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TruSight™ Oncology 500 ctDNA

Exceptional library preparation and bioinformatics performance enabling decentralized, comprehensive genomic profiling from liquid biopsy samples.

Highlights

- **Enable noninvasive comprehensive genomic profiling**
  Enable in-house, noninvasive comprehensive genomic profiling (CGP) for plasma, when tissue sample is not available
- **Unlock immuno-oncology**
  Evaluate immuno-oncology relevant biomarkers as bTMB and bMSI*
- **Results you can trust**
  UMI-based hybrid capture library preparation and high-intensity sequencing by synthesis with the NovaSeq™ 6000 System
- **Advanced cfDNA bioinformatics pipeline**
  Ultra-rapid variant calling with the DRAGEN™ TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA Analysis Software

* bTMB and bMSI refer to plasma-based (blood) biomarkers

Table 1: TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA product specifications

Parameter	Details
System	NovaSeq 6000 System
Panel size	1.94 Mb DNA
Gene content	523 genes
CNVs	59 genes
Gene rearrangements	23 genes
Microsatellite sites	76 loci
Sample type	cfDNA derived from plasma
DNA input requirement	30 ng cfDNA
Total assay time	5 days from library prep to variant report
Sequence run	2 × 150 bp
Reads per sample	400M for 35,000× coverage raw data
Sample throughput	8 samples per run (S2 flow cell) 24 samples per run (S4 flow cell)
Run time	36 hr run, 10 hrs analysis (S2 flow cell) 45 hr run, 22 hrs analysis (S4 flow cell)
Kit size	48 samples

Introduction

Liquid biopsy enables comprehensive analysis of circulating cell-free DNA (cfDNA) in plasma, providing a noninvasive approach for profiling solid tumors. To take advantage of liquid biopsy, it is critical to use a highly sensitive and specific assay capable of detecting somatic mutations at low frequencies. TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA harnesses the power of proven Illumina next-generation sequencing (NGS) technology to achieve this high sensitivity and enables comprehensive genomic profiling of circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA) found in cfDNA (Figure 1, Table 1). Combining this advanced solution with the bioinformatics power of the DRAGEN TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA Analysis Software gives clinical researchers a DNA-to-report solution for evaluating multiple variant types across hundreds of genes in a single assay.

The power of liquid biopsy

Unlike a tissue biopsy that provides information from only a fraction of the tumor, liquid biopsy provides insights about intra- and inter-tumor heterogeneity throughout the body. Recent studies show that cfDNA analysis detected a significant number of guideline-recommended biomarkers and resistance alterations not found in matched tissue biopsies.[1] In addition, a gastrointestinal cancer and non-small cell lung cancer study revealed that cfDNA analyses are highly concordant with tissue-based analyses.[2]

A foundation of comprehensive content

Content for TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA was designed with recognized authorities in the oncology community and includes current and emerging biomarkers with comprehensive coverage of genes involved in key guidelines and clinical trials for multiple tumor types. The panel probe design captures both known and novel gene rearrangements and includes 523 genes for detecting variants likely to play a role in tumorigenesis. Biomarkers comprise single-nucleotide variants (SNVs), insertions/deletions (indels), copy-number variants (CNVs), gene rearrangements, and complex immuno-oncology genomic signatures, such as microsatellite instability (MSI) and tumor mutational burden (TMB) (Table 2). For a complete list of genes, visit www.illumina.com/tso500-ctDNA.

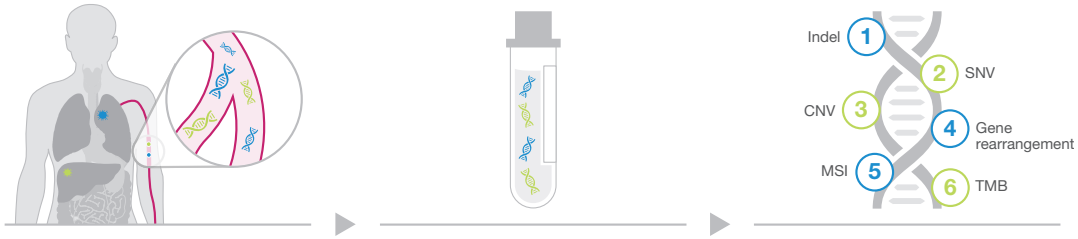

Figure 1: Liquid biopsy enables profiling of biomarkers for multiple variant types and multiple cancer types—Sophisticated variant calling algorithms and high depth of sequencing enable detection of key biomarkers in cfDNA with 0.5% limit of detection (LOD).

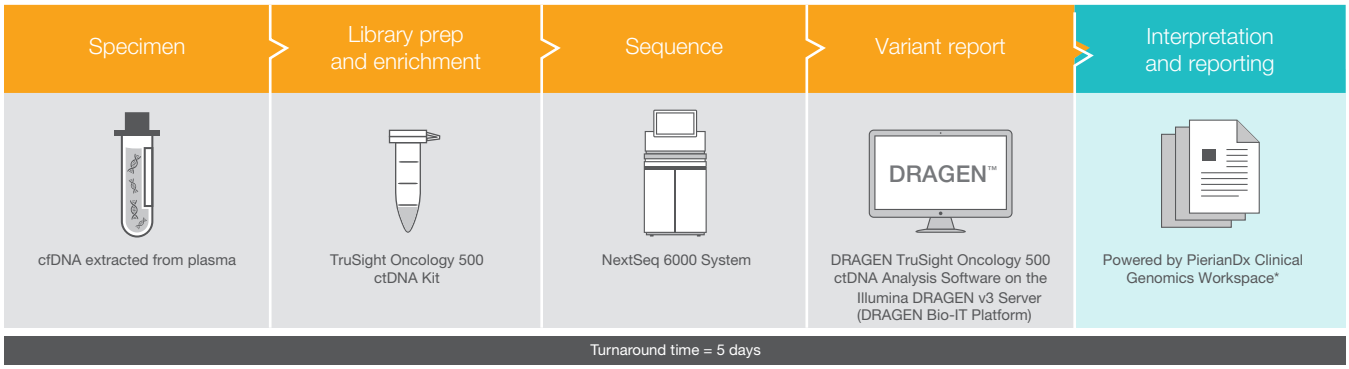

Figure 2: TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA assay workflow—The TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA assay integrates into current lab workflows, going from cfDNA to a variant report in five days. * PierianDx Clinical Genomics Workspace will be available in 2020.

Table 2: Examples of variants detected using TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA

Variant type	Relevant examples
SNVs and indels	*EGFR*, *POLE*, *TMPRSS2*, *BRAF*
DNA rearrangements	*ALK*, *ROS1*, *NTRK*, *RET*
CNVs	*HER2*
MSI	MSI-Score
TMB	TMB-Score

Table 3: Detection of low-level variants with high accuracy

Variant type	Sensitivity	Specificity
Small variants (≥ 0.5% VAF)	≥ 95%	≥ 99.995%
Gene amplifications (≥ 1.4-fold change)	≥ 95%	≥ 95%
Gene deletions (≤ 0.6-fold change)	≥ 95%	≥ 95%
Gene rearrangements (0.5%)	≥ 95%	≥ 95%
MSI high detection (≥ at 2% tumor fraction)	≥ 95%	≥ 95%

Proven technology for detecting low-level biomarkers

Using proven Illumina sequencing by synthesis (SBS) chemistry, TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA enables comprehensive genomic profiling from just 30 ng cfDNA, making it an ideal alternative for use when tissue testing is not available. Library preparation takes advantage of target enrichment chemistry, using biotinylated probes and streptavidin-coated magnetic beads to enrich for selected targets from DNA-based libraries. Targeted hybridization–capture enrichment chemistry uses probes that are large enough to impart high binding specificity, but still allow hybridization to targets containing small mutations. This approach reduces sample dropouts in the presence of both natural allelic variations and sequence artifacts.

Because ctDNA represents a small fraction of cfDNA, powerful methods are required to separate signal from noise. Library preparation incorporates unique molecular identifiers (UMIs) that enable ultra-low frequency variant identification.[3] TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA libraries are sequenced on the NovaSeq 6000 System at high depth (~ 35,000×) to enhance sensitivity. The result is the ability to detect mutations at 0.5% variant allele frequency (VAF) for small variants, with 95% sensitivity and > 99.995% specificity (Table 3).

Accurate and accelerated analysis

DRAGEN TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA Analysis Software uses accelerated, easy-to-implement, fully integrated bioinformatics algorithms to overcome cfDNA challenges and ensure optimal assay performance. The software performs alignment, collapsing with error correction, variant calling from raw sequencing data, and removes duplicated reads and sequencing errors without losing signal for low-frequency sequence variations, yielding high-sensitivity variant calling results.

Unlike qualitative results from PCR-based assays, DRAGEN TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA Analysis Software provides a quantitative MSI score derived from 76 homopolymer MSI marker sites. For TMB analysis, the DRAGEN software optimizes sensitivity by measuring both nonsynonymous and synonymous SNVs and indels. After variant calling and error correction, the accuracy of TMB measurement is further enhanced by filtering germline variants, low-confidence variants, and variants associated with clonal hematopoiesis of indeterminate potential.

DRAGEN TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA Analysis Software runs on a local Illumina DRAGEN Server v3. This ultra-rapid platform offers enhanced hardware and software that reduce data analysis time from nine days to ~ 20 hours (Table 4). The PierianDx Clinical Genomics Workspace (CGW) completes tertiary analysis. Simply upload variant report files directly into the CGW cloud. CGW performs variant annotation and filtering for smooth interpretation and reporting. From thousands of variants in the genome, TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA and CGW filter and prioritize biologically relevant variants for the final automated, customizable genomic report. The entire workflow, from cfDNA to consolidated variant reporting, takes only five days (Figure 2).

Extensive validation delivers accurate and highly reproducible results

To demonstrate the high-quality results achieved with TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA, Illumina performed various studies evaluating the ability to call SNVs, CNVs, gene rearrangements, TMB, and MSI (Figures 3 and 4, Tables 5 and 6).

Table 4: Time required for data analysis is dramatically reduced with the onsite DRAGEN Server v3

Data analysis step	Non-DRAGEN solution[a]	TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA DRAGEN Analysis Software
BCL conversion	6 hours	1 hour
Alignment + collapsing + realignment	170 hours	11 hours
Gene rearrangement calling	10 hours	2 hours
Variant calling	24 hours	8 hours
Total time	~9 days	~20 hours

a. Single node, nonparallelized pipeline for 24 samples using an S4 flow cell

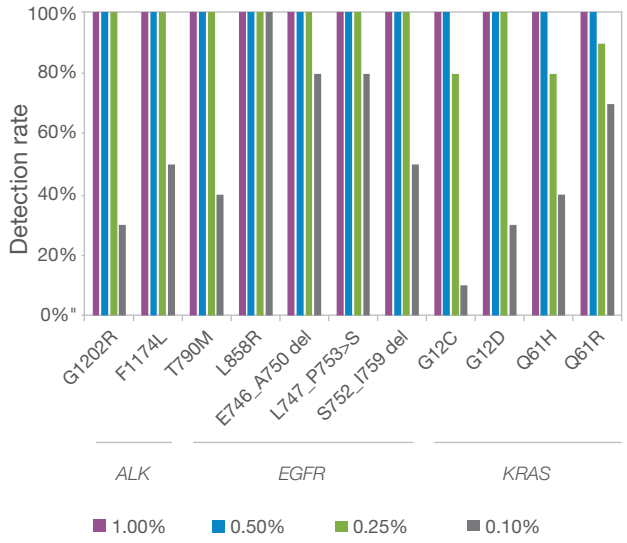

Figure 3: Small variant detection at low VAF—Samples with known VAF for each variant were diluted to values ranging from 0.10-1.00% VAF. Five replicates of each sample were analyzed with TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA using 30 ng commercial reference control DNA.

Table 5: Sensitive detection of CNVs

Gene	Expected fold-change	Observed mean	Standard deviation	Detection rate
Amplifications				
AKT2	1.4	1.4	0.02	100%
BRAF	1.5	1.5	0.01	100%
BRCA2	1.8	1.5	0.01	100%
CCND3	1.5	1.4	0.01	100%
CDK6	1.5	1.5	0.01	100%
FGF14	1.3	1.5	0.01	100%
FGF3	2.1	1.6	0.01	100%
FGF4	1.4	1.2	0.01	100%
FGFR2	1.3	1.5	0.01	100%
MET	1.4	1.5	0.02	100%
MYC	1.7	1.8	0.02	100%
Deletions				
BRCA1	0.8	0.8	0.01	100%
BRCA2	0.8	0.8	0.01	100%
AR	0.7	0.8	0.01	100%

Samples with known fold-changes for gene amplifications and deletions were evaluated using TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA with 30 ng of cfDNA input. Five replicates of each sample were analyzed.

Summary

TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA is an NGS-based, multiplex assay that analyzes hundreds of cancer-related biomarkers from plasma simultaneously. Assay content is aligned with current guidelines and clinical trials, with the ability to detect multiple variant types from 523 genes implicated in various tumor types, without requiring multiple samples for iterative testing. TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA also provides assessment of immuno-oncology and emerging biomarkers (TMB, MSI, *NTRK*, and *ROS1*). Taking advantage of extensive genomic content, industry- leading sequencing technology, and enhanced software, TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA provides an integrated solution for accelerating clinical research projects, in your own laboratory with minimal operational and analysis complexity.

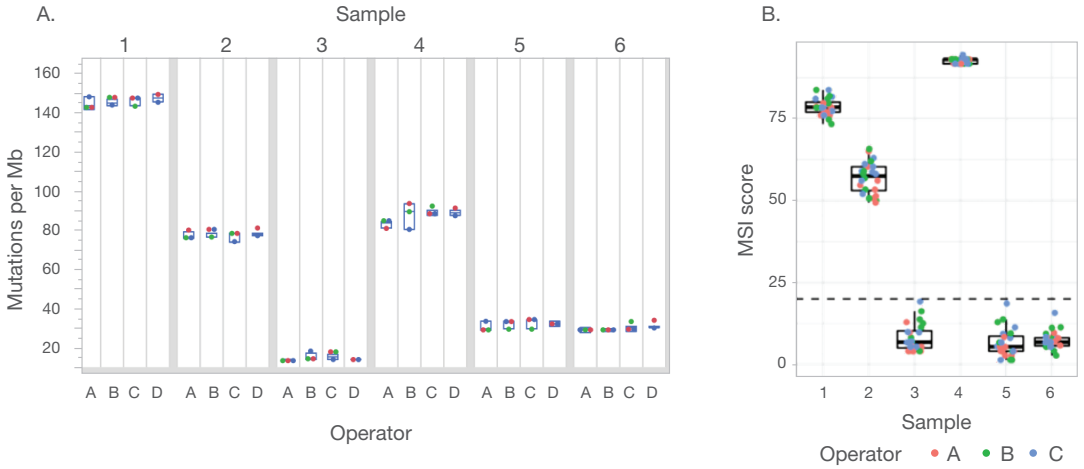

Figure 4: Reproducible TMB and MSI measurement—(A)TMB was evaluated in six different plasma samples across four operators in replicate. (B) MSI was evaluated in six different samples across three operators and probe lots.

Table 6: Gene rearrangement detection at low VAF

Gene rearrangement	Expected VAF	Observed VAF	Standard deviation	Detection rate
FGFR2-COL14A1	4.1%	4.2%	0.5%	100%
ALK-NPM1	3.4%	0.7%	0.2%	100%
FGFR3-BAIAP2L1	3.4%	0.7%	0.2%	100%
ALK-NPM1	2.4%	0.4%	0.1%	100%
ALK-EML4	1.7%	0.5%	0.1%	100%
RET-CCDC6	1.0%	0.7%	0.1%	100%
FGFR2-COL14A1	0.9%	0.4%	0.1%	100%
ALK-EML4	0.7%	0.2%	0.1%	100%
NCOA4-RET	0.5%	0.1%	0.0%	100%
ALK-EML4	0.5%	0.8%	0.2%	100%
ALK-NPM1	0.5%	0.1%	0.0%	100%
RET-CCDC6	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	100%

Samples with known gene rearrangement allele frequencies ranging from ~0.5-4% were evaluated. Five replicates of each sample were analyzed using TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA with 30 ng cfDNA input.

Learn more

For more information about TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA, visit www.illumina.com/tso500-ctDNA

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Ordering information

Product	Quantity	Catalog no.
TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA Kit	48 samples/ 16 indexes	20039252
NovaSeq 6000 S2 Reagent Kit	300 cycles	20012860
NovaSeq 6000 S4 Reagent Kit	300 cycles	20012866
NovaSeq Xp 4-Lane Kit	1 kit	20021665
DRAGEN TruSight Oncology 500 ctDNA Analysis Software, Level 1	1-year license	20042100
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