# Pharmacogenetics Update

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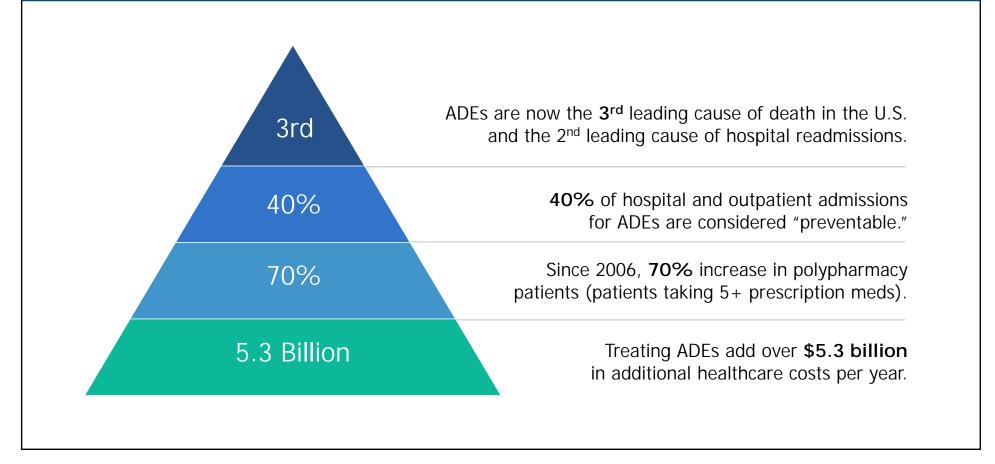
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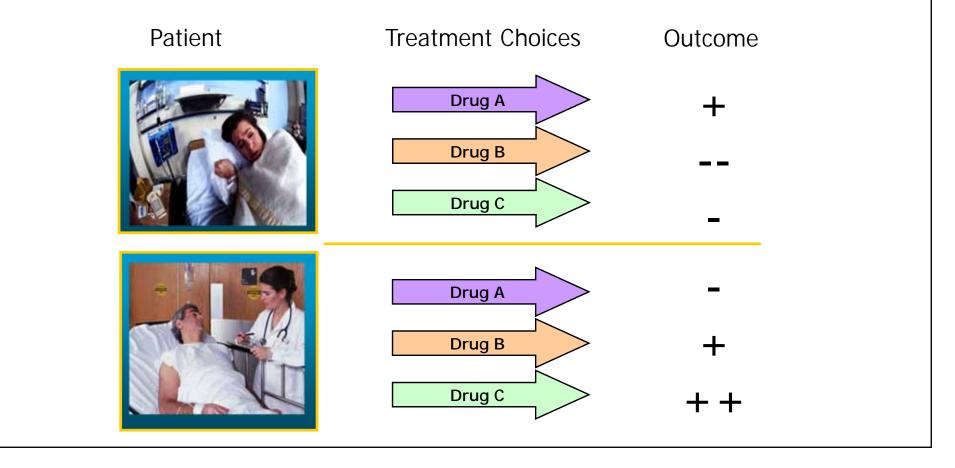




#### Adverse Drug Events (ADE) Are a Serious Problem



### Patients With Identical Clinical Presentations Can Respond Differently to Drugs



# The Lack of Evidence-Based Tools to Guide Therapeutic Decisions Contributes to Poor Treatment Outcomes

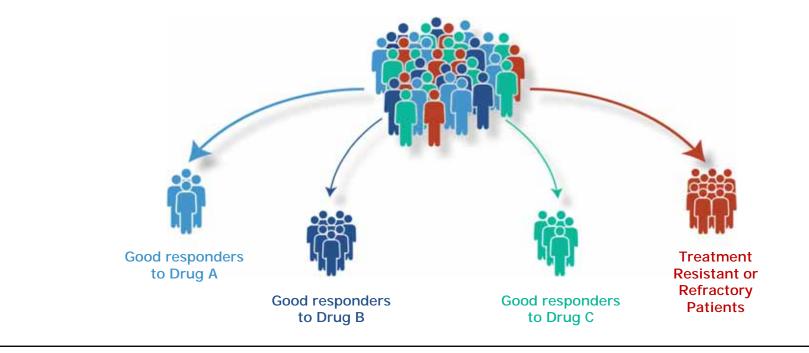


# What Is Pharmacogenetic Testing?

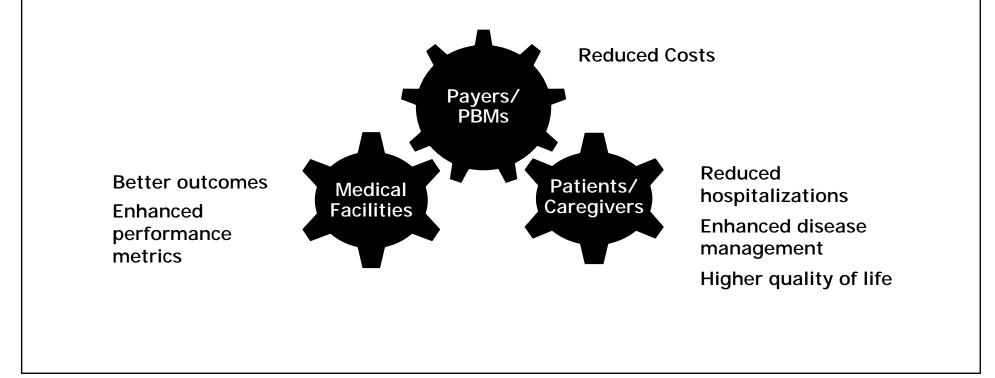
- Pharmacogenetics (PGx) is the science of how a person's individual genetics affect individual responses to drugs, both in terms of therapeutic effect as well as adverse effects.
- PGx involves analyzing a person's DNA for genetic programming of specific proteins involved in drug response, looking for mutations that impair protein function.
- PGx can identify the specific medications that are best for an individual patient based on their DNA makeup.

#### Personalized Medicine: One Size Does Not Fit All

• Pharmacogenetics is the basis for personalized medicine. In the example below, you can see how pharmacogenetic testing works within a grouping of people who would all generally be prescribed the same drug.



# Personalized Medicine Creates Value Through Alignment of Stakeholder Objectives



# **Genes and Proteins**

- Genes are made of DNA and function as the molecular unit of heredity.
  - Each gene codes for a specific protein.
  - Four nucleotides make up the "alphabet" of the DNA "coding language"
    - Adenine, Thymine, Cytosine and Guanine (A, T, C, and G)

# **Genes and Proteins**

- Proteins are large, complex "action" molecules that impact our physiology.
  - Proteins perform a vast array of biological functions including:
    - Catalyzing metabolic reactions
    - DNA replication
    - Response to stimuli
    - And transporting molecules from one location in the body to another.

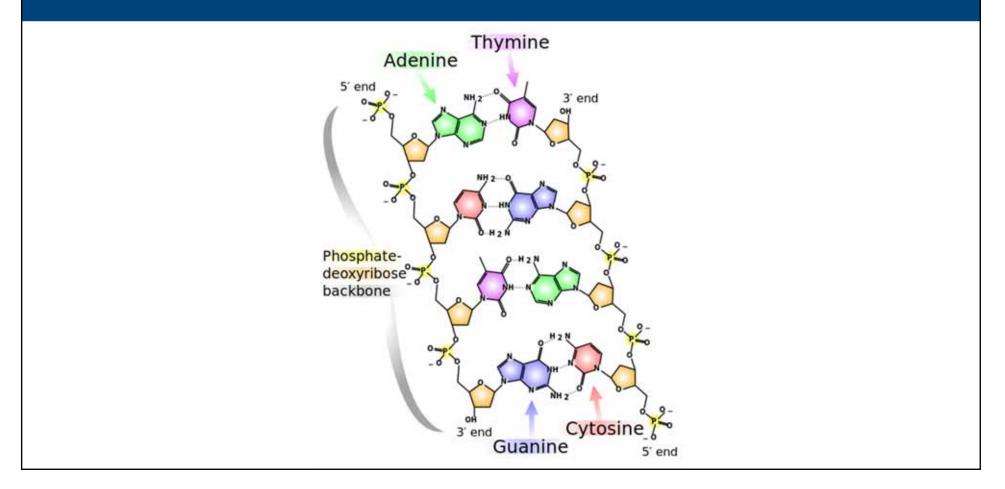
# **Genes and Proteins**

- Some gene variants result in changes to the protein, for which it codes, that impact the protein's function, how much of the protein you produce, or whether you produce the protein at all.
- These inherited changes in protein function can have a dramatic impact on biological function, and in the case of pharmacogenetics, how we respond to medicines.

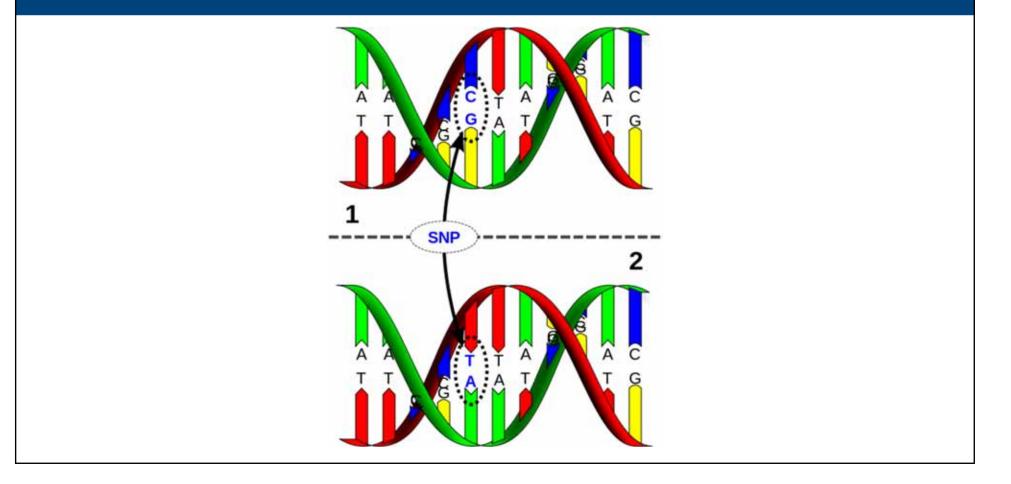
# **Basic Genetic Concepts**

- Alleles—Alternative forms of the same gene.
- **Genotype**—Set of alleles that determines the expression of a particular characteristic or trait.
- **Phenotype**—Composite of an organism's observable characteristics resulting from the expression of an organism's genes as well as the influence of environmental factors and the interactions between the two.
- Single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP)—A DNA sequence variation occurring when a single nucleotide— A, T, C or G—in a gene (or other shared sequence) differs between members of a biological species or paired chromosomes in a human.

# Structure of DNA



# Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP)



# What Pharmacogenomic Tools Are Currently Available to Healthcare Professionals?

- Response Markers—Genetic markers that indicate an innate propensity to a response related to the drug's mechanism of action or distribution.
- Metabolic Markers—Genetic markers that indicate an alteration in the innate ability to metabolize particular drugs via particular metabolic enzymes resulting in altered pharmacokinetics

# Pharmacogenetic Response Markers

- OPRM1—Determines effectiveness of opiate analgesics.
- SLC6A4—Differential antidepressant response.
- BDNF—Differential antidepressant response.
- MTHFR—Affects the ability to convert dietary folate into its active form, methyl-folate.

# Pharmacogenetic Response Markers

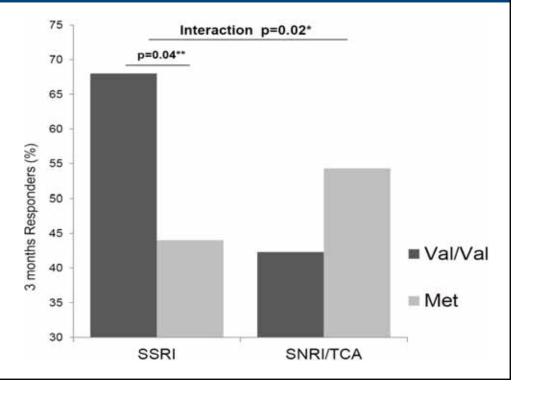
- SULT4A1—Affects the safety and efficacy of olanzapine.
- VKORC1—Affects sensitivity to warfarin.
- SLCO1B1—Affects the safety and efficacy of statins.

## The BDNF Val66met Polymorphism Predicts Differential Response to SSRIs Versus SNRIs/TCAs

- Val/Val genotype is associated with 3-fold increased responder rate to SSRIs versus Val/Met or Met/Met (68.1% versus 44%; adjusted-OR: 3.04, IC95% [1.05; 9.37], p=0.04).
- Met carriers respond better to SNRIs or TCAs as compared to Val/Val (33.3% versus 60.9%, adjusted-OR: 0.27, IC95% [0.09; 0.76], p=0.02).

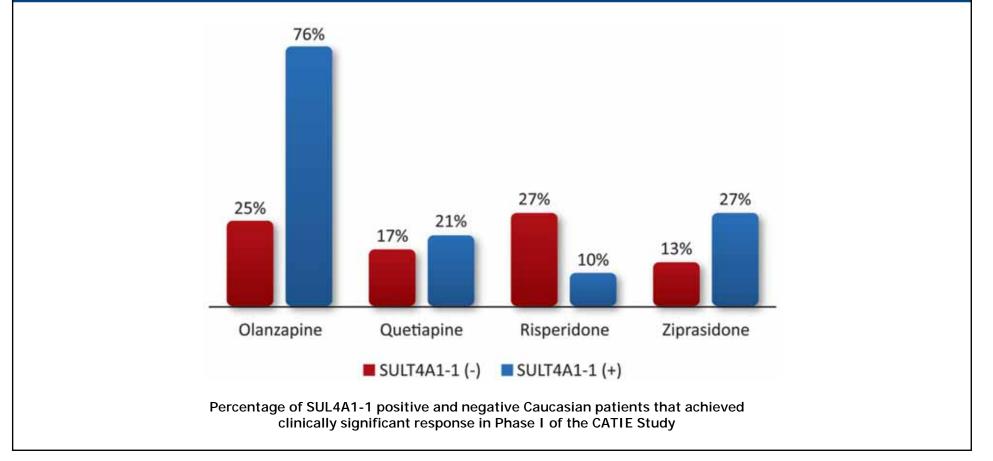
#### Colle et al. 2015 J Affect Disord.175:233-40

Responders: decrease in the Hamilton Depression Rating Scale score of at least 50% from baseline to 3 months; SSRI: Serotonin Selective Reuptake Inhibitor; SNRI/TCA: Serotonin and Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitor and tricyclic antidepressants; \* : p<0.05 in multivariate model adjusted for propensity-score deciles; \*\*:p<0.05 in multivariate model adjusted for age and drug naives

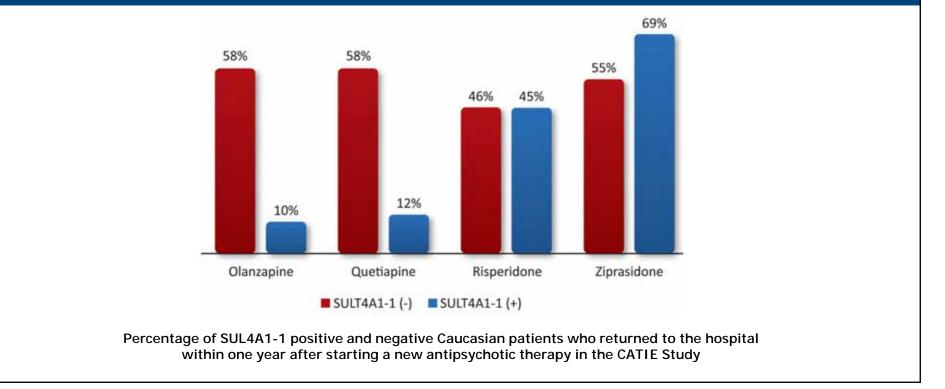


Interaction of BDNF Val66Met polymorphism and antidepressant classes (SSRI versus SNRI/TCA) on responder rates 3 months post-treatment.

#### SULT4A1 Status Impacts Response to Olanzapine



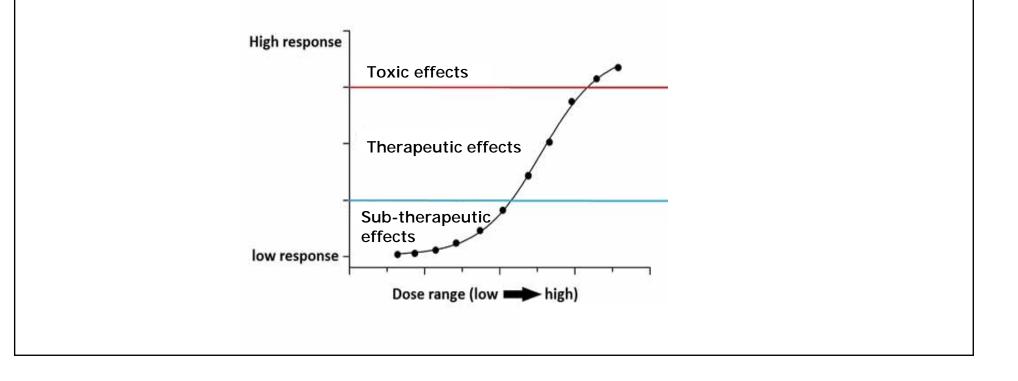
#### Treating SULT4A1-1 Positive Patients With Olanzapine or Quetiapine Reduced the Risk of Hospitalization by Over 80% in the CATIE Study



#### General Principles of Pharmacology— The Dose-Response Relationship

- Drug exposure determines the response or impact of the drug (and its metabolites) for/on the person taking it.
- The greater the exposure or dose, the greater the response.
- Well-accepted and proven laws of therapeutics.

# Dose Relationship Between Blood Concentrations of Drug and Efficacy and Toxicity (Single-Dose)



# Pharmacogenetic Metabolic Markers

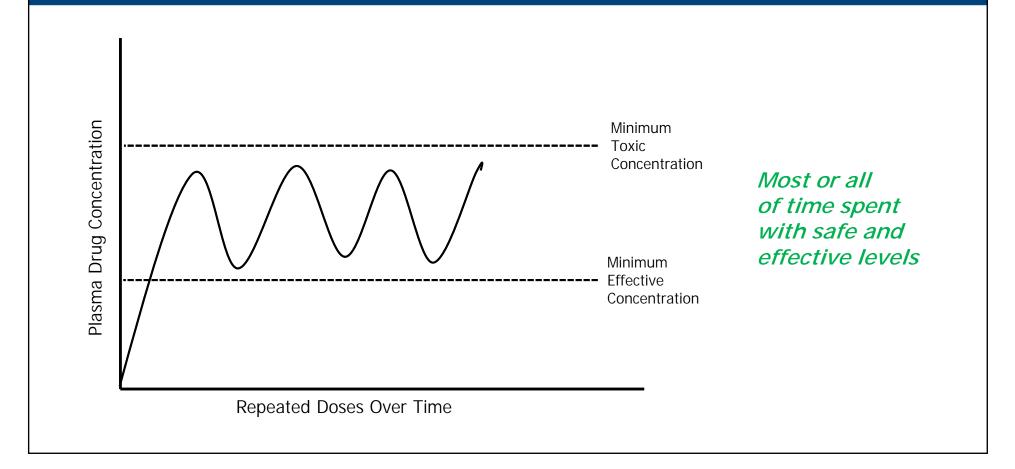
- Cytochrome P450 Hepatic Isozymes
  - Modify drugs so that they are polar and can be eliminated by the kidneys (e.g., hydroxylation).
- CYP isozymes that are important in the metabolism and elimination of commonly prescribed drugs include CYP2D6, CYP2C9, CYP2C19, CYP3A4, CYP3A5, CYP2B6 and CYP1A2.

#### Metabolizer Phenotypes and Rates of Drug Metabolism

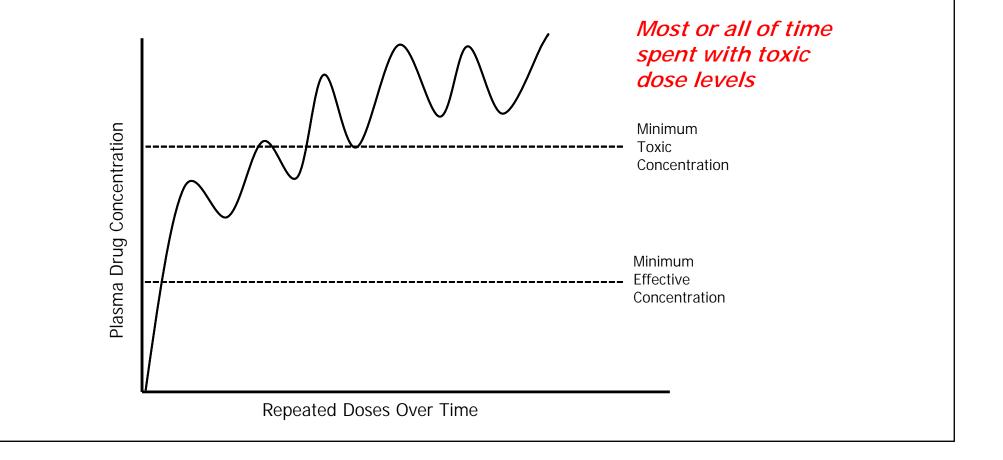
 Variation in the metabolic genes CYP2D6, CYP2C9, CYP2C19, CYP3A4/5, CYP2B6, and CYP1A2 can lead to higher or lower concentrations of drugs. Since recommended dosing assumes normal metabolism, individuals with genetic variants that impact drug metabolism may require dose adjustments or, in some cases, should avoid drugs impacted by genetic variants.



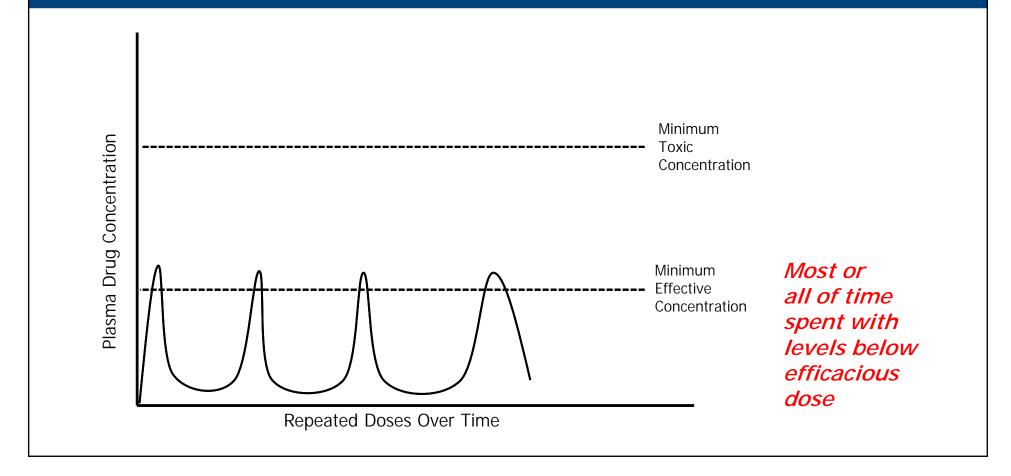
# Normal Metabolism of Drug



# **Poor Metabolism of Drug**



# **Ultra Rapid Metabolism of Drug**

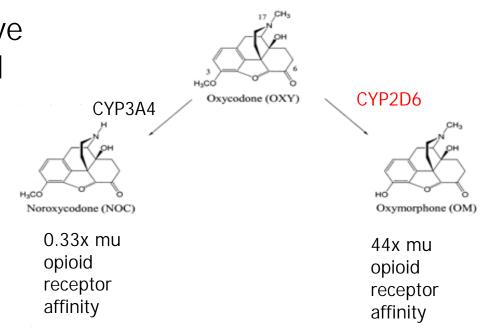


# Genetic-Based Alterations in Drug Metabolism Are *Very* Common

Gene	Extensive Metabolizer (NORMAL)	Intermediate Netabolizer (lmpaired)	Poor Metabolizer (Elevated Risk)	Ultra-rapid Metabolizer (Elevated Risk)
2D6	53%	35%	10%	2%
2C19	36%	32%	4%	28%
2C9	57%	40%	3%	NA
3A4	87%	12%	1%	NA

#### Codone Oral Opiates and CYP2D6 Metabolism

 If CYP2D6 function is impaired, oxycodone is not converted to its active metabolite but is instead converted by CYP3A4/5 into an inactive metabolite.



### Real-World Case of Metabolism-Induced Opioid Intoxication

- 62-year-old male with CLL and pneumonia treated with clarithromycin, voriconazole and codeine for cough (25 mg 3x/day)
- Coma and respiratory failure on day 4 requiring ventilation and ICU transfer
  - Resolution after naloxone

Codeine Norcodeine UG7287 Codeine-6-glucuronide Codeine-6-glucuronide UG7287 UG71A1 Morphine-3-glucuronide UG7287 Morphine

• (CYP3A inhibition by clarithromycin and voriconazole)

CYP3A phenotype: PM

• Morphine values in blood **20-80-fold** higher than expected

CYP2D6 phenotype: UM

• Acute renal failure -> accumulation of morphine active metabolites

Gasche Y. et al NEJM 2004, 351: 2827-31

# Codeine and CYP2D6 Toxicity

Case	Indication	Codeine Dose	Toxicity
Breastfed Newborn (13 days)	Episiotomy pain (mother)	2x30mg then 2x15 mg	Death
Breastfed Newborn	Severe muscle pain	120 mg/day	Mother: sedation, nausea, dizzy; Child: drowsy, poor feeding
Child (2 years)	Tonsillectomy	10-12.5mg, q 4-6 h	Death
Child (29 months)	Tonsillectomy	1.75mg/kg	Apnea, unresponsiveness
Child (3 years)	Tonsillectomy	15mg, q 4-6 h	Severe respiratory depression
Child (4 years)	Adenotonsillectomy	8mg, q 5 h	Death
Child (5 years)	Adenotonsillectomy	12mg, q 4 h	Death
Male (33 years)	Dental pain	60mg	Euphoria, dizzy, blurred vision, epigastric pain

### Published Clinical Results— Utilizing PGx Guidance

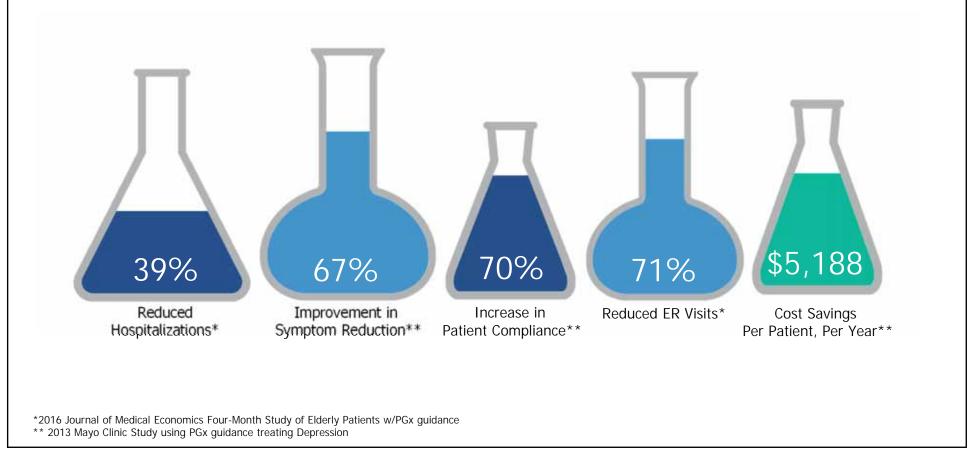
- Multiple published studies have reported:
  - Reducing depression and other symptoms;
  - Decreasing time to symptom relief;
  - Increasing patient compliance to therapeutic regimen, and satisfaction with medications.

#### PGx Improves Treatment Outcomes in Depression

- A study of 165 subjects diagnosed with major depressive disorder compared 8 weeks of treatment with PGx testing vs. unguided treatment as usual (TAU).
  - Clinical decisions guided by PGx testing improved time to depression symptom relief;
  - Medications identified as genetically optimal were prescribed to patients;
  - A four-fold greater improvement in patients' depression symptoms at week 8 was observed;
  - Positive physician-patient relationship as well as feedback from physician on use of PGx testing.

Hall-Flavin et al., Utility of integrated pharmacogenomic testing to support the treatment of major depressive disorder in a psychiatric outpatient setting. Pharmacogenetics and Genomics 23(10):535-48 · October 2013

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#### PGx Improves Treatment Outcomes in Depression

 A randomized, blinded controlled trial of 49 subjects with a primary diagnosis of major depressive disorder. The study compared 10 weeks of treatment guided by PGx testing with unguided Treatment as Usual (TAU). They found that:

One	Two	Three	Four
When physician decisions regarding medication changes were guided by PGx testing, the likelihood of response and remission was more than double the TAU group.	PGx testing predicted which patients were likely to have poor depression outcomes.	Patients who had previously been prescribed medications identified as genetically sub- optimal had almost no improvement in depressive symptoms.	Patients who switched from a red category medication to a green bin experienced a 33.1% improvement in symptoms.

Winner et al., A prospective, randomized double-blind study assessing the clinical impact of integrated pharmacogenomic testing for major depressive disorder. Discovery Medicine 2013;16(89): 219-227

#### Pharmacogenetic Guidance in Perioperative Medicine

 In a study of 63 consecutive patients undergoing open or laparoscopic colorectal and major ventral hernia surgery utilizing PGx guidance for inter-operative and post-surgical analgesia were compared to 47 patients from the hospital's historical population resulting in:



Narcotic modifications of the ERP analgesic program in 80% of patients.



Modifications in 56% of patients with respect to NSAID selection.



These modifications resulted in excellent analgesia with a **50% reduction** in narcotic consumption, and a reduced incidence of analgesic related side effects compared to our standard ERP.

Senagorea et al., Pharmacogenetics-guided analgesics in major abdominal surgery: Further benefits within an enhanced recovery protocol. The American Journal of Surgery 213 (2017) 467e472.

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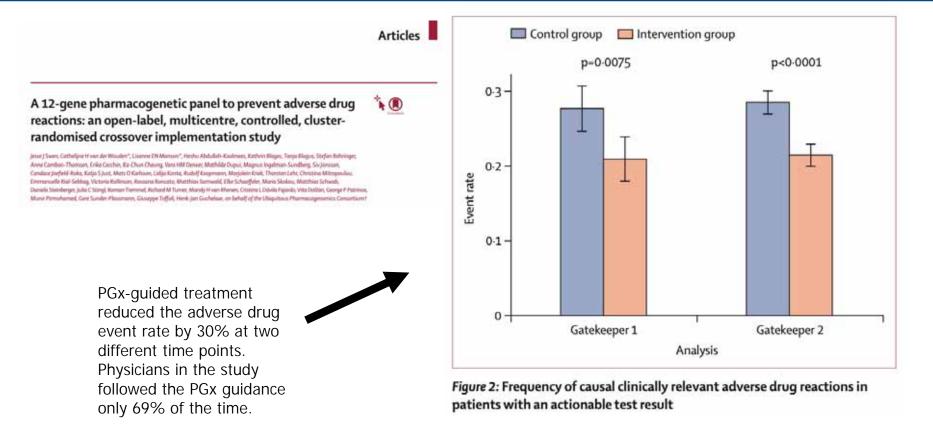
#### Perioperative Risk and Opioid Management Program

In a signature group, utilizing Perioperative Protocol with molecular screening and genetic guidance documented the following 24-month results on 324 patients:

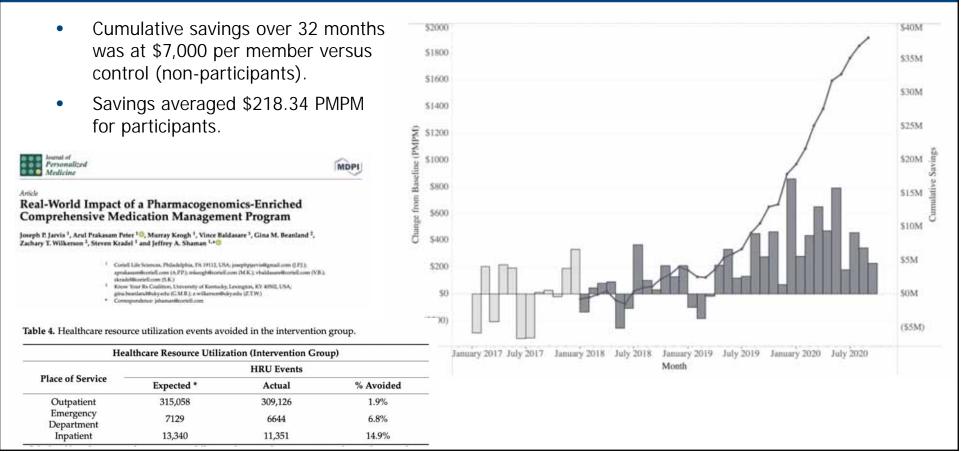
	WITH Protocol Guidance	WITHOUT Protocol Guidance	Difference
Total Cost	\$17,800.00	23,900.00	+\$6,100.00
90 Day Readmission Rate	1.9%	10.3%	+8.4%
Patient Satisfaction Score	80%	71%	-9%

Reduction in Opioid Prescriptions: 52% Patients Who Received NO Prescription Opioids: 17% Average Patient Received (6) Days of Prescription Opioids

#### Multigene PGx Panel Reduced Adverse Drug Events in a 6,944-Patient Study



#### KY Teacher's Study Shows Large Impact on Outcomes and Costs



#### Realizing the Promise of PGx in Clinical Practice

- The greatest utility of PGx is in prospective drug selection
- The more relevant genes tested, the more information the physician has to make an optimal drug selection
  - One gene, one drug doesn't provide adequate guidance
  - Combinatorial PGx enables the clinical integration of multiple genes into drug selection
- Enforce compliance with PGx results

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# Thank You

We are in a new era of the life sciences...but in no area of research is the promise greater than in the field of personalized medicine."

> Senator Edward M. Kennedy Remarks on the Senate's Consideration of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act, April 24, 2008