

# **Testing of CYP 450 in oncology treatment – one example**

## **Tamoxifen / Aromatase inhibitors**

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# Pharmacogenetics vs. Pharmacogenomics

## Pharmacogenetics

1. Study or clinical testing of genetic variation
2. Gives rise to differing response to drugs

## Pharmacogenomics

1. Broader application of genomic technologies to new drug discovery
2. Further characterization of older drugs

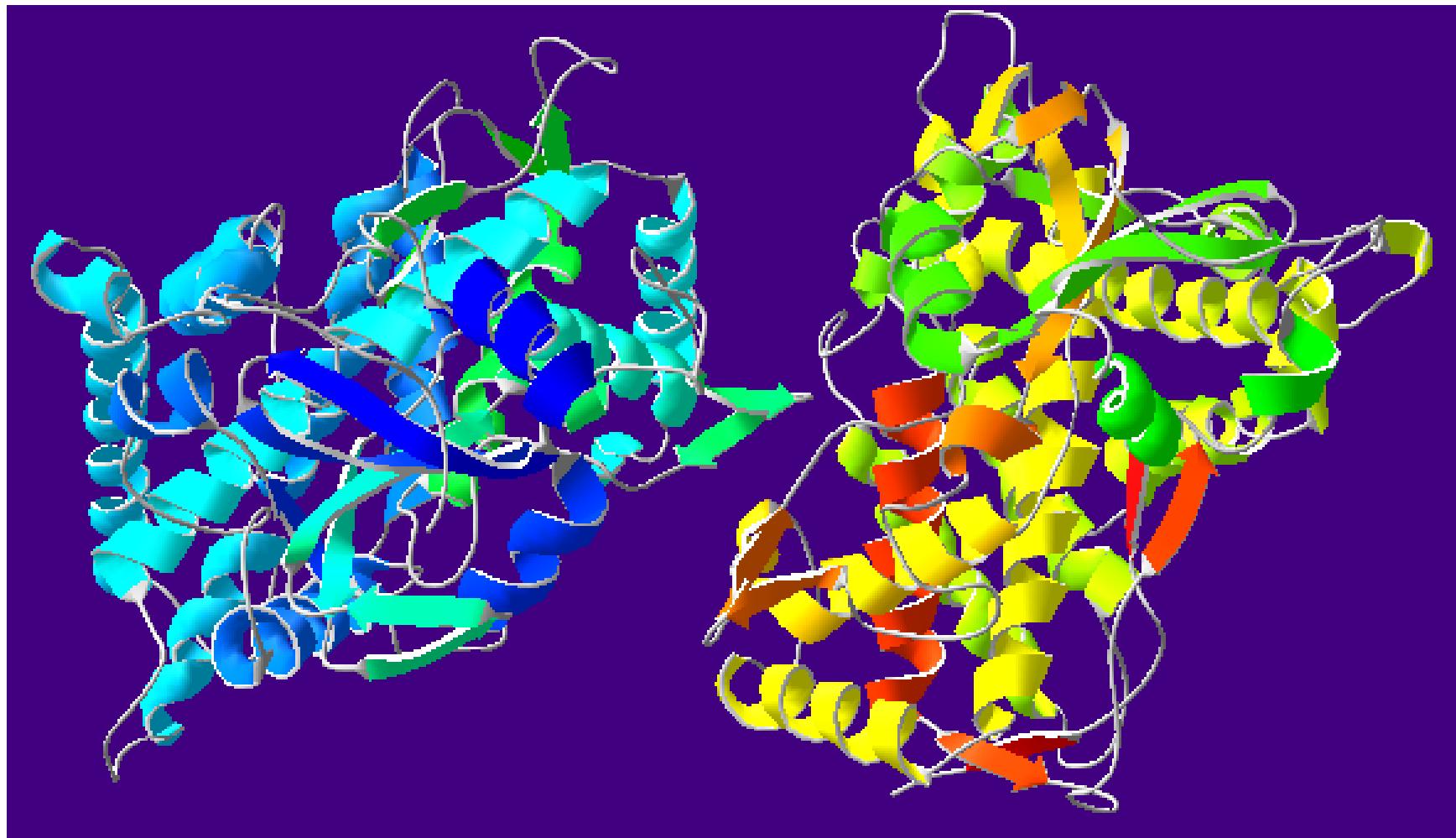


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# Cytochrome P 450



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- Enzyme system
  - Group (superfamily) of hundreds similar proteins with catalytic functions
  - Present in animals, plants, fungi and bacteria
- Biosynthesis of steroids, fatty acids
- Metabolism of endogenous and exogenous substrates
  - Metabolic activation
  - Detoxification



# The CYP450 genes metabolize most therapeutic drugs

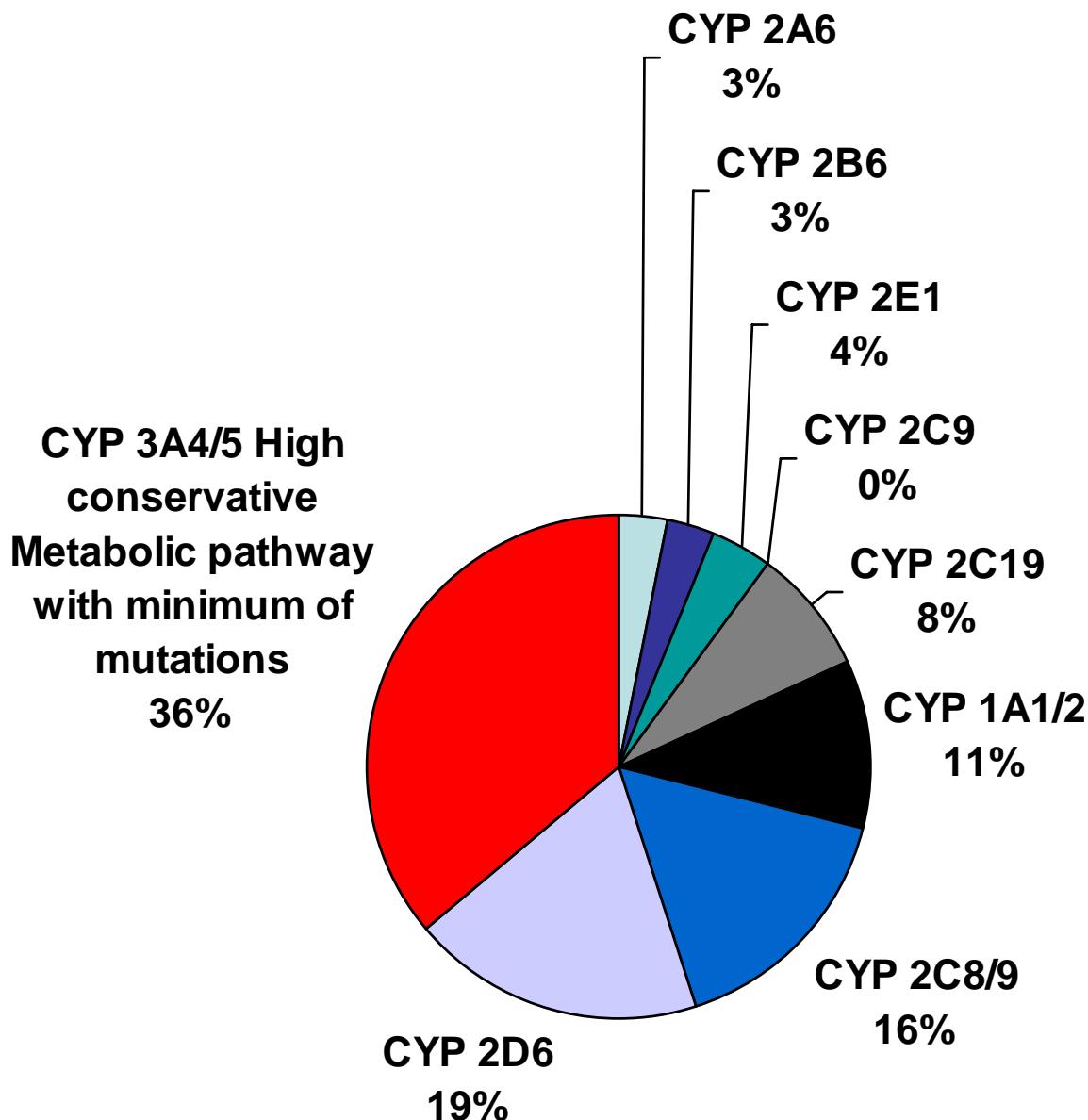
## *Examples*

### CYP450 Genes    Drugs Metabolized (%)

CYP 2A6	3	
CYP 2B6	3	
CYP 2E1	4	
CYP 2C9	ND*	
<b>CYP 2C19</b>	<b>8</b>	
CYP 1A1/2	11	
CYP 2C8/9	16	
<b>CYP 2D6</b>	<b>19</b>	
CYP 3A4/5	36	

- Drugs can be metabolized by multiple enzymes
- 2D6 is the major metabolizer for its substrates
- 2D6 and 2C19 selected for AmpliChip CYP450 Test (CE-IVD)

## CYP 450 Drugs Metabolized (%)

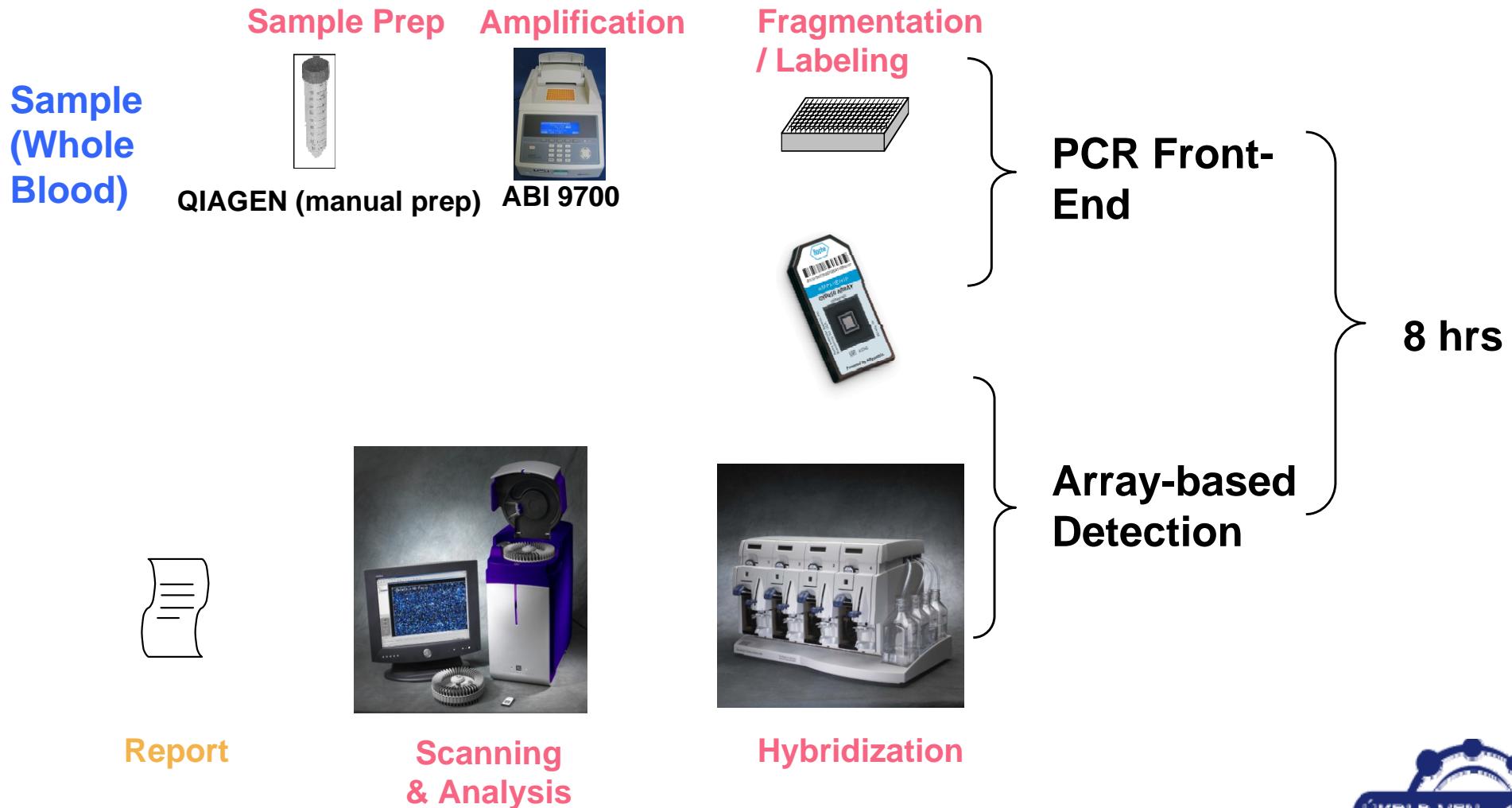


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# AmpliChip CYP450 Test: combines gold standards in PCR and microarray technology



# Technology: Genotype prediction of Phenotype

Allele	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	14A	14B	15	17	19	20	25	26	29	30	31	35	36	40	41	1XN	2XN	4XN	10XN	17XN	35XN	41XN
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E	Extensive
I	Intermediate
P	Poor
U	Ultrarapid
N	Unknown



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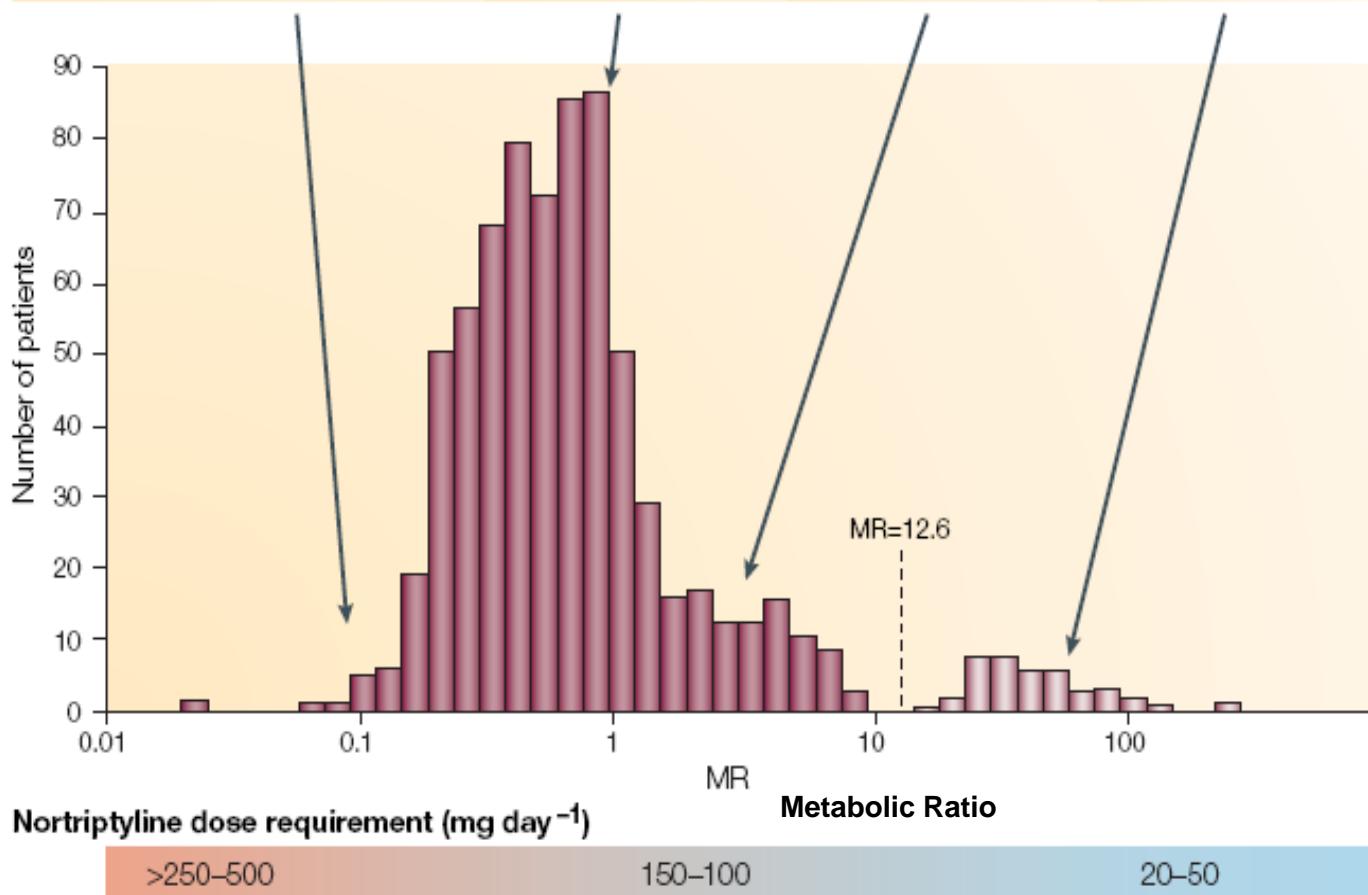


# 4 Types of Metabolizers (I)

- **Ultrarapid metabolizers (UM)**  
Carry multiple copies (3-13) of functional alleles and produce excess enzymatic activity
- **Extensive Metabolizers (EM)**  
Possess at least one normal functional allele
- **Intermediate metabolizers (IM)**  
Possess one reduced activity allele and one null allele
- **Poor metabolizers (PM)**  
Carry two mutant alleles which result in complete loss of enzyme activity

# CYP2D6 – Genotypes – phenotype relationships of CYP2D6 polymorphisms

Genotype				
Phenotype	Ultrarapid metabolizers	Extensive metabolizers	Intermediate metabolizers	Poor metabolizers
Frequency (Caucasians)	5–10%	80–65%	10–15%	5–10%



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# Traditional dosage approach: One size fits all



# Dose and the type of drug are crucial



***“The dose makes the poison”***

**Paracelsus**  
**(1493-1541)**

# Optimizing Treatment ...

## Responder identification – better drug efficacy

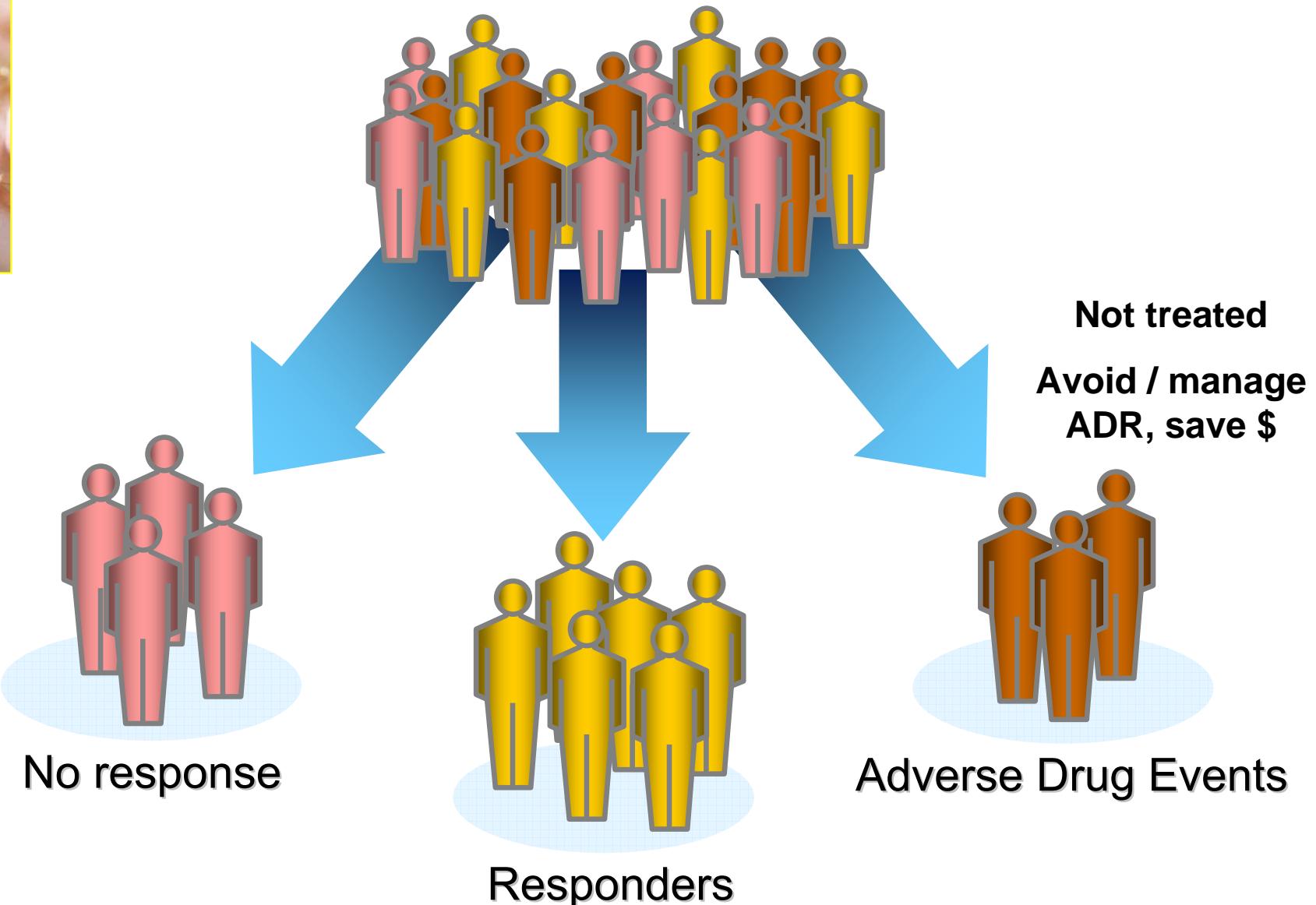


Optimal treatment

Not treated

No efficacy,  
consider  
alternatives,

save \$



# Optimizing Treatment ...

## Dosage alteration for better patient outcomes

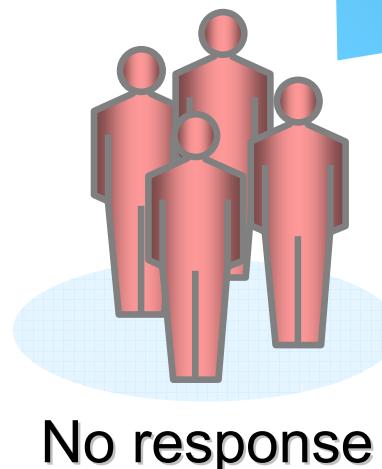


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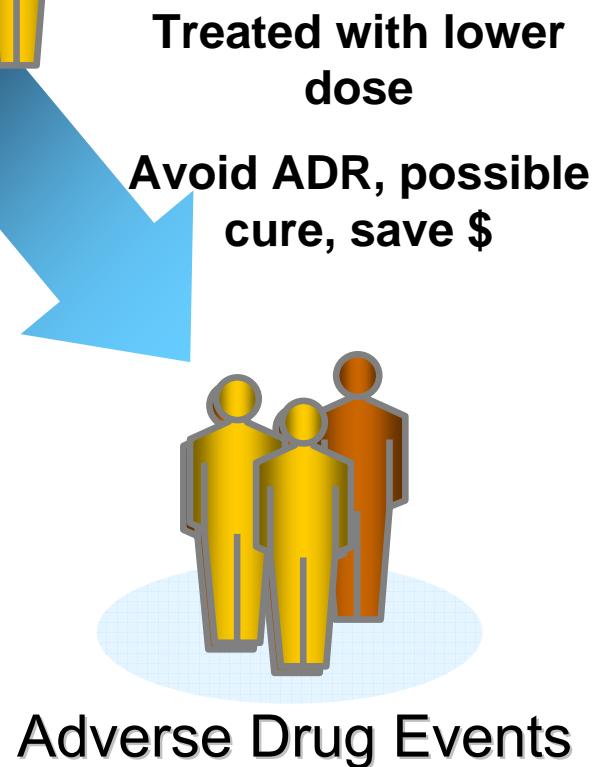
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Responders



Treated with lower dose  
Avoid ADR, possible cure, save \$

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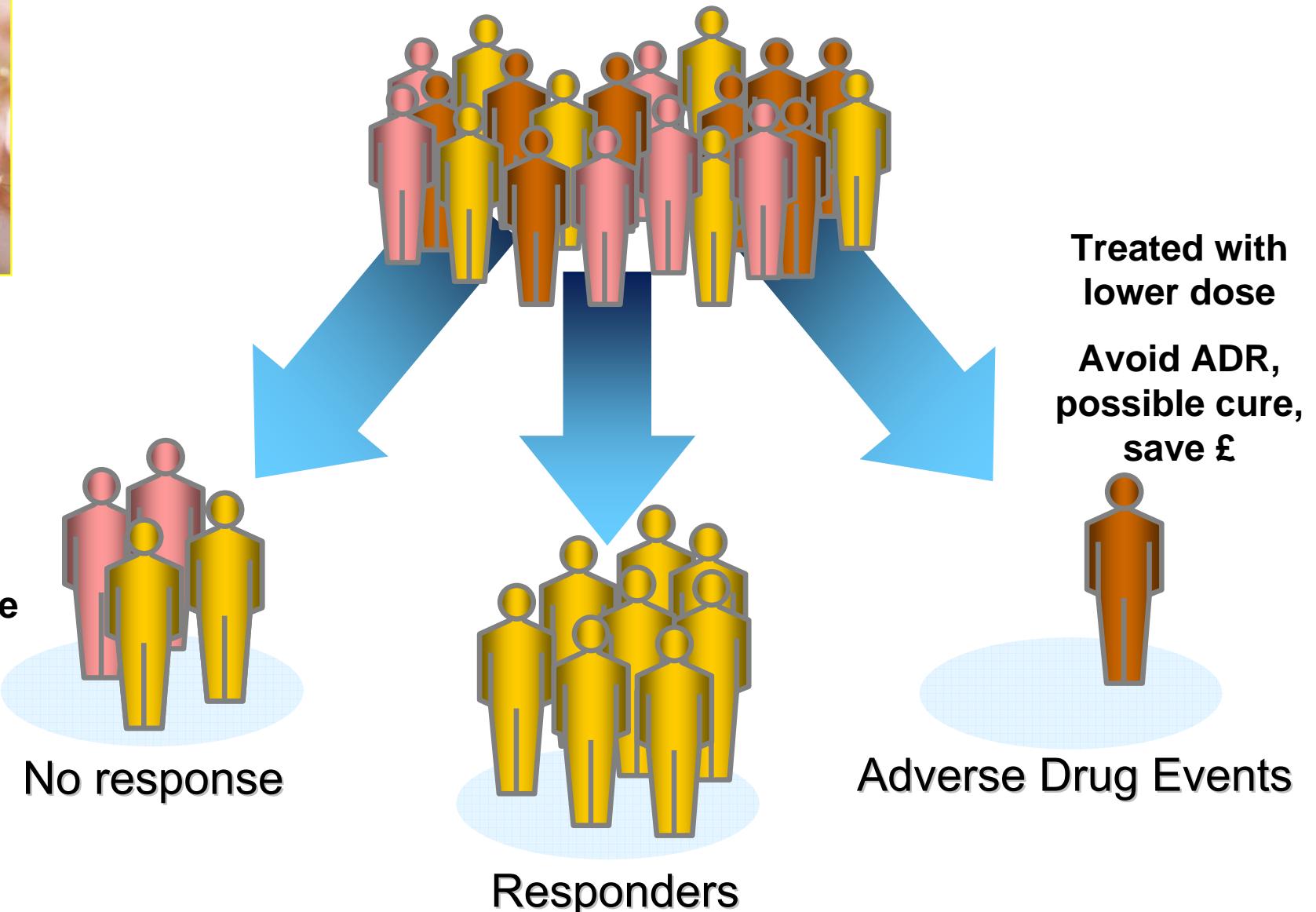


Optimal treatment

Treated with higher dosage taking into consideration the increased drug metabolism

Possible cure

No response



Adverse Drug Events

Treated with lower dose  
Avoid ADR, possible cure, save £

# Examples: Dose recommendations for antidepressants

Drug	Usual Dose (mg)	Dose Adjustment (based on metabolizer type)			
		Poor	Intermediate	Extensive	Ultra-rapid
<b><u>Tricyclics</u></b>					
Amitriptyline	150 (50-150)	50 %	(90 %)	120 %	
Clomipramine	150 (100-200)	60 %	(90 %)	120 %	
Desipramine	150 (10-100)	30 %	30 %	130 %	260 %*
Fluvoxamine	100 (100)	90 %	(100 %)	110 %	
Imipramine	150 (25-100)	30 %	(80 %)	130 %	
Nortriptyline*	50 (25-150)	50 %	70 %	140 %	
<b><u>SSRI</u></b>					
Fluoxetine*	20 (20-60)	70 %	(90 %)	110 %	
Paroxetine	20 (30)	70 %	(90 %)	110 %	
<b><u>Mixed-Function</u></b>					
Venlafaxine	150 (20-225)	20 %	(80 %)	130 %	

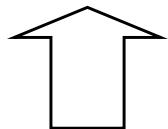
\* single dose recommendations; recommendations in brackets are estimations and require clinical confirmation  
 Kirchheiner et al, (2001) Acta Psychiat. Scand. 104: 173

# Important message of Genotyping: Genotype Predicts Phenotype

- POOR METABOLIZER DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN

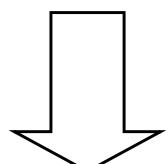


- It means, **adjust dose according to genotype**:



Drug Efficiency and Patient Care

AND



Adverse Drug Reactions

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# Breast Cancer

- The American Cancer Society estimated that 32% of all female cancers in 2004 were breast cancer, and that there is a 1 in 7 chance of developing breast cancer over a woman's lifetime.
- US: The second most common cause of cancer-related death in women accounting for 15% of all female cancer deaths.
- UK: 30% of all cancer incidences and □ 17% of all cancer deaths in women

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY:  
Statistics for 2006.



# Breast Cancer

- The majority of breast tumors express estrogen receptors.
- Several studies have shown that 5 years of Tamoxifen therapy in breast cancer patients with receptor positive tumors reduces the risk of recurrence and mortality.
- 30% of patients however acquire Tamoxifen resistance and relapse in the disease



# Breast Cancer treatment

- **Aromatase inhibitors in post-menopausal women**
- Block conversion of circulating androgens to estrogen
- (CYP1A2, CYP2C9, CYP 3A5)
  - Anastrazole (Arimidex)
  - Letrozole (Femara)
  - Exemestane (Aromasin)

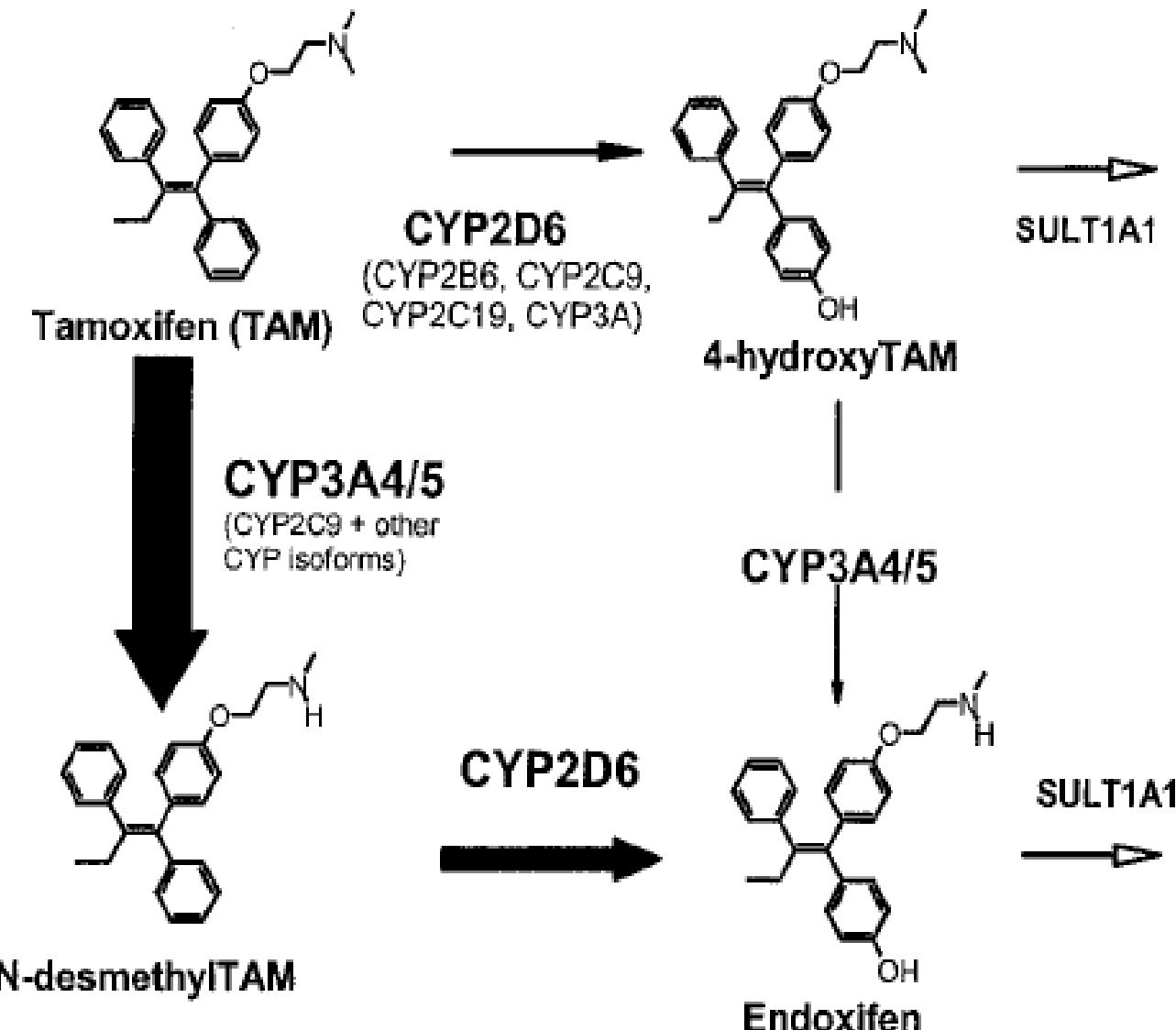


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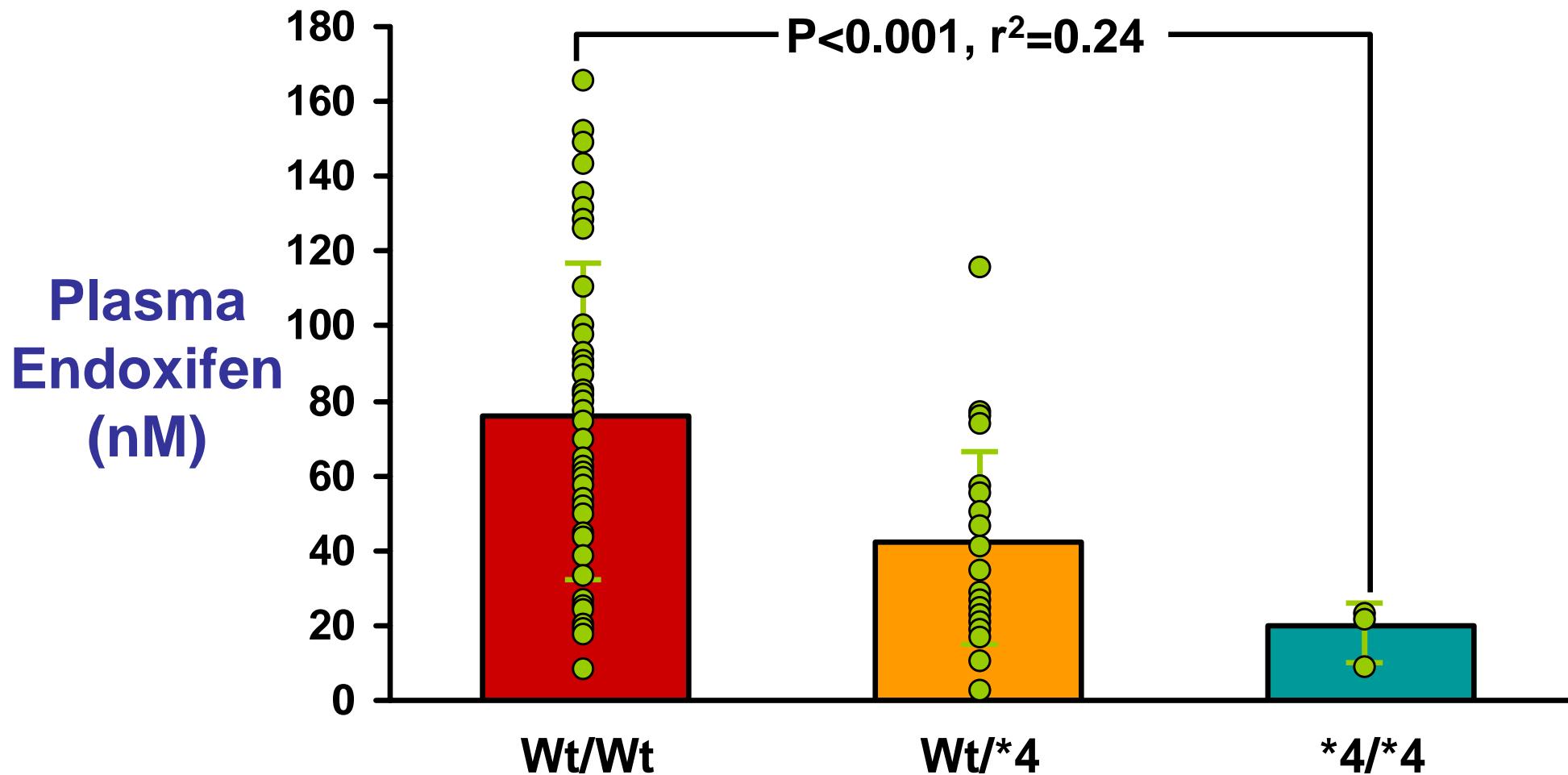
- Tamoxifen in pre- and post-menopausal women
- Blocks estrogen receptors and controls tumor growth
- (Activating enzymes: **CYP 2D6**, CYP3A5, CYP2C9, CYP2C19, SULT1A)



# Tamoxifen – Biotransformation of tamoxifen and its metabolites



# CYP2D6 Genotype and Endoxifen Plasma Levels



**CYP2D6\*4 (most common genetic variant associated with the CYP2D6 poor metabolizer state)**

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# Study of Tamoxifen efficiency

## Methods

- Retrospective study
- Primary hormon independent non – metastatic breast cancer
- No differentiation between pre and post menopausal women  
*( 21,6% vs 78.4% in our pilot group)*
- **Group of 125 patients, primary HORT TMX treatment in 108 women**

# **Study of Tamoxifen efficiency**

## **Methods II.**

- AmpliChip CYP 450 ( Roche) has been used for diagnostics of metabolic profile
- 2 ways of results evaluation:
  1. Manufacturer (CE mark evaluation)
  2. Internal type of evaluation (even one mutated allele is IM)
- Detailed investigation of co-medication during TMX therapy



# Aim of the project

- Describe the risk of possible relaps of breast cancer during TMX treatment in the connection with CYP 2D6 activity
  - genotype
  - possible inhibition of CYP 2D6 metabolic pathway by co-mediacion

# Stratification of basic patient group by phenotype

Phenotype	AmpliChip-evaluation		Internal evaluation	
UM	1	0.8 %	1	0.8 %
EM	103	82.4%	58	46.4 %
IM	10	8.0%	55	44.0%
PM	11	8.8%	11	8.8%
together	125		125	

75% - 80%

10% - 15%

5 % - 10%

# Tamoxifen in adjuvance

Median of TMX therapy: **27 months**

Phenotype	AmpliChip evaluation			Internal evaluation		
	No	%	median	No	%	median
UM	90	83.3%	25	49	45.4%	23
EM						
IM	8	7.4%	20	49	45.3%	25
PM	10	4.3%	27	10	4.3 %	27
Together	108			108		

# Tamoxifen progression

	AmpliChip evaluation			Internal evaluation		
	No	%	DFS	No	%	DFS
<b>UM+EM</b>	13	14.4	37,8	9	18,4	36.5
<b>IM</b>	3	37.5	22,7	7	14.3	33.0
<b>PM</b>	1	10.0	8	1	10.0	8
<b>together</b>	17			17		

**90 / 49**

**8 / 49**

**10**

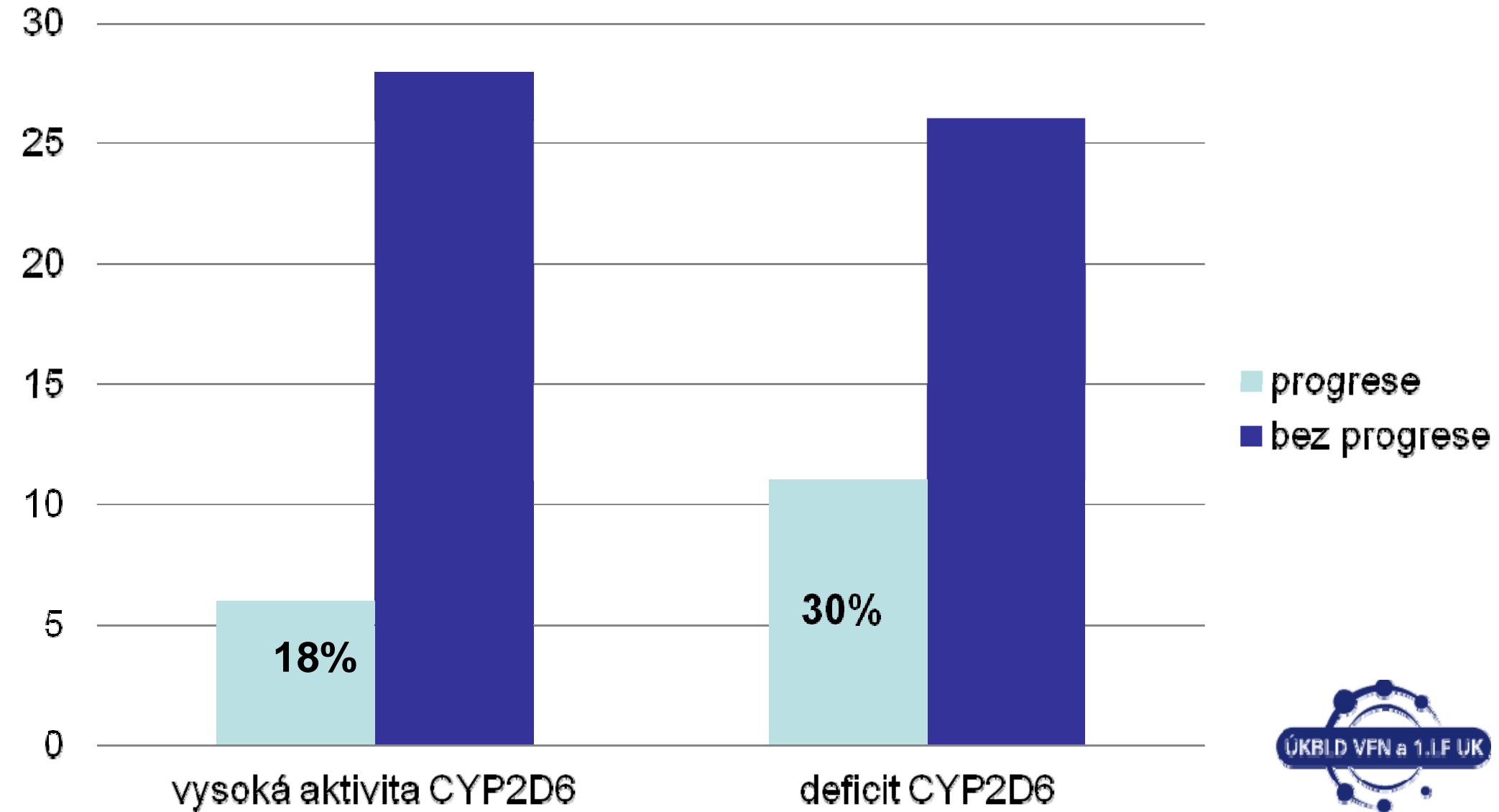
# Preliminary conclusions I

- Deficiency of CYP 2D6 activity probably increases risk of relaps of breast cancer during Tamoxifen therapy
- Diagnostics of CYP 2D6 genotype before breast cancer treatment could improve the decision making process between Tamoxifen and Aromatase inhibitors
- „Proper therapy for individual patient in the right time“

# Tamoxifen – vlastní výsledky

- 160 žen s karcinomem prsu
- hormonálně dependentní primárně nemetastazující karcinom
- délka sledování 5 let
- Primární parametr: progrese onemocnění
- **Cíle projektu :** popsat riziko relapsu nemoci při léčbě tamoxifenem v závislosti na aktivitě CYP2D6 a glykoproteinu P (MDR1

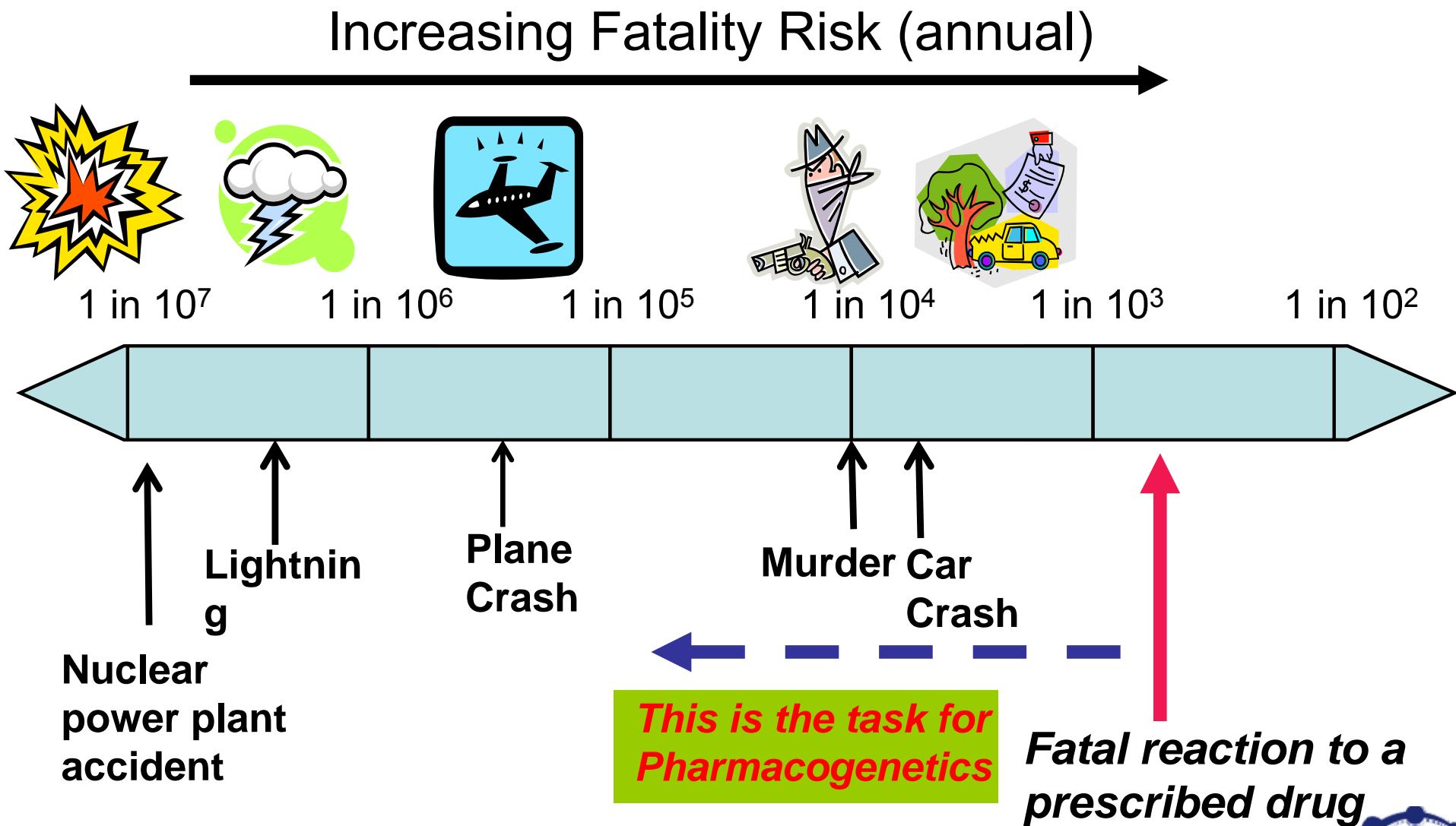
# Předběžné výsledky (n=84) CYP2D6



# Předběžné závěry

- Deficit aktivity CYP2D6 a vysoká aktivita glykoproteinu P pravděpodobně zvyšují riziko relapsu karcinomu prsu při léčbě tamoxifenem
- Stanovení genotypu před zahájením léčby by mohlo přispět k volbě terapie mezi tamoxifenem nebo inhibitory aromatáz

# Pharmacogenetic testing will be able to reduce risks



# Summary – take home messages

- Individual patients have different capacity of therapeutic drugs metabolism
- Adverse drugs effects or non efficient treatment are serious complicating factors and may lead up to fatalities
- Diagnostics of metabolic profile is valid through the whole life time (genotype does not change)
- World trend to personalized health care has already started and is irreversible

# Portfolio of other pharmacogenomics tests performed in our hospital

TPMT - Thiopurine S-methyltransferase – azathioprin

UGT1A1 – irinotekan - before starting therapy

CYP2C9 +VKOCR1 (Vitamin K epoxide reductase) – warfarin

CYP2C19 – klopidogrel

CYP2D6 – tamoxifen - before starting therapy

TPMT, CYP2C9, CYP2C19, CYP2D6, CYP3A4/5

- complication, non- compliance

Research – debrisoquine (CYP2D6), MDR1 (P-glycoprotein ) – opiates

## Methodology

- Microarray – Amplichip (CYP2D6, CYP2C19)
- FRET-PCR (Förster Resonance Energy Transfer)
- multiplex PCR- hybridization
- PCR-RFLP

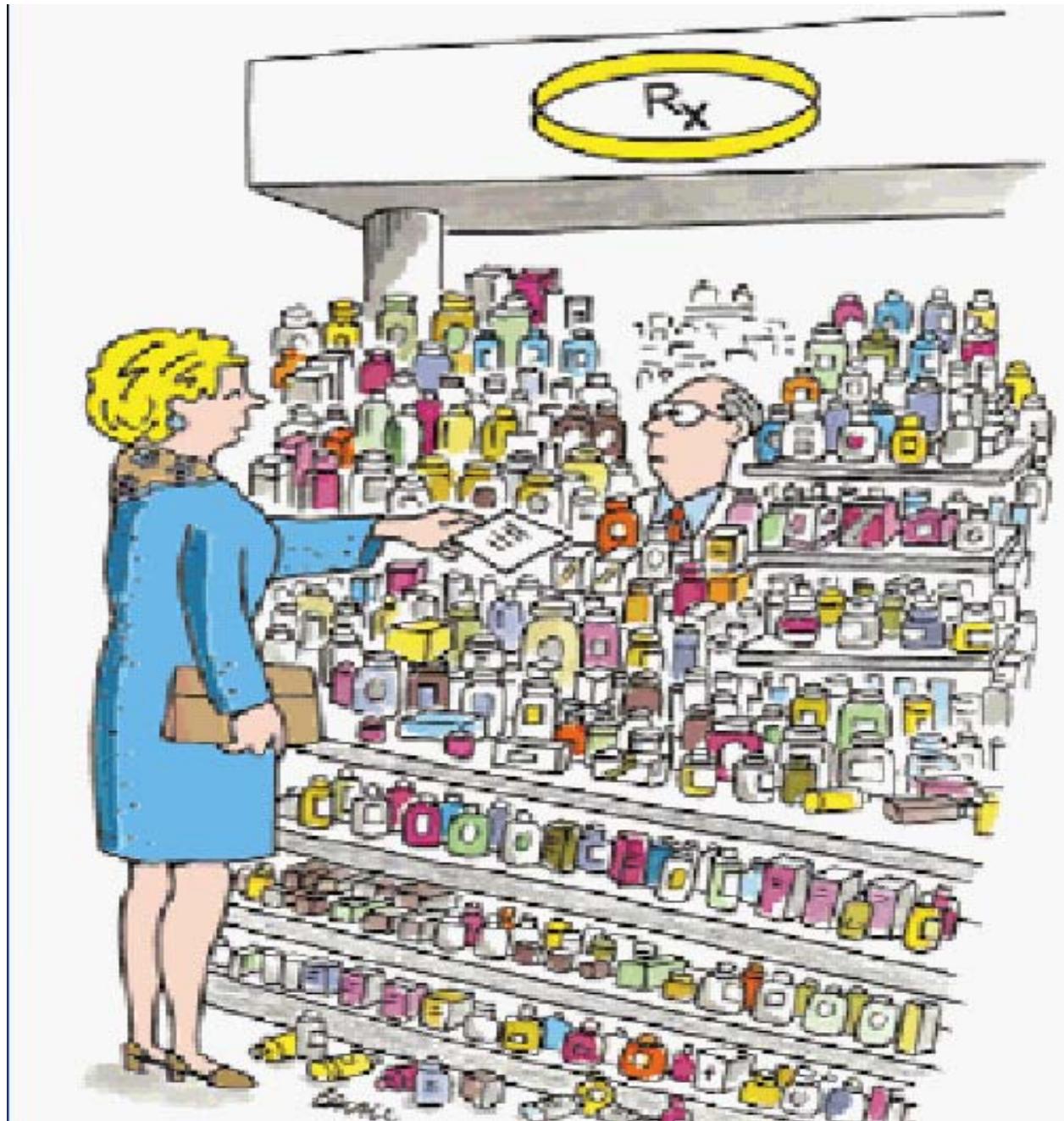


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# Future?



Here is my  
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