actionable Decisions

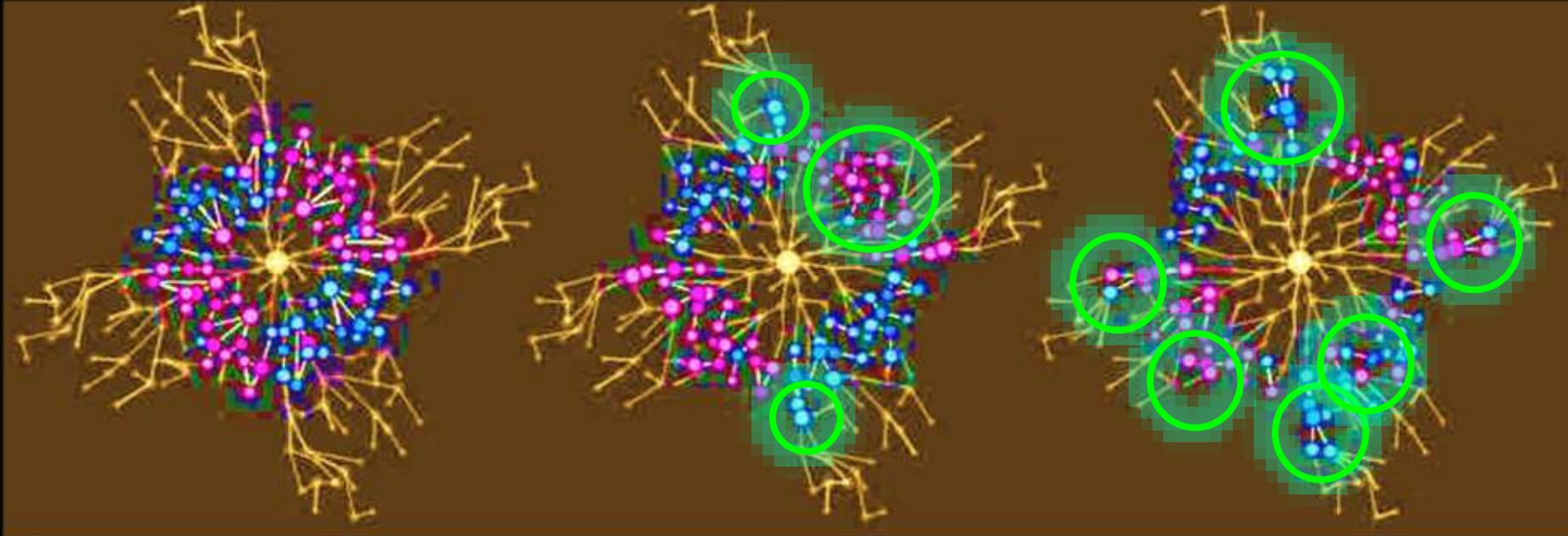
**MultiOmics and Elucidation of Disease Mechanisms
at the Molecular Level**

The Intellectual Driver of Innovation in Precision Health

**The Escalating Technical and Regulatory Complexity,
Cost and Risk of Translational Research**

**The Need for New Paradigms in Preclinical Testing of
Investigational Drugs to Constrain the Unsustainable
Cost of Development Failures and Pricing
of Approved Products**

Diseases as Complex Adaptive Biological Systems: System State Shifts (Phenomes) and Cumulative Perturbations in Molecular Signaling Networks in the Health to Disease Continuum



$T_{1(n)}$ health

$T_{2(n)}$ subclinical disease

$T_{3(n)}$ overt disease

- identification of biomarkers/diagnostics and therapeutic targets in dysregulated networks
- DrugMechDB (2023) 4583 Rx indications, 5666 pathways
32,249 molecular interaction networks across 14 biological parameters

Identification of New Therapeutic Targets

- **multiOmics and major expansion of candidate targets**
 - **coding and non-coding elements**
 - **circular DNA**
 - **epigenetic targets**
 - **transcription factors, enhancers**
 - **splice variants**
 - **multiple RNA species**
 - **protein PTCMs**
 - **protein degradation pathways**

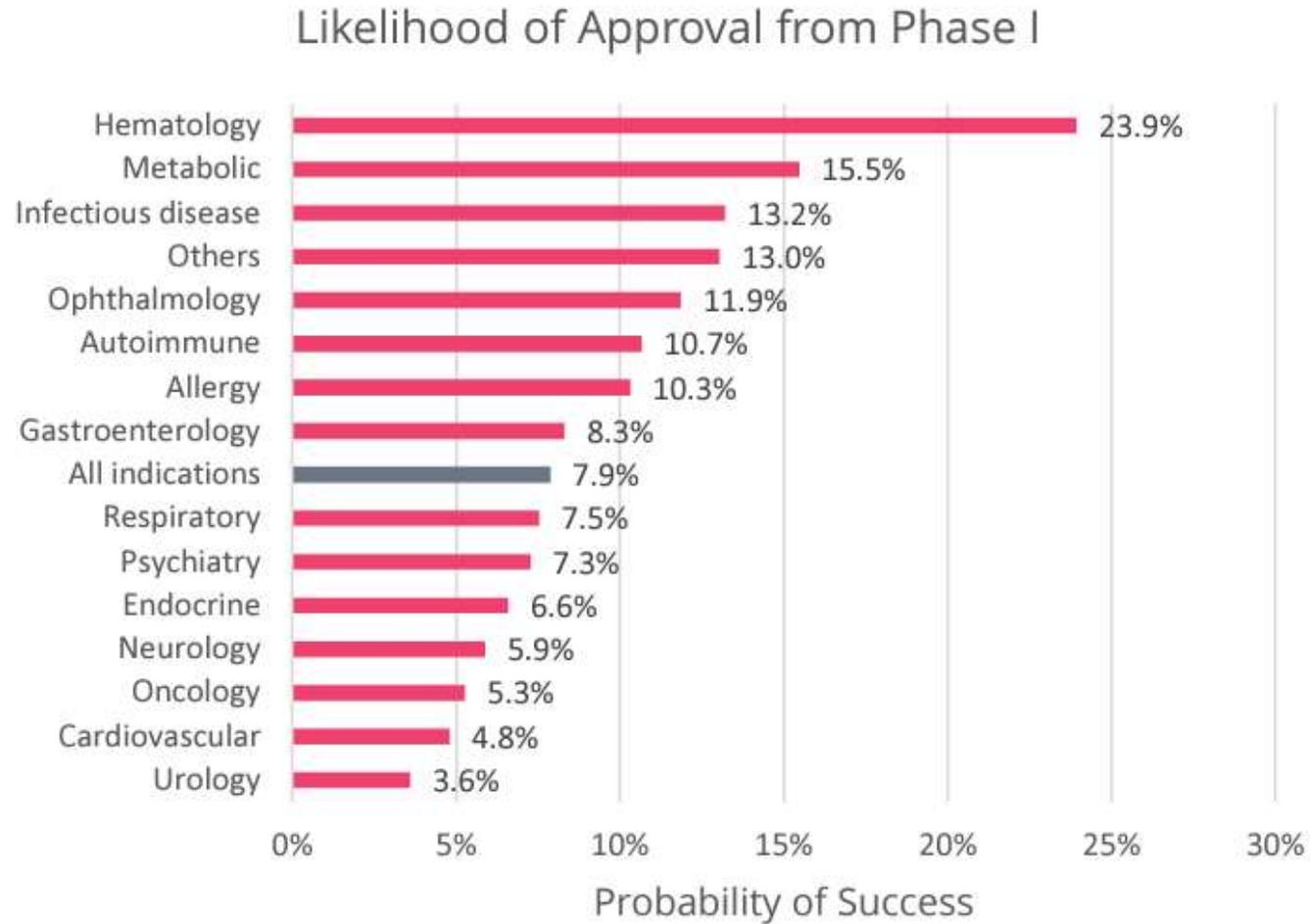
New Therapeutic Targets

- **expansion of chemical drug classes**
 - **from small molecules to diverse biologicals**
- **biological drug classes**
 - **proteins**
 - **protein degraders (PROTACs), molecular glues**
 - **antibodies and antibody: drug conjugates (ADCs)**
 - **oligonucleotides and RNA therapeutics**
 - **gene therapies**
 - **cell therapies**
 - **exosomes**
 - **mRNA and saRNA vaccines**
 - **oncolytic viruses**

The Persistent Achilles Heel in Proficient Translational Therapeutics Research

- **the impressive research productivity in expansion of new drug targets and diversified drug classes has not been matched by advances in preclinical disease models to better predict drug efficacy in human clinical trials**
- **continued high rate of high-cost failure of investigational agents in Phase II/III clinical trials**
- **average cost of successful NDA/BLA now \$1 to 3.8 billion**
- **inflation-adjusted cost has doubled every nine years**

The High Failure of New Investigational Agents in Human Clinical Trials: Approval by Disease Area



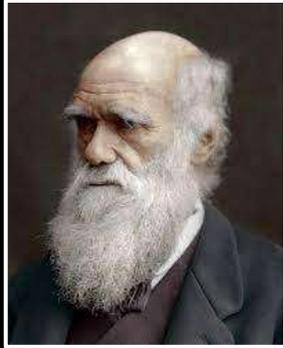
Original Investigation | Oncology

Costs and Causes of Oncology Drug Attrition With the Example of Insulin-Like Growth Factor-1 Receptor Inhibitors

Valerie Jentzsch, MSc; Leeza Osipenko, PhD; Jack W. Scannell, DPhil; John A. Hickman, DSc

- **16 inhibitors, 183 clinical trials, 12,000 patients in wide range of tumor types (2003 to 2021)**
- **no successful registrations**
- **estimated wasted clinical trial costs of \$1.6 to 2.3 billion (plus risk exposure of patients)**
- **50% of the preclinical rodent tests demonstrated less than 50% tumor growth inhibition**

Failure and Waste in Biomedical Research: Herd Mentalities in Scientific Research



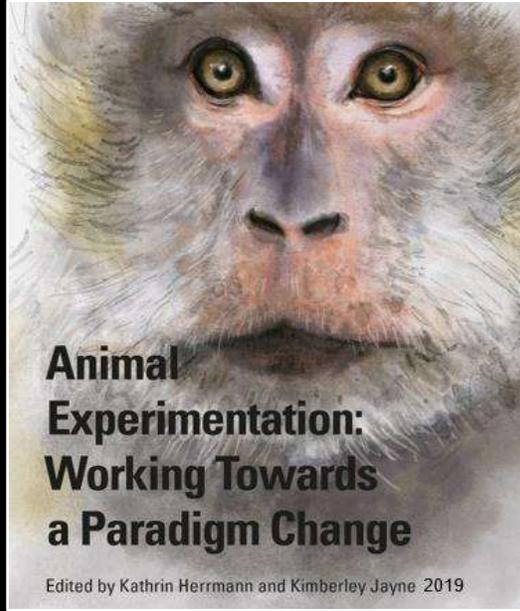
**“To kill an error is as good a service as,
and sometimes even better than,
the establishing of a new truth or fact.”**

Charles Darwin 1879



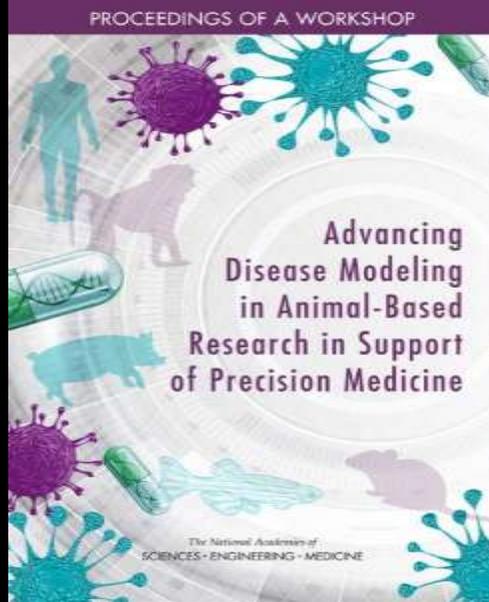
**“Animal research (or rodents) hasn’t worked
and its time we stopped dancing around the problem
We need new methodologies for use in humans
to understand disease biology in humans.
You’ve lost the debate if you lose sight
of the taxpayers and the patients.”**

Elias Zerhouni, Director, NIH 2013



Animal Experimentation: Working Towards a Paradigm Change

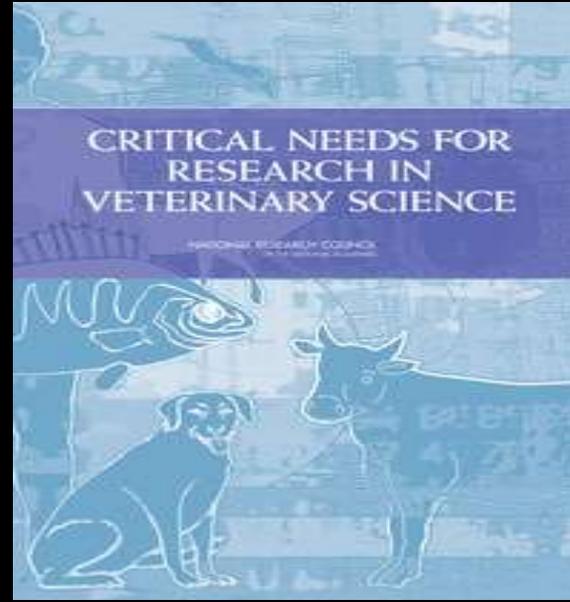
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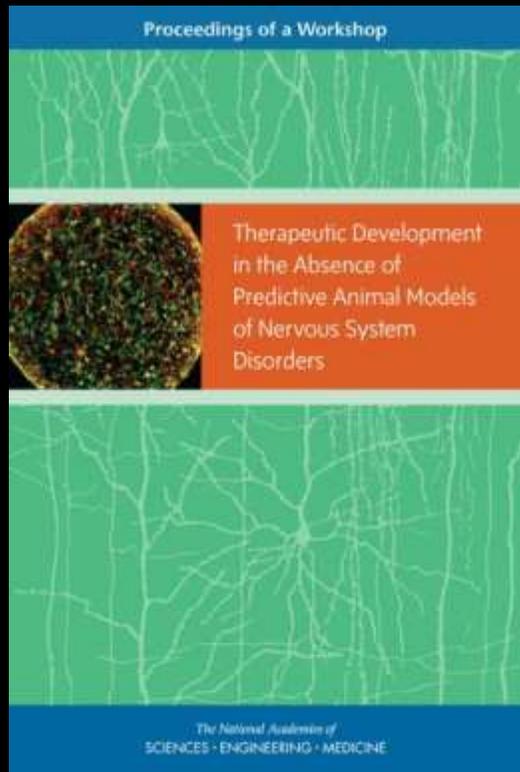
Advancing Disease Modeling in Animal-Based Research in Support of Precision Medicine

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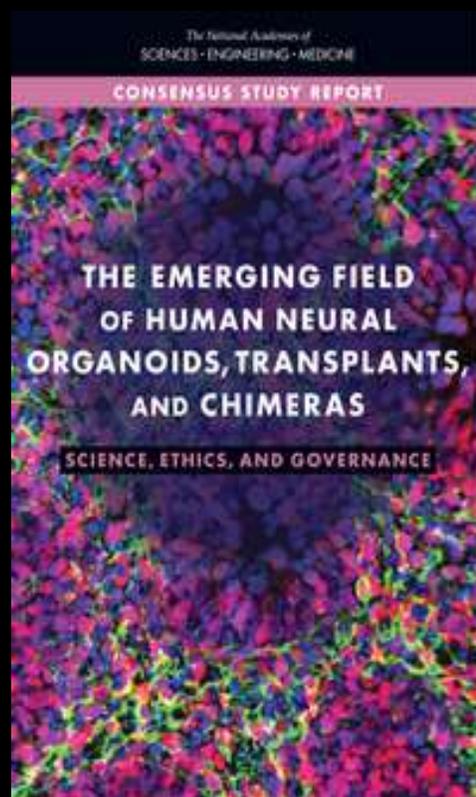
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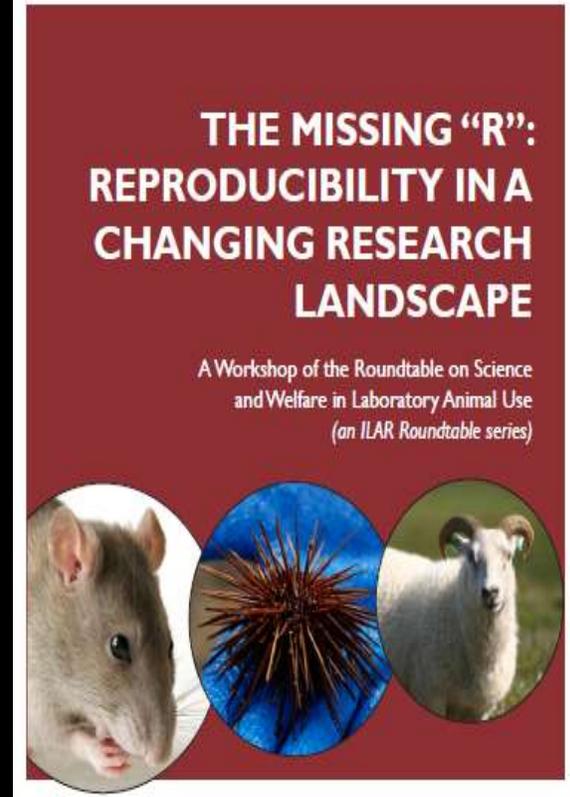


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CONSENSUS STUDY REPORT

THE EMERGING FIELD OF HUMAN NEURAL ORGANOIDS, TRANSPLANTS, AND CHIMERAS

SCIENCE, ETHICS, AND GOVERNANCE



THE MISSING "R": REPRODUCIBILITY IN A CHANGING RESEARCH LANDSCAPE

A Workshop of the Roundtable on Science
and Welfare in Laboratory Animal Use
(an ILAR Roundtable series)

The Limitations of Widely Adopted Laboratory Research Models in Replication of Pathophysiology of Major Human Diseases



- **inbred populations with constrained genetic heterogeneity**
- **truncated lifespans that do not reflect the biological heterogeneity of spontaneous disease processes in humans and outbred animal populations**
- **highly controlled laboratory environments and diets do not reflect real world environments**
- **failure to represent complex immune and CNS functions**
- **lack of pharmacological responses to human specific biologics**

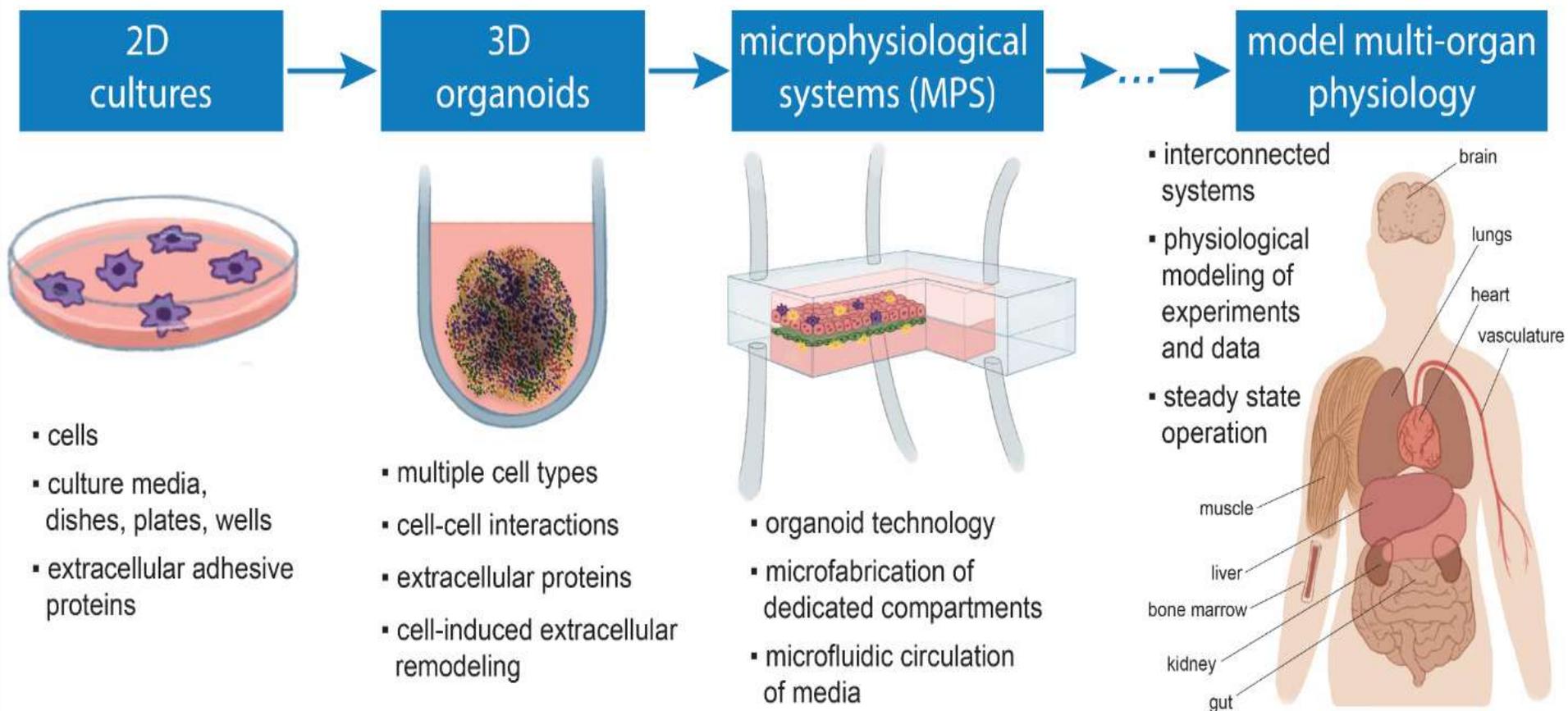


Trends in Preclinical Testing of Investigational Agents

- **FDA Modernization Act 2.0 (December 2022)**
- **pre-clinical testing on “non-relevant animals” no longer required for IND submission**
 - **animal data still accepted but non-animal-based test platforms can be used as alternates**
 - **in vitro and in silico methods**



Use of In Vitro and In Silico Methods for Pre-IND Evaluation of Safety and Efficacy of Investigational Agents





Trends in Preclinical Testing of Investigational Agents Regulatory Schizophrenia?

- **long overdue recognition of historical evidence of poor predictability of rodent models of human disease**
- **legitimate question as to how far the proposed new roster of invitro methods will prove equally lacking due to failure to replicate complex histiotypic structures and multifunctional humoral and cell-mediated communication systems**
- **higher probability of value in safety (toxicity) profiling than efficacy assessment?**

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Animal Models: Adcomm Exposes Internal Rift In How FDA Defines 'Translational' For Purposes Of Confirmatory Evidence

by [Sue Sutter](#)

FDA review staff consider the animal models used in development of US WorldMeds' eflornithine for neuroblastoma to be translational to humans, even though this does not align with the definition in a September 2023 draft guidance on types of confirmatory evidence.

Comparative Medicine 2.0

**The Imperative for New Methods to De-Risk the Unsustainable
High Cost of Failure of Investigational Products
in Human Clinical Trials**

**Companion Animal Medicine as an
Underleveraged Resource for Preclinical
Profiling of New Human Investigational Products?**

Arizona Comparative Medicine 2.0

- **explore opportunities to build a comprehensive canine clinical trial network in Arizona**
- **validate testing in canine models to reduce unsustainable cost and frequency of failure of human candidate investigational agents in Phase II/III trials**
- **attract industry/regulatory funding**
- **increased revenue to clinics/practices from trial enrollment and monitoring**
- **reputational benefits with clients and expand client case**
- **enhanced professional clinical status from engagement in leading edge translational research in biomedicine**

Companion Dogs as a Robust Translational Model for Biomedical Research

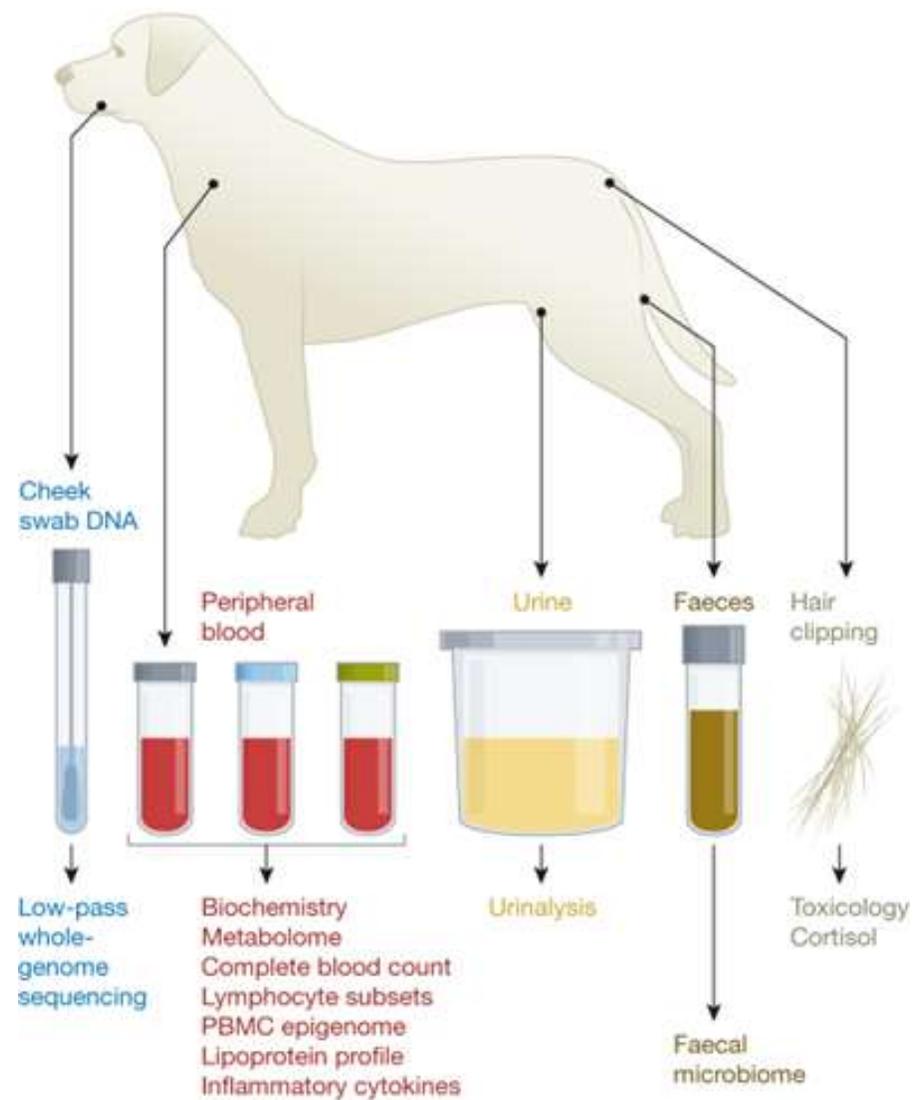
- **shift away from traditional laboratory animal models to study more biologically relevant organisms that replicate pathophysiology of human disease**
- **appeal of companion dogs for systematic profiling of genetic (multiOmic), environmental and lifestyle factors affecting disease predisposition, disease onset and progression**
- **canine actuarial aging, aging trajectories and shared environmental exposure(s) as their human owners**



Dog Aging Project

- **interdisciplinary project involving over 20 academic institutions**
- **large scale longitudinal study**
- **diverse cohort of mixed breed and purebred dogs throughout their lifespan**
- **proactive engagement of dog owners and veterinarians**
 - **collection of biospecimens, clinical data, diet, physical activity, environment**
- **rigorous QA/QC of preanalytical variables in biospecimen analysis**
- **data from over 10,000 animals for low-pass WGS coverage**
- **residual samples archived at Cornell Veterinary Biobank with ISO 20387:28 compliance**

Biospecimen Collection and Profiling in the Dog Aging Project



Integration of Environmental Determinants with Biospecimen Profiling in the Dog Aging Project

American Community Survey

- Tract-level sociodemographic variables
- Neighbourhood economic variables

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association

- County-level temperature measures
- County-level precipitation measures

Center for Air, Climate and Energy solutions

- Tract-level air pollution variables
- Four gases: O₃, CO, SO₂, NO₂
- Two aerosols: PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}

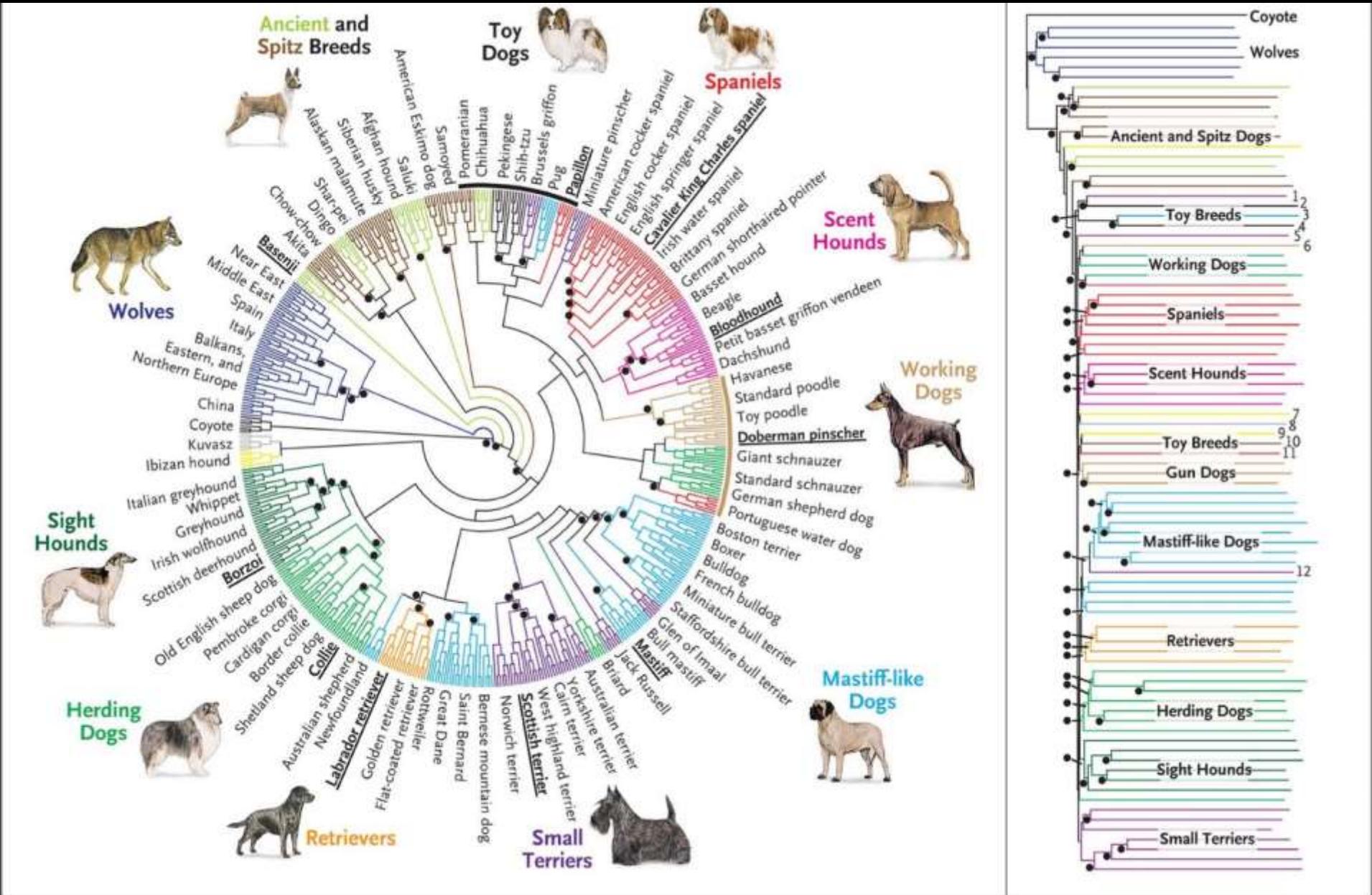
Neighbourhood walkability

- Walkscore
- Tract-level residential density

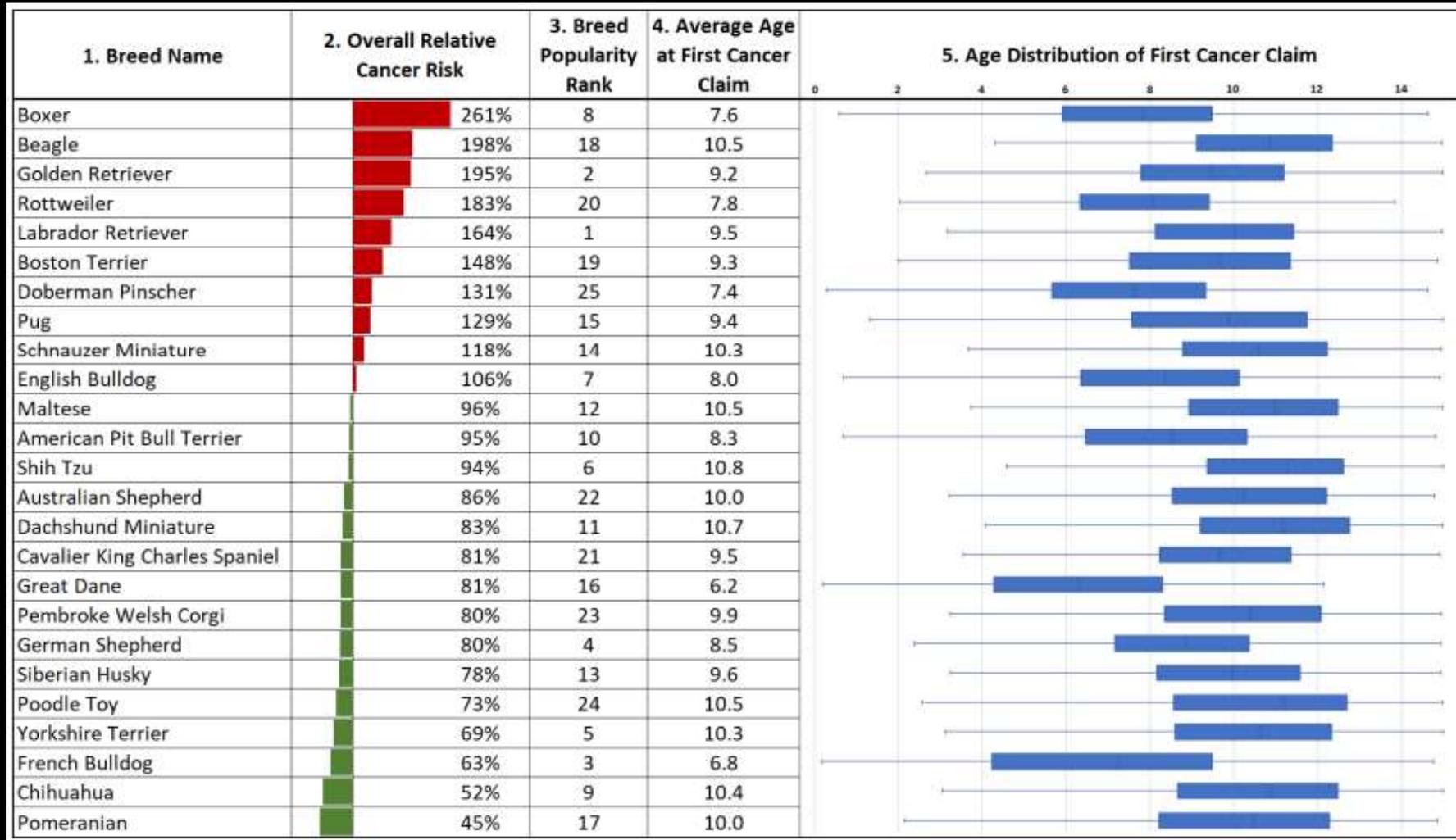
Chronic Late Onset Diseases in Companion Dogs As Clinical Trial Cohorts for Preclinical Evaluation of Candidate Interventions in Human Studies

- **oncology**
- **obesity and diabetes (and cats)**
- **osteoarthritis and other orthopedic problems**
- **shortened lifespan**
- **cognitive decline**
- **decreased resilience to environmental warming**

Canine Genetic Pedigrees



Relative Cancer Risk by Breed in Top 25 Most Popular Purebreds



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Standing in the canine precision medicine knowledge gap: Improving annotation of canine cancer genomic biomarkers through systematic comparative analysis of human cancer mutations in COSMIC

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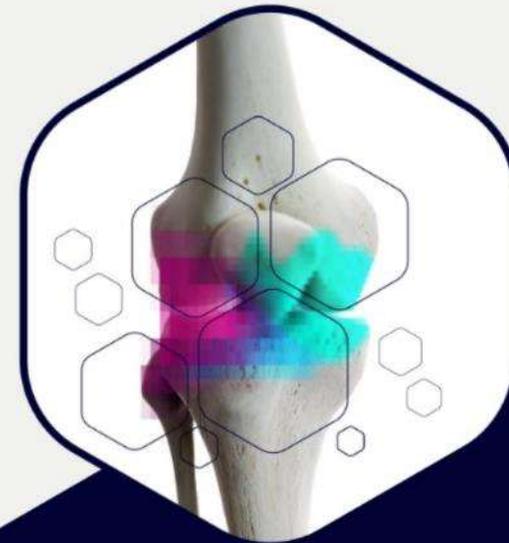
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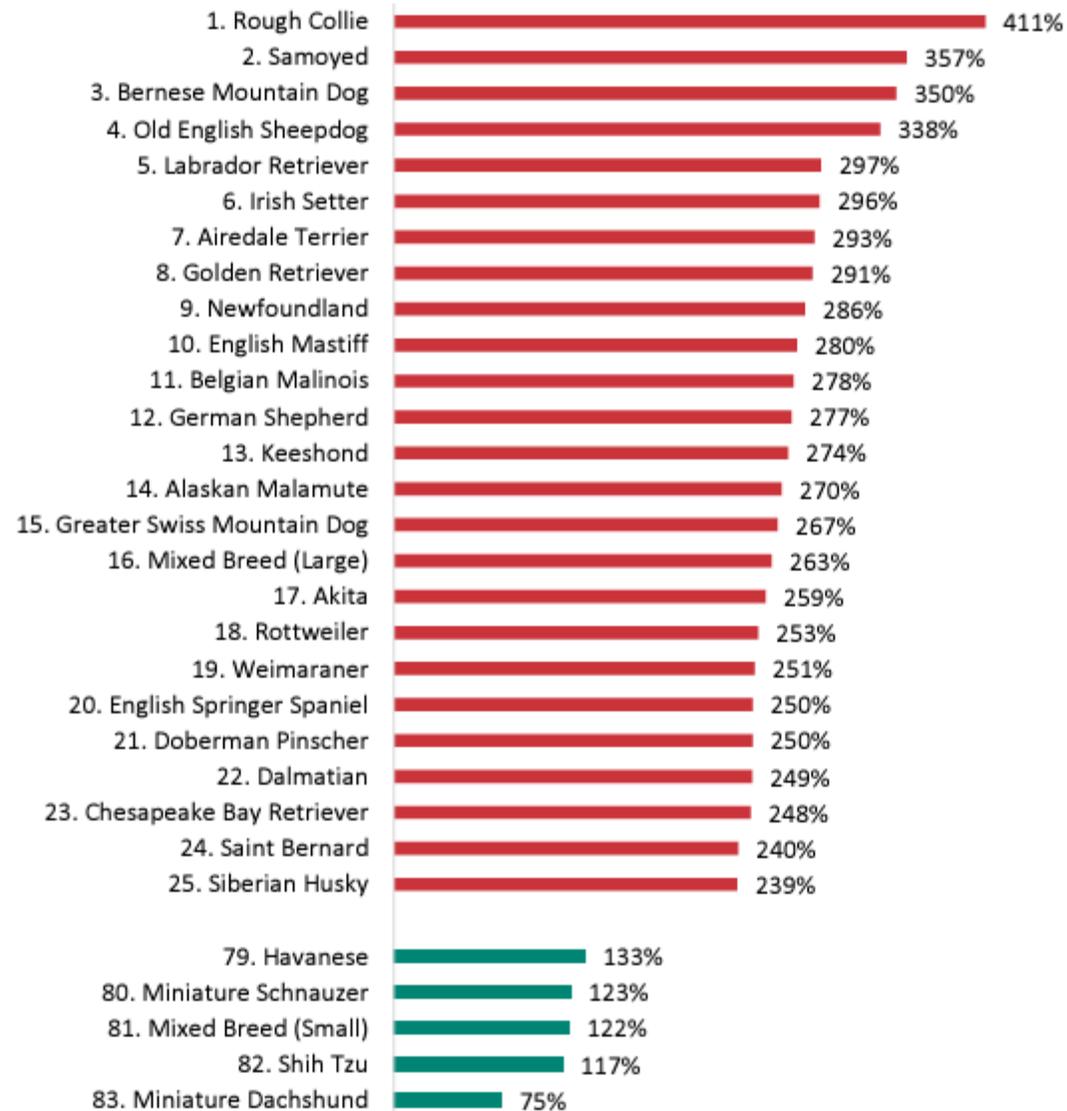
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we could make
your joints
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Novel Innovations for Tissue
Regeneration in Osteoarthritis



Senior Life Stage Arthritis Relative Risk for 25 Highest-Risk and 5 Lowest-Risk Breeds



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Currents in One Health

Leading at the intersection of
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A one-health perspective: use of hemoderivative regenerative therapies in canine and equine patients

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Use of mesenchymal stem cells for tendon healing in veterinary and human medicine: getting to the “core” of the problem through a one health approach

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Banking on a new understanding: translational opportunities from veterinary biobanks

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Best Practices for Veterinary Clinical Studies

- **federally funded animal research**
 - **Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) assurance and oversight by Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)**
- **FDA Center for Veterinary Medicine**
 - **GCP guidelines**
 - **9/14/23 draft guidance for informed consent for enrollment of client-owned companion animals**
- **AVMA**
 - **Use of Veterinary Clinical Studies Committee**
- **CASTR Alliance**
 - **Companion Animal Studies for Translational Research Alliance**

One Health

- an integrated, systems-based approach to optimize the health of people and animals, availability of crucial food resources and sustainable environmental ecosystems



The 'One Health' Concept

- **intimate and ever shifting interactions between human and animal hosts and environmental changes as drivers of risk**
 - **human health, agricultural productivity, food security**
 - **climate change: heat, drought, floods**
 - **socio-economic dislocations, political instabilities, conflict and geopolitical tensions**
- **still largely siloed operational activities and investment in different domains**
 - **public health for human populations**
 - **livestock and crop protection**
 - **environmental resiliency initiatives**
- **slow integration of one health as a core element of national/international public health policies and investment**

The Relentless Ever-Changing Dynamics of Infectious Diseases

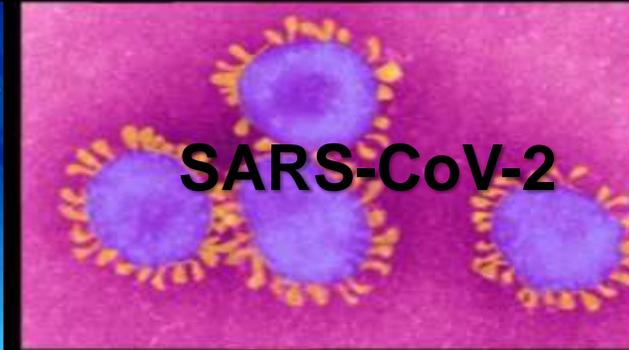
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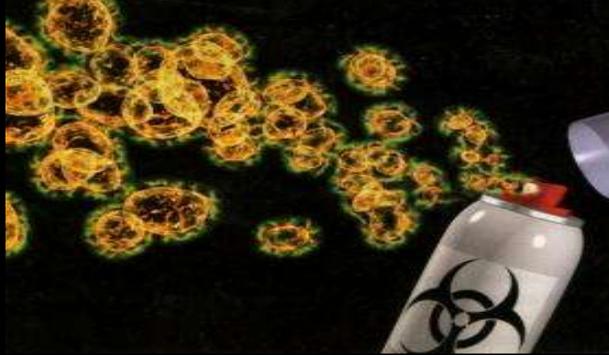
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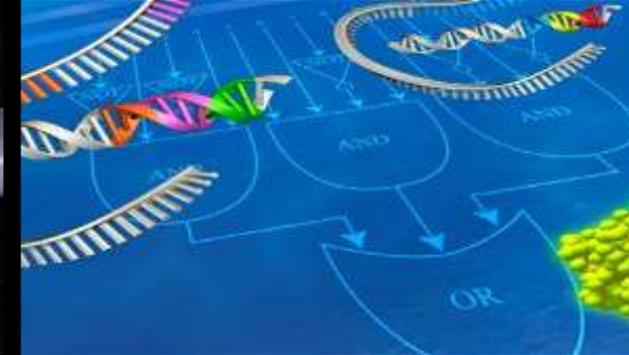
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climate change and
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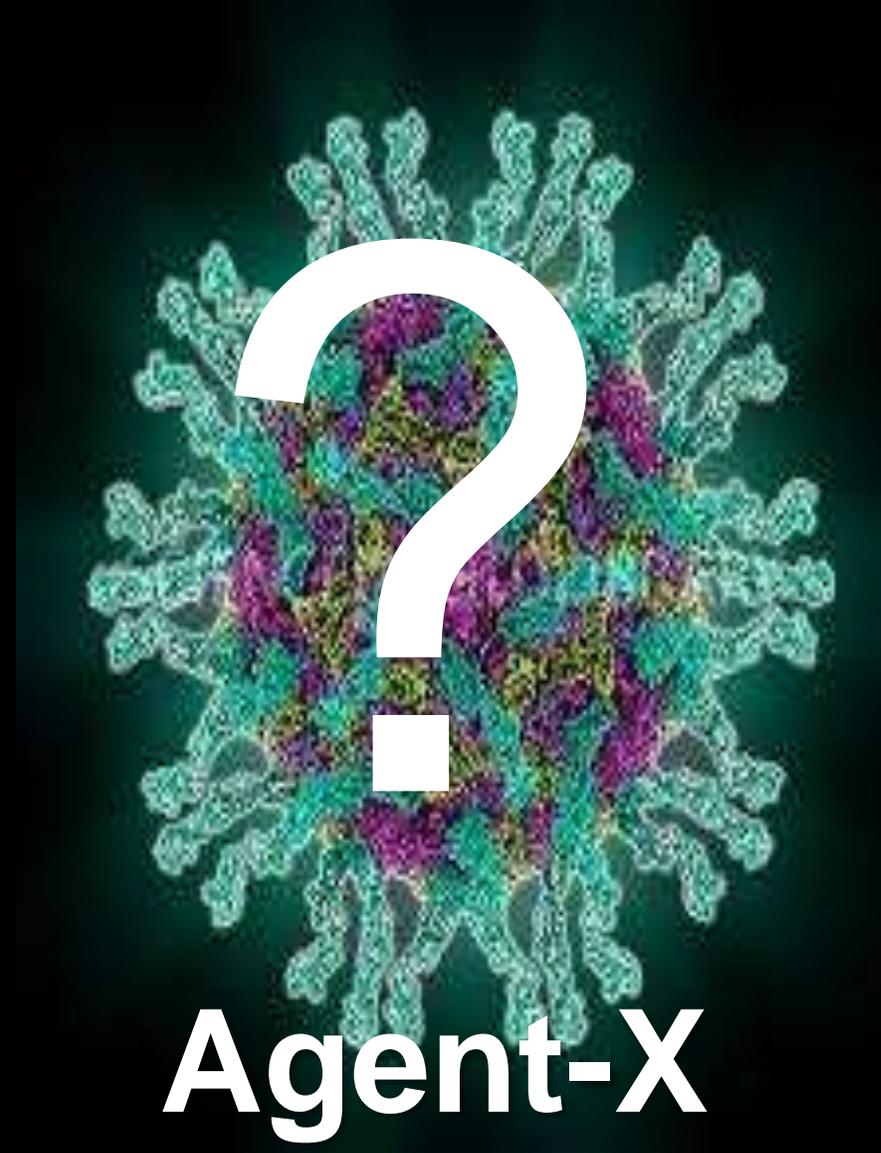
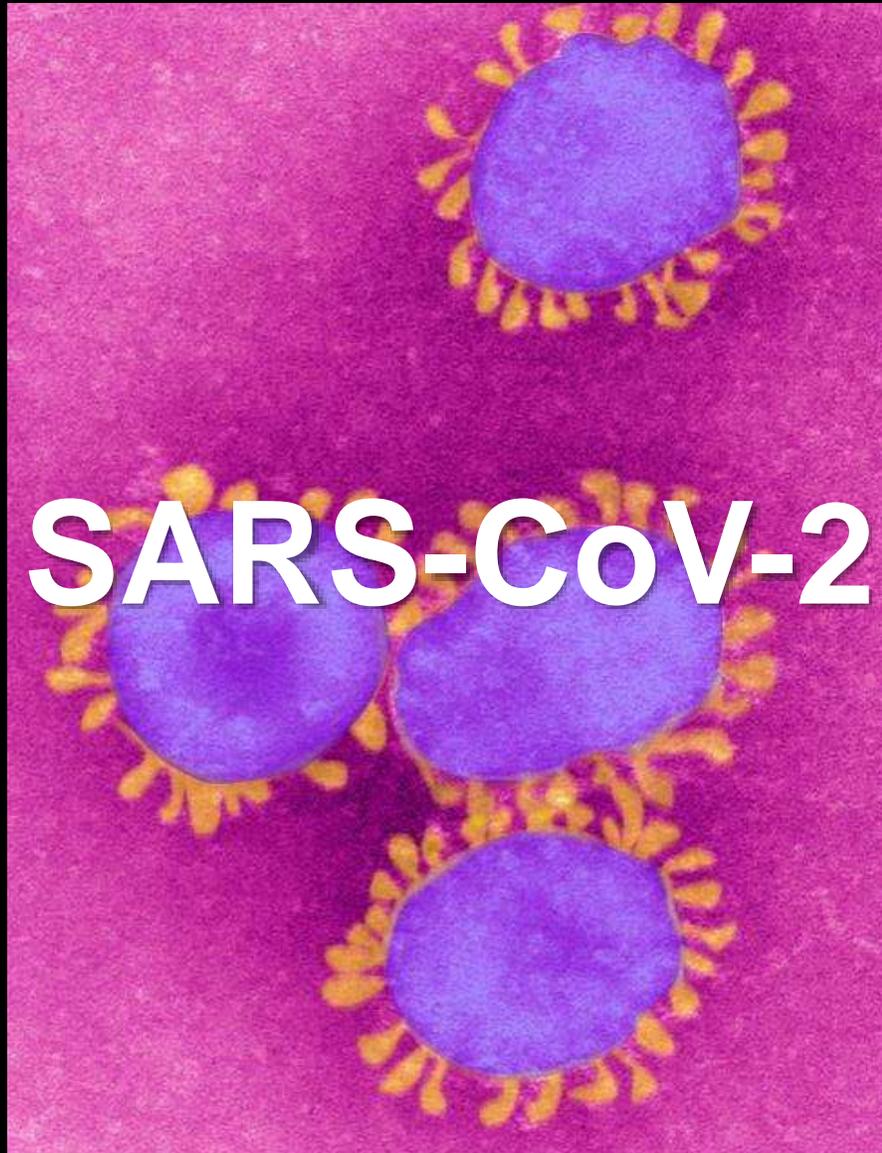
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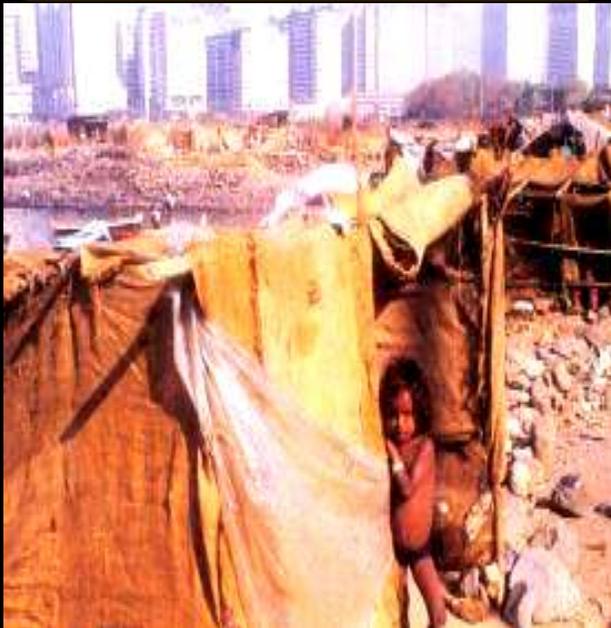
What's Out There?

Comprehensive Global Biosurveillance and Preparedness for Epidemic/Pandemic Threats



Urbanization and Mega-Cities in Developing Countries and the Increased Threat of Zoonotic EIDs

High Population Density With Inadequate Biosurveillance



Expanded Eco-niches and New Zoonotic Exposures/Risks



Major Gaps in Health Infrastructure and Rapid Disease Reporting



Food Production Systems and Changing Infectious Disease Risks in Low-and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs)

- **population growth, urbanization and consumer demand for meat-based diets**
- **intensification of livestock production**
 - **shift from rural smallholders to large periurban production units**
- **deforestation for livestock production expanded of encounters with zoonotic EID reservoir hosts**



Expansion of Intensive Livestock Farming Processes and Inter-species Transmission of Antibiotic Resistant Plasmids

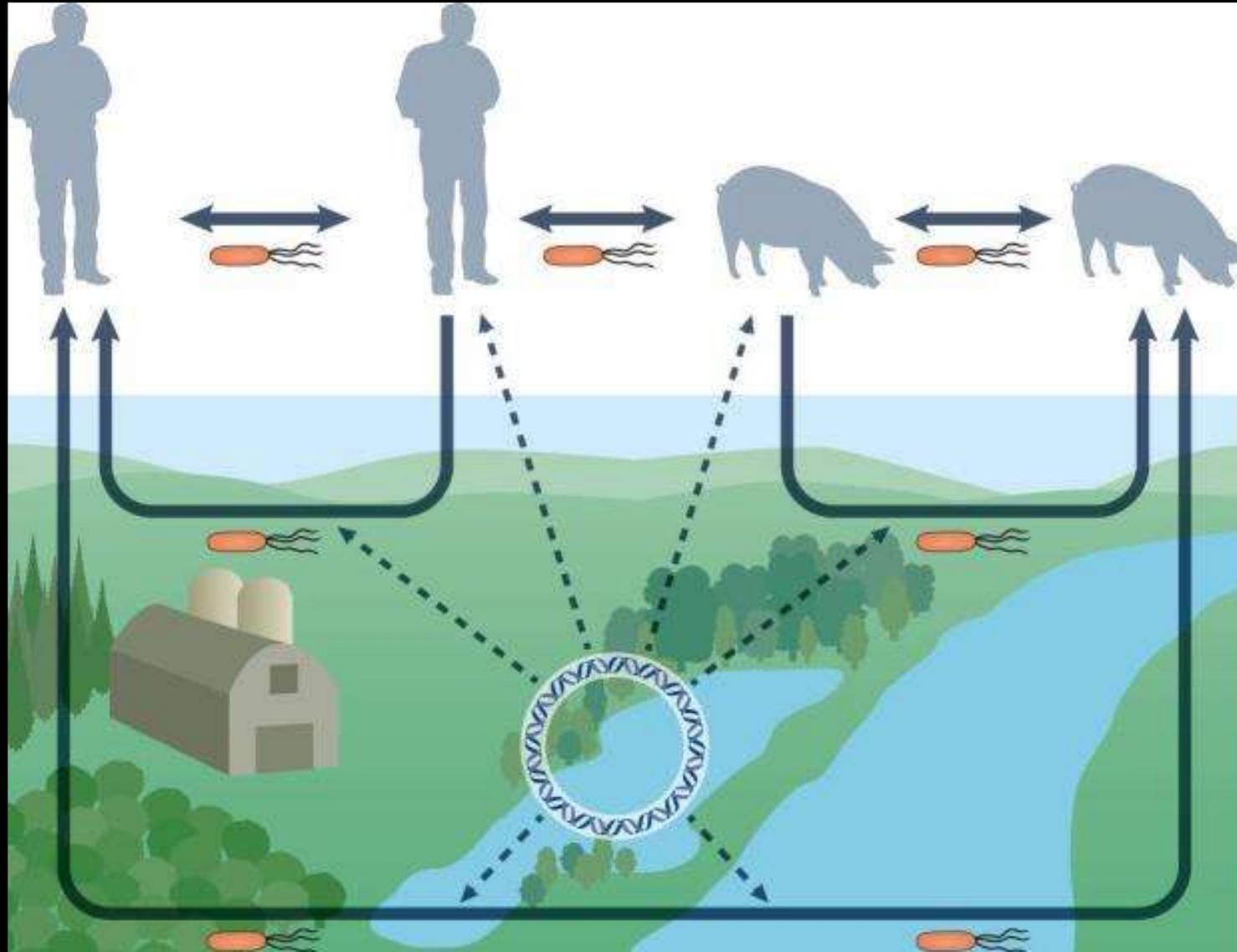


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**Fast Track Action Committee Report:
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National Science and Technology Council
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A REPORT FROM THE JOINT ARLU | AAVMC TASK FORCE
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ANTIBIOTIC STEWARDSHIP IN
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INTER-AGENCY REPORT



**Antimicrobial consumption
and resistance in bacteria
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Third joint inter-agency report on integrated analysis
of antimicrobial agent consumption and occurrence
of antimicrobial resistance in bacteria
from humans and food-producing animals in the EU/EEA

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**TACKLING DRUG-RESISTANT
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THE REVIEW ON
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**ANTIBACTERIAL AGENTS
IN CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT**

An analysis of the antibacterial clinical development pipeline,
including observations



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Antimicrobial resistance and sustainable development:
**A planetary threat
but a financing orphan**

Planet Earth is facing the most serious threat of 'locking up' antibiotic resistance genes in 'super bacteria' only to have them later on by a wide antibiotic which ultimately will affect all antibiotic resistance. It would require coordinated action across multiple sectors to health care and beyond. Further the current of the drug pipeline that will reduce resistance to drugs is severely constrained. We have clear evidence that antibiotic resistance is a global public health threat. In 2014, the WHO launched the Global Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance (GAP) to address antimicrobial resistance. However, the WHO's Strategic Plan for 2014-2019, which sets the global target to reduce antimicrobial resistance and have more drugs available, still needs to be addressed.

**WHO GUIDELINES ON
USE OF MEDICALLY
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IN FOOD-PRODUCING ANIMALS**



**SUMMARY
REPORT**

Establishing a Draft Framework for a Public-Private Partnership to
Support the Tracking of Antimicrobial Use in Food-Producing Animals

AUGUST 2023

**SUPPORTING
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STEWARDSHIP
IN VETERINARY
SETTINGS**

Goals for Fiscal Years 2024-2028:
Key Phase 3 and Phase 4 Actions

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**Vector-Borne & Zoonotic Disease:
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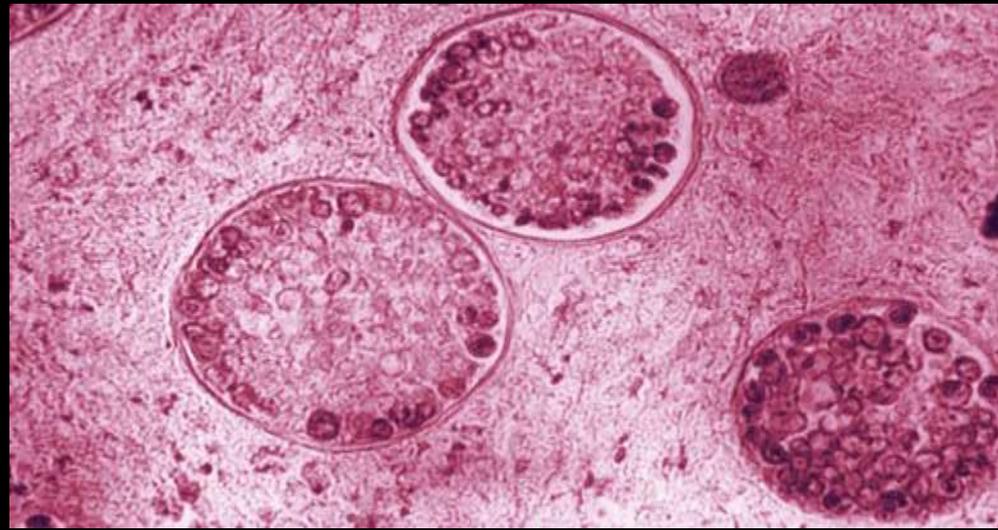
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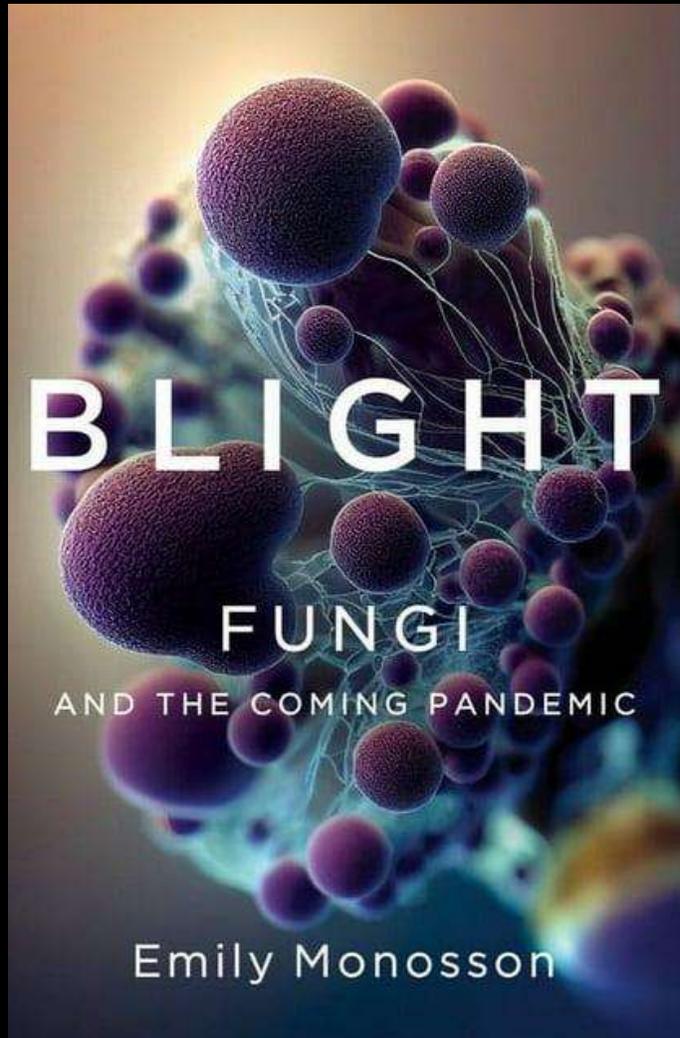


Vector Borne Diseases Projected to Increase in Southern Arizona and Maricopa County

- Chagas disease
- chikungunya
- dengue
- Ehrlichiosis
- Lyme disease
- malaria
- Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever
- St. Louis Encephalitis
- West Nile virus
- Yellow Fever
- Zika

Understanding Valley Fever: A Must for Dog Owners





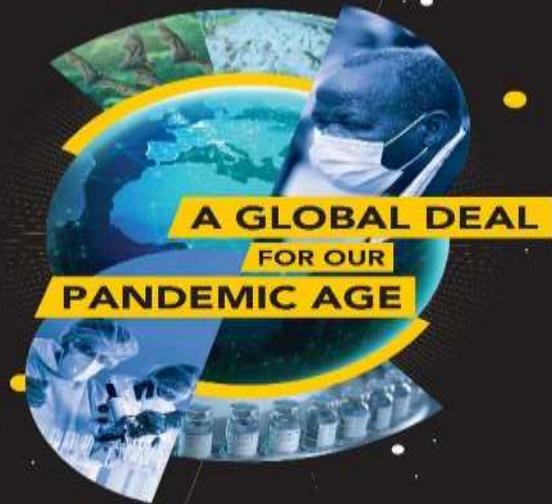
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Candida auris in Dog Ears

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Financing the
Global Campaign for
PANDEMIC
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REPORT OF THE
G20 HIGH LEVEL
INDEPENDENT
PANEL

THE NEW PANDEMIC FUND AIMS TO:

- *bring additional, dedicated resources*
- *incentivize countries to increase investments*
- *enhance coordination among partners*
- *serve as a platform for advocacy*



G20 PRESIDENCY OF INDONESIA

RECOVER TOGETHER
RECOVER STRONGER



- **renewed focus and funding to strengthen global public health is necessary but not sufficient**
- **without adoption of One Health as a core principle in global biosecurity then laudable aspirations for human and planetary health will be undermined by:**
 - **continued cycles of emergent novel zoonotic EIDs**
 - **increased infectious disease threats to agricultural livestock and crops**
 - **food insecurity and depletion of non-renewable natural resources and other ecosystem disruption and prospect of food and water shortages**
 - **increased risks of socio – cultural – economic instabilities as triggers of conflict**

Available information: <https://www.cdc.gov/nceizid/what-we-do/2021/achievements.html>

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NCEZID 2021 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Prioritizing Zoonotic Diseases for Multisectoral, One Health Collaboration in the United States

Workshop Summary

One Health

World Health Through Collaboration

PREVENTING THE NEXT PANDEMIC

Zoonotic diseases and how to break the chain of transmission

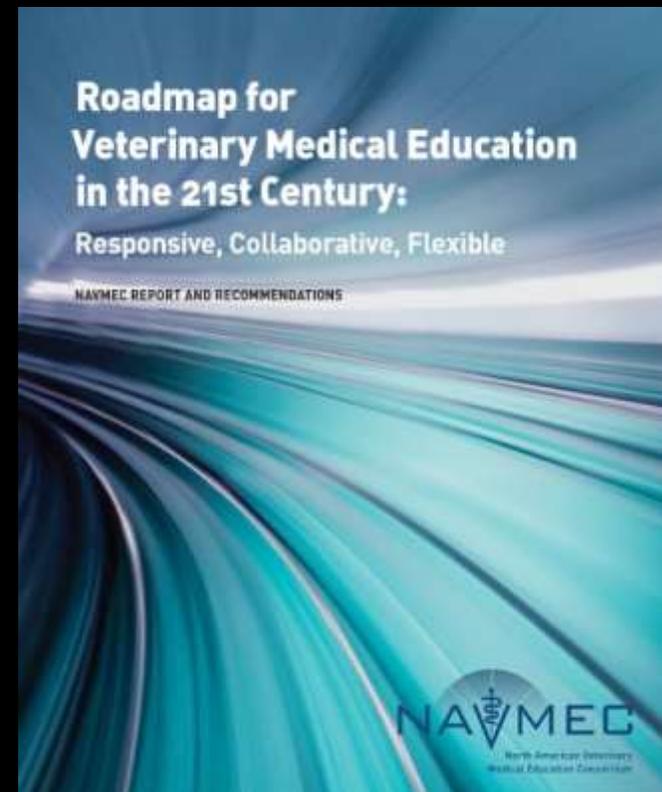
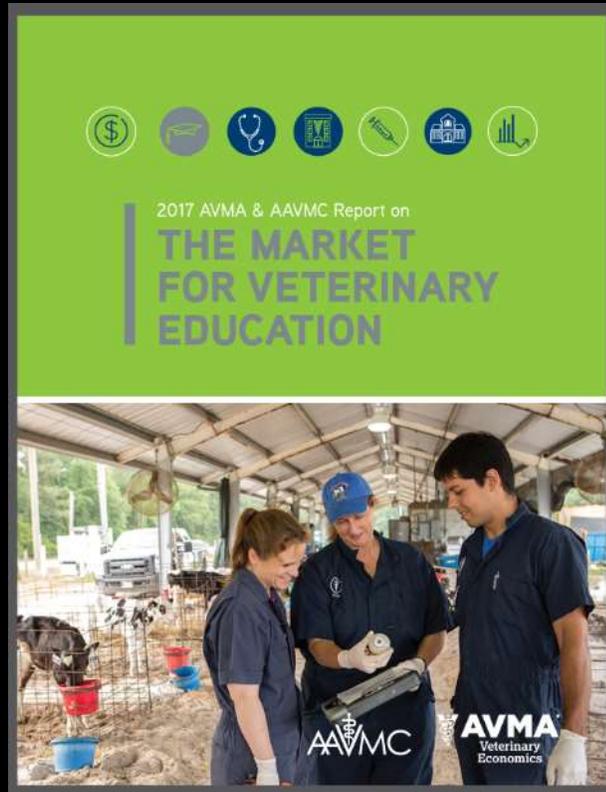
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ONE HEALTH JOINT PLAN OF ACTION (2022-2026)

WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE HEALTH OF HUMANS, ANIMALS, PLANTS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Precision Medicine and One Health: New Opportunities to Reverse the Historical Uncoupling of Human and Veterinary Medicine

- **consumer expectations for advances in companion animal care and assimilation of precision medicine technologies from human medicine into veterinary practice**
- **major opportunities to leverage canine clinical trials as preclinical models to de-risk the current unsustainable cost of failure of investigational drugs in human trials**
- **one health: strengthening inter-dependencies between sustainable human, animal and environmental systems as a core element in future global biosecurity**



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The Looming Shortage in Veterinary Professionals (August 2023)

- **2030**
 - **projected shortage of 24,000 companion-animal veterinarians**
 - **even larger shortfall in credentialed veterinary technicians**

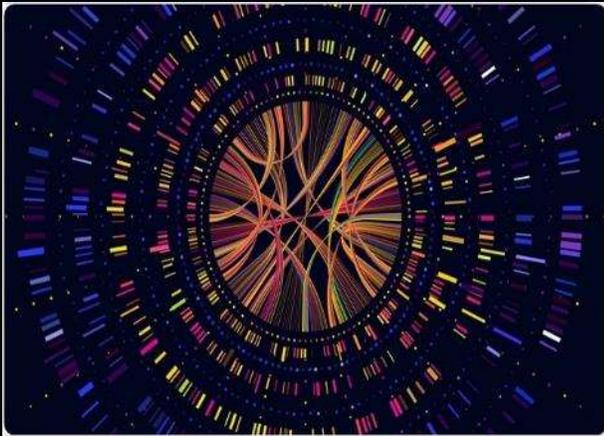
Precision Health and One Health: Technology Acceleration and Implications for Professional Training and Competencies

- **shared challenges between human and veterinary medicine**
- **contemporary curricula in both medical and veterinary schools not keeping pace with the breadth and complexity of technological innovation**
- **intensifying continuing education needs to sustain professional competencies**
- **burnout and concern over replacement of professional skills by automated ML/AI processes/decisions**

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- **additional challenges in veterinary education**
 - **looming shortage of trained professionals (and credentialed technicians)**
 - **demographic imbalance between companion animal and livestock practitioners**
 - **inadequate role models and incentives for non-clinical careers in biomedical research, biotechnology industry and global biosecurity**
 - **rising educational debt and declining ROI**

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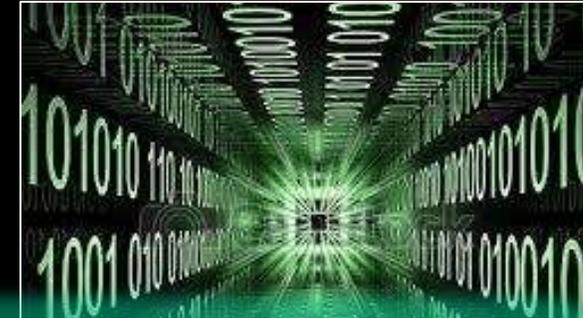
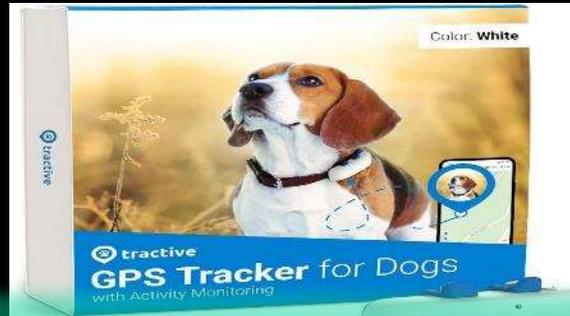


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