



Genetic Study of anti-EGFR Antibody Therapy Response in Colorectal Carcinoma

For genetic diagnosis use.

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Specimen type:	FFPE colon adenocarcinoma		

1. RESULTS

1.1. MOLECULAR TESTING

Predictive markers of treatment outcome with anti-EGFR antibody therapy (*KRAS*, *NRAS*):

Mutational status: **POSITIVE**

Analysed sample presents 1 mutation(s):

KRAS c.34G>T, p.Gly12Cys: This mutation is predicted to cause a lack of response to anti-EGFR antibody therapy.

Negative prognostic markers (*BRAF*):

Mutational status: **NEGATIVE**

No mutations were identified for these markers.

Emerging markers (*ERBB2*, *EGFR*, *KRAS*, *NRAS*, *PIK3CA*):

Mutational status: **NEGATIVE**

No mutations were identified for these markers.

1.2. GUIDELINE RECOMMENDATIONS

According to the guidelines from the European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO), in patients with metastatic colorectal carcinoma (mCRC) *RAS* mutations are negative predictive markers of anti-EGFR monoclonal antibody treatment outcome, whereas *BRAF* mutations are negative prognostic markers [1]. Hence, only patients with *RAS* wild-type mCRC should be under consideration for treatment with cetuximab and panitumumab [1]. The ESMO's Zurich treatment algorithm guides patient therapeutic management according to the *RAS* and *BRAF* mutational status [1]. Mutations in *PIK3CA*, exon 20, activating mutations in *ERBB2* and *EGFR* ectodomain mutations are all considered to be emerging biomarkers, and there is insufficient evidence to recommend their use for therapy selection outside of a clinical trial [1].

2. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

2.1. METHODOLOGY

1. A commercial kit was used to perform DNA extraction and purification from FFPE colon adenocarcinoma. DNA concentration and quality were evaluated with MultiskanGo spectrophotometer (Thermo Scientific).
2. The status of 171 mutations in 6 genes (OncoAlvo® Panel) was assessed using a high-throughput DNA Microchip platform, the iPLEX® system (Agena Bioscience, Inc). This array platform allows an optimal genetic analysis by combining the benefits of accurate primer extension chemistry with MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry. The different masses of each generated PCR product are then converted into mutational status information.
3. The iPLEX® system has an accuracy of 99%.

2.2. OncoAlvo PANEL

<i>BRAF</i>		B-Raf proto-oncogene, serine/threonine kinase ENST00000288602	<i>KRAS</i>		KRAS proto-oncogene, GTPase ENST00000311936
<i>EGFR</i>		epidermal growth factor receptor ENST00000275493	<i>NRAS</i>		neuroblastoma RAS viral oncogene homolog ENST00000369535
<i>ERBB2</i>		erb-b2 receptor tyrosine kinase 2 ENST00000269571	<i>PIK3CA</i>		phosphatidylinositol-4,5-bisphosphate 3-kinase catalytic subunit alpha NM_006218.1

2.3. RISKS AND LIMITATIONS

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3. APPENDIX

3.1. GENETIC INFORMATION

The results, described according to HGVS nomenclature (<http://www.hgvs.org>), are presented in the following table. No other genetic variants from HeartGenetics panel were identified, than those shown in the table.

Gene	COSMIC reference	Nucleotidic change ¹	Aminoacidic change	Allelic frequency ²
<i>KRAS</i>	COSM516	c.34G>T	p.Gly12Cys	57%

¹The numeric identification associated with each variant is indexed to a reference sequence obtained from COSMIC database (<http://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cosmic>).

²Allele frequency determined for analysed sample. This value does not necessarily reflect the allele frequency on the tumour itself.

3.2. EVIDENCES FOR MOLECULAR MARKERS

KRAS

KRAS is a proto-oncogene that encodes for a small GTPase protein, K-Ras, which relays signals from cell membrane EGFR, and other receptor tyrosine kinases, to the cell nucleus, controlling key processes such as cell proliferation, differentiation and survival [2]. Specific mutations in *KRAS* render the resulting protein constitutively activated, regardless of the EGFR status [2, 3]. For this reason, EGFR-targeted monoclonal antibodies cetuximab and panitumumab are ineffective against clones harbouring these *KRAS* activating mutations [4, 5, 6, 7, 8].

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