

# What are we Learning from ctDNA Pilots?

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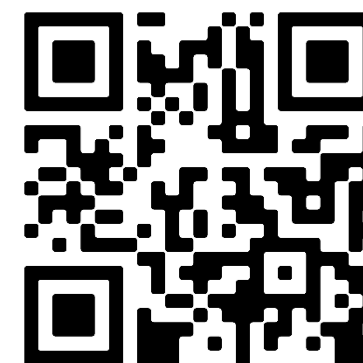


*"I had an appointment to see the oncologist He informed me that I had primary lung cancer. It was a terrible shock – I had never smoked. I knew very little about lung cancer. **I was told I couldn't start treatment until my tissue had undergone genetic testing.** I was informed that a molecular abnormality was more common in non-smokers and targeted treatments could really help. **But I couldn't have treatment until my genetic test results were back.***

***By now I was experiencing terrible back pain. I had an MRI for my back and brain and went on to have radiotherapy on my vertebrae.***

*I was called back to see the oncologist **4 weeks after my initial consultation** I was EGFR Positive (EXON 19). I could take a once-daily tablet (80mg Osimertinib) to control the disease. It wasn't curative but palliative."*

***Julie, Patient with lung cancer***



**SCAN ME**

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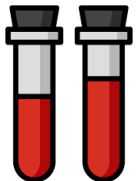


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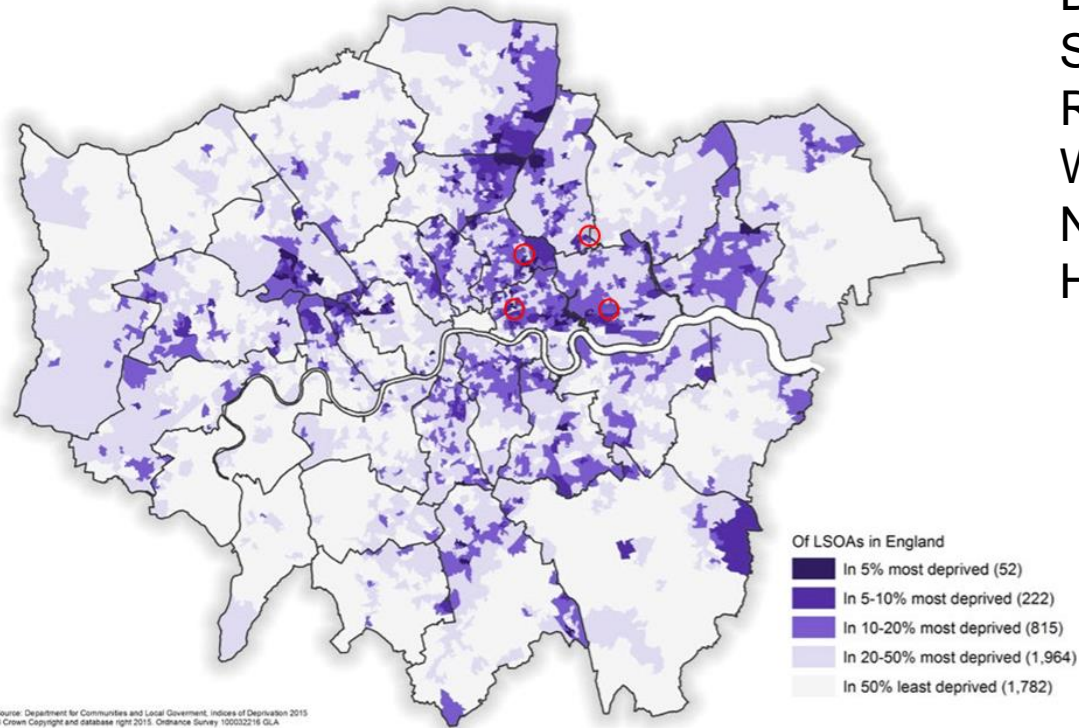
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# Barts Health NHS Trust



Source: GLA Intelligence Unit mapping of Indices of Deprivation 2015, DCLG

Diagnose and treat **>500 cases per year** across 5 sites:

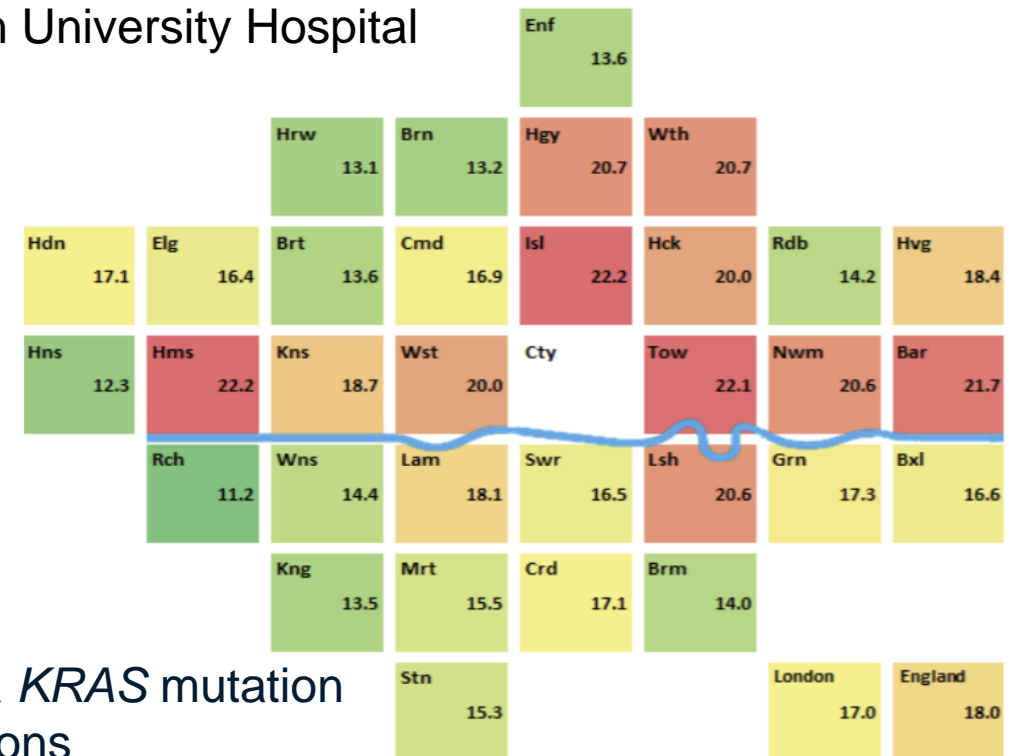
St Bartholomew's Hospital

Royal London Hospital

Whipps Cross University Hospital

Newham University Hospital

Homerton University Hospital



2016 - 2022:

37.5% of patients have a *KRAS* mutation

18.9% had *EGFR* mutations

Source: Integrated Household Survey, analysed by Public Health England.

# Local Data – A snapshot

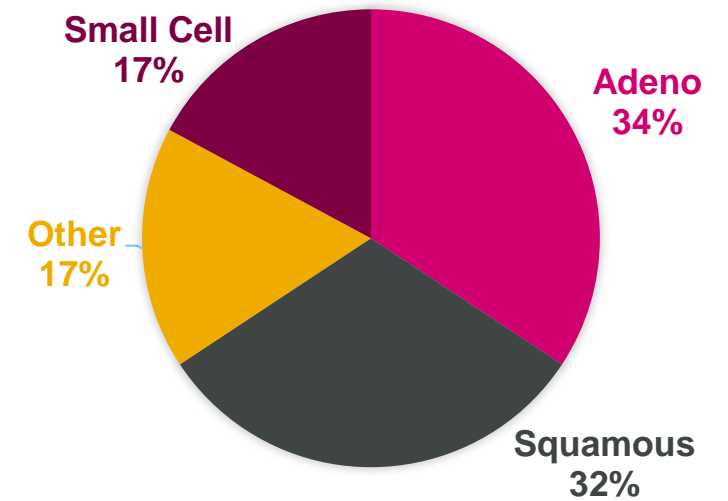
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Participants with ctDNA samples

34

Patients with pathological diagnosis of lung cancer (2 benign, 2 other cancers)

Demographics	
Female	23 (49%)
Median Age	64 (26 - 92)
Performance Status	
PS 0	13 (28%)
PS 1	20 (43%)
PS >= 2	9 (19%)
Unknown	5 (11%)
Stage	
Stage 3	8 (17%)
Stage 4	39 (83%)
Smoking Status	
Never Smokers	8 (17%)
Smoker	27 (57%)
Unkonwn	12 (26%)



78%

Had an informative sample

12%

Cases (3/34) identified additional genomic information ( 1 x METex14 and 1 x METamp in SqCC and 2 x where insufficient material)

24%

Cases (8/34) molecular results were expedited through ctDNA



# Local Data – A snapshot

8 cases of targetable :

*EGFR L858R*  
*EGFR Ex19del*  
*EGFR G719A*  
*EGFR Ex20ins*  
*ERBB2 Ex20ins*  
*KRAS G12C x 2*  
*MET ex14*



Respiratory Review  
Imaging likely metastatic lung cancer

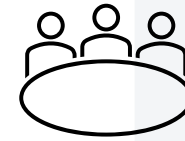
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Pathologist confirms **Lung Cancer**

MDT reviews results

Oncology Review  
Treatment plan once biomarkers available



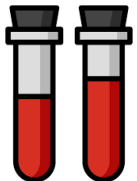
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**Molecular Biomarker Results (days from CT)**

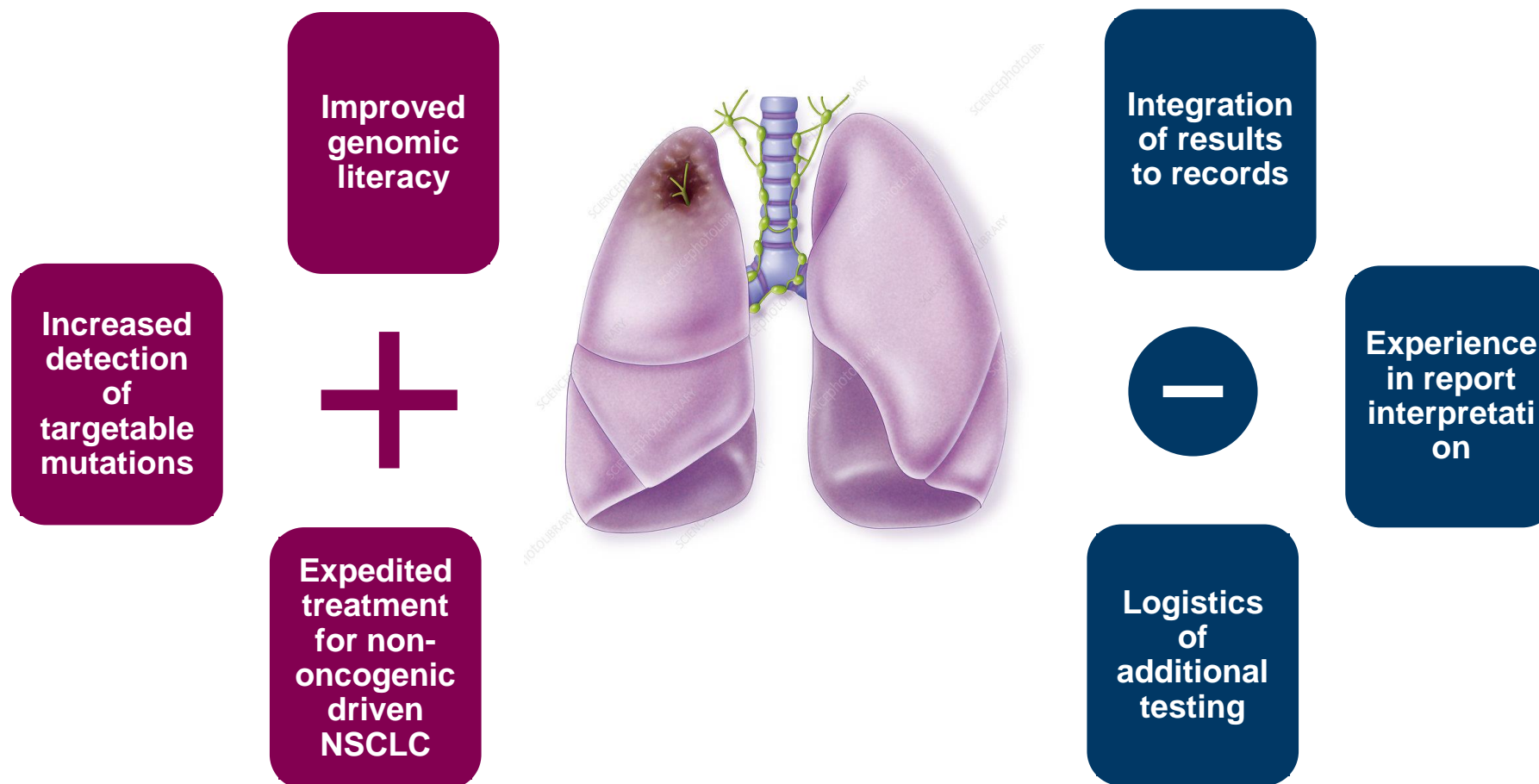


Tissue  
ct DNA

Median 64 days (Range 32 – 81 days)  
Median 29 days (range 7 – 52 days)



# What are we learning?



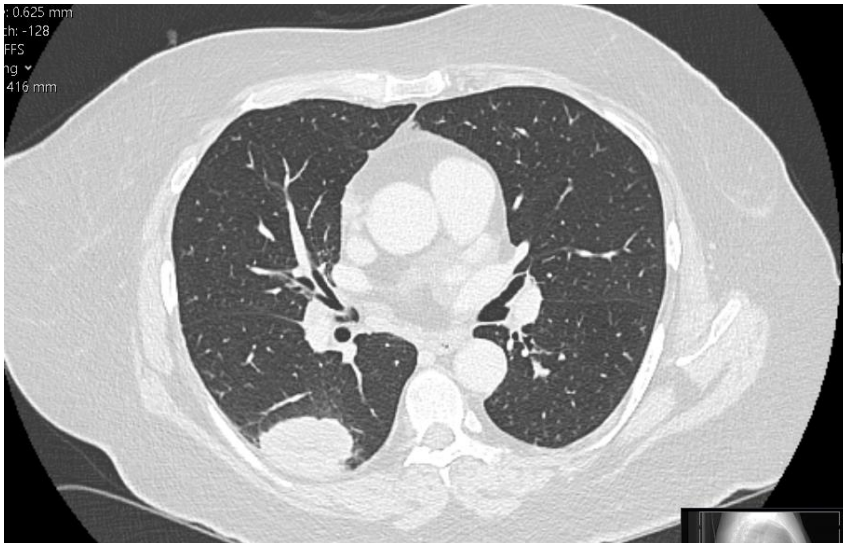
\*NHSE forms changed to allow access with cfDNA result



# 67-Y-F: Px: Persistent cough

**T2b N3 M1c adenocarcinoma of the lung**  
PDL1 2%, EGFR/ALK wild type

Ex-smoker (15 yrs)  
PS 1  
PMx: Depression,  
Osteoarthritis



BEFORE CHEMO-IO

**D0: CT demonstrated metastatic cancer**

**+D8: ctDNA sent**

**+D16: ctDNA report – *KRAS* G12D**

**+ D35: EBUS**

**+ D47: Pathological diagnosis of adenocarcinoma**

**+ D59: Started 1<sup>st</sup> line Pemetrexed / Pembrolizumab / Carboplatin**

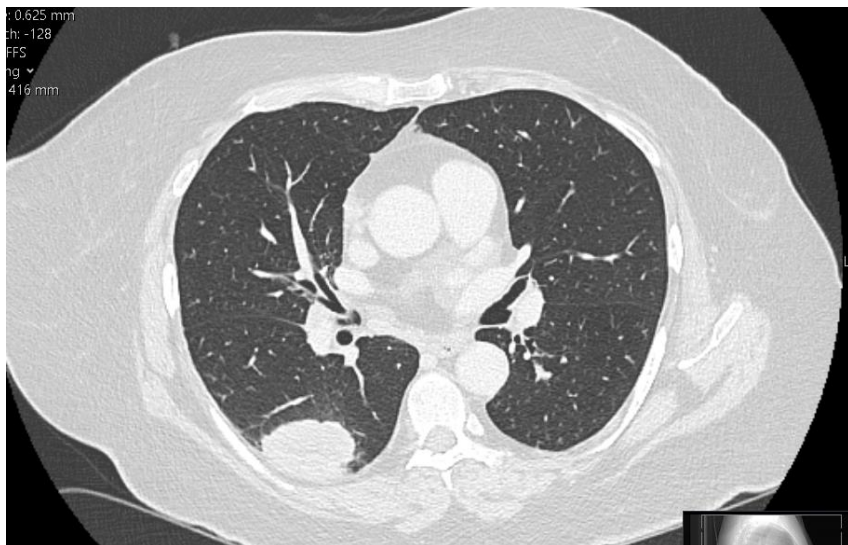
**+ D70: Tissue molecular biomarker report**



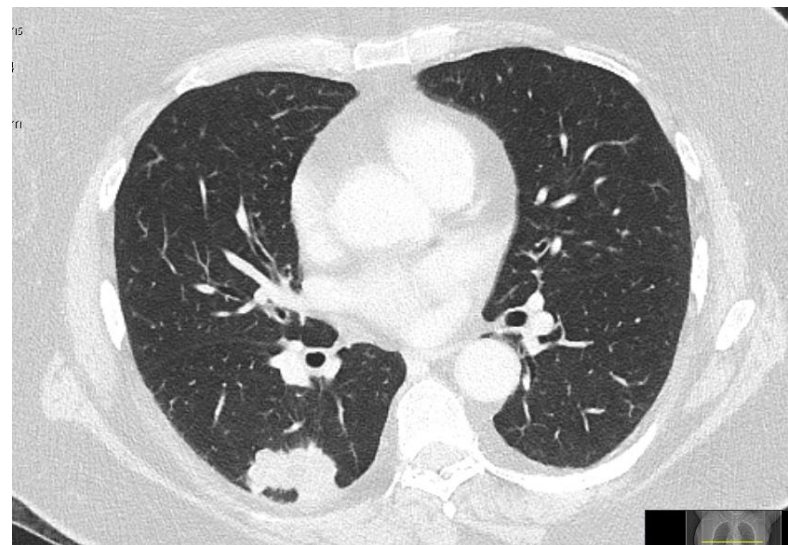
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*After 4 cycles*





# Summary and Conclusions

- Local level data suggests improvements in patient pathways and experience
- There are broader benefits outside the immediate pathway
- Important logistic and organisational considerations to maximise benefits of the ctDNA pilots
- Formal health economic review yet to be completed

# Questions and Discussion

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