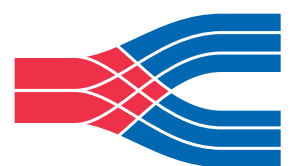


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# POLE/POLD1 MUTATIONS

## EXONUCLEASE DOMAIN MUTATIONS OF THE POLYMERASE SUBUNITS EPSILON (POLE) AND DELTA-1 (POLD1)

Exonuclease domain mutations (EDMs) of DNA polymerases epsilon and delta-1 subunits (POLE & POLD1) can lead to impaired proofreading during DNA replication, thereby dramatically increasing the mutation rates<sup>(1)</sup>. Tumors containing mutations in POLE or POLD1 have been shown to express 15 times more neo-antigens than microsatellite instable (MSI) tumors and 100 times more neo-antigens than microsatellite stable (MSS) tumors<sup>(2)</sup>. Neo-antigens indicate the presence of tumor-infiltrating cancer-fighting T-Cells (immune system “readiness”) that are silenced by PD-1 - PD-L1-interactions. Substantial evidence suggests that tumorigenesis is promoted by both somatic and germline mutations in the exonuclease domain of POLE and POLD1. In fact, POLE mutations have been identified as risk factors for colorectal and endometrial cancer<sup>(3,4)</sup>.

**POLE/POLD1 MUTATIONS HAVE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE TUMORGENESIS.**

## DETECTING POLE/POLD1 EDMS IN ADDITION TO MSI TO ENABLE IMMUNE CHECKPOINT THERAPY DECISIONS

MSI testing is a promising approach to determining the response to immune checkpoint inhibitors for gastrointestinal tract and endometrial tissue tumor entities<sup>(5,6,7)</sup>. However, detection of the MSS phenotype excludes patients from MSI-associated therapies. Studies show that somatic POLE mutations are associated with MSS and hyper-mutated phenotypes in colorectal and endometrial tumors<sup>(3,4)</sup>. Therefore, somatic POLE EDMs may be promising candidates for the decision-making related to immune checkpoint therapy<sup>(4,8)</sup>.

**COMBINED WITH THE MSI STATUS, INFORMATION ON POLE/POLD1 MUTATIONS COULD PROVIDE VALUABLE INFORMATION FOR THERAPY-RELATED DECISIONS FOR PATIENTS WITH MSS TUMORS.**

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# MODAPLEX POLE/POLD1 MUTATION ANALYSIS KIT

MODAPLEX POLE/POLD1 MUTATION ANALYSIS KIT COMPLEMENTS THE DECISION MAKING TO THERAPEUTIC USE IN COMBINATION WITH MSI



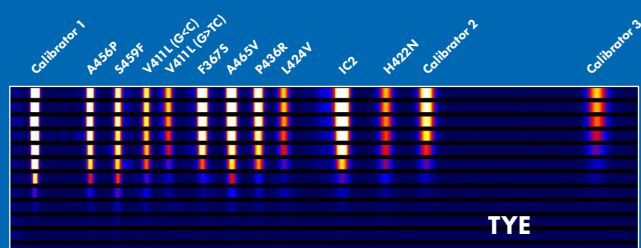
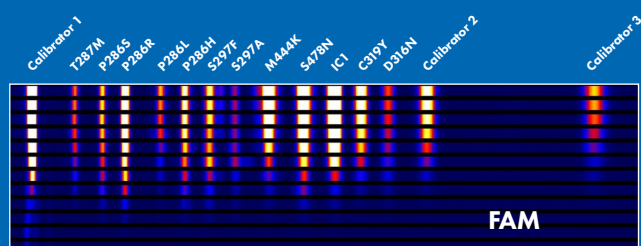
## IDENTIFY GENETIC INSTABILITY BEYOND MSI

- » Detect POLE/POLD1 mutations in MSS samples
- » Combine MSI fragment analysis and POLE/POLD1 mutation detection in a single Modaplex run
- » Determine genetic instability related to polymerase proofreading- or mismatch repair deficiency in less than 5 hours



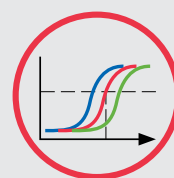
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- » Overcome limitations on FFPE material
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## DETECT AND DIFFERENTIATE 20 POLE/POLD1 MUTATIONS

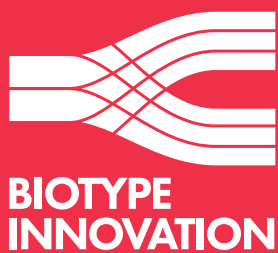
- » Detection of 17 POLE EDMs
- » Detection of 3 POLD1 EDMs
- » Ct value-based display of positive results



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