

# 血清miRNAによるがん早期診断研究の現状

Circulating microRNA profiling  
for the detection of cancers in the early stage

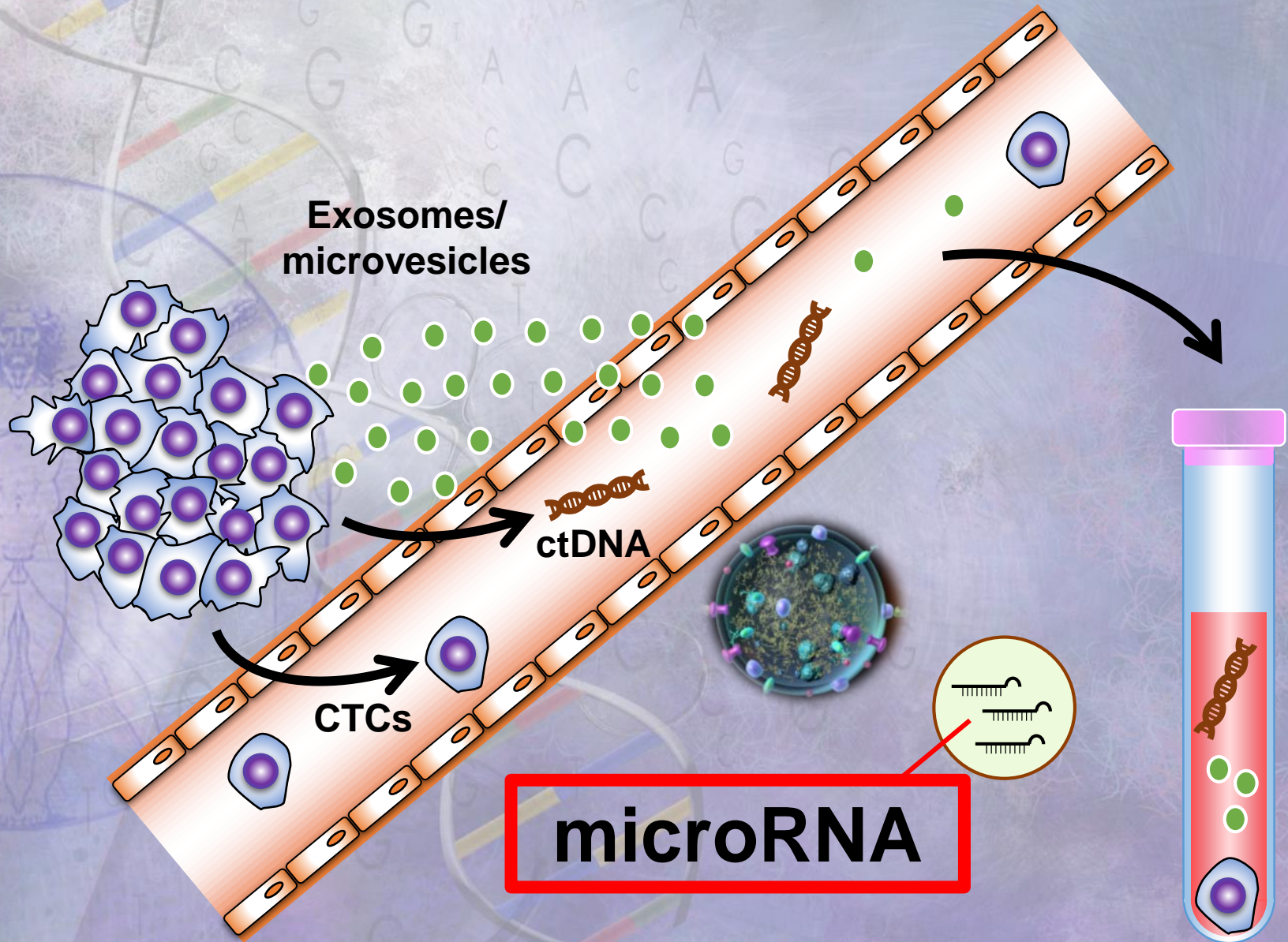
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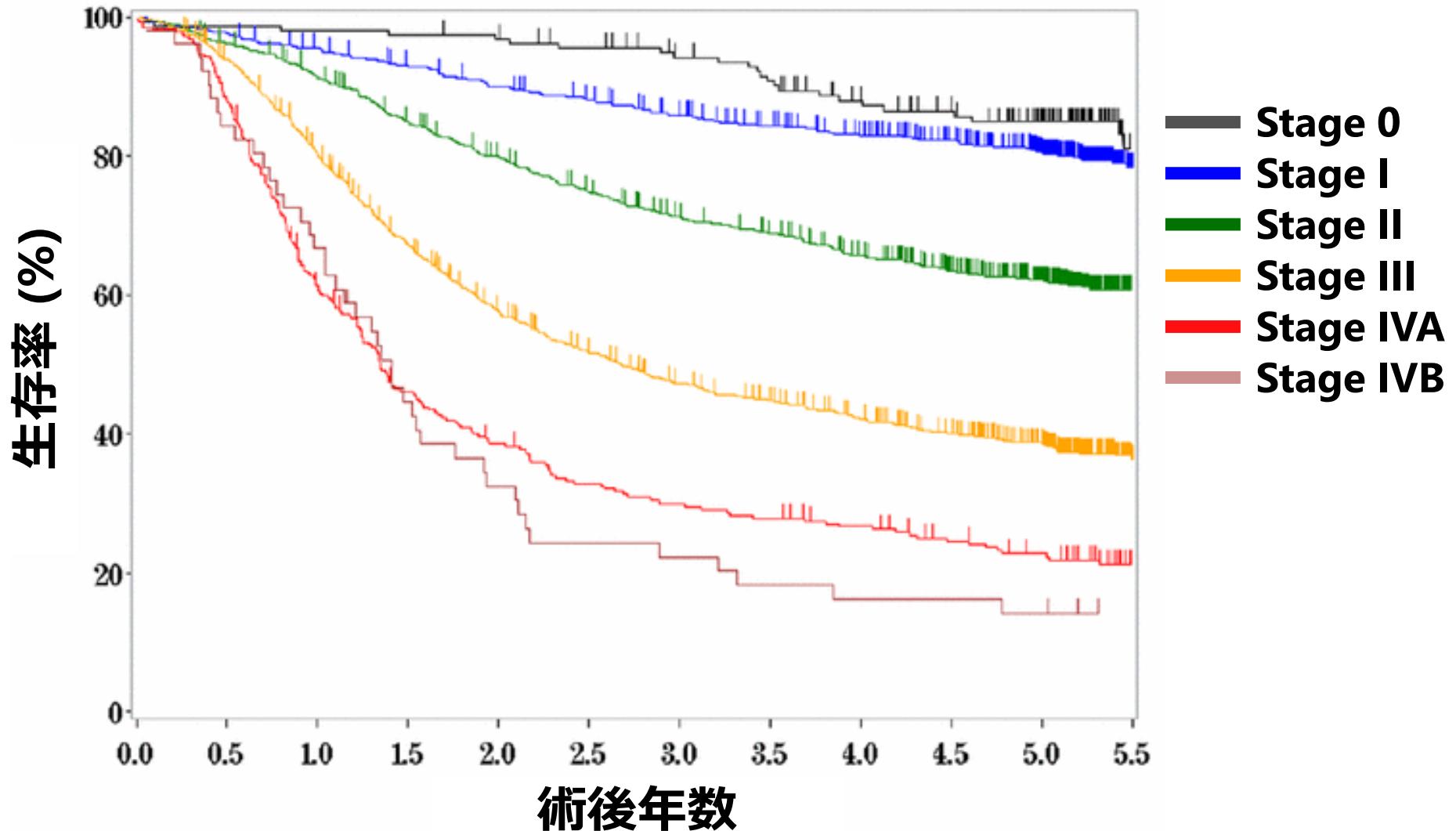
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# がんの体液診断 (リキッドバイオプシー)

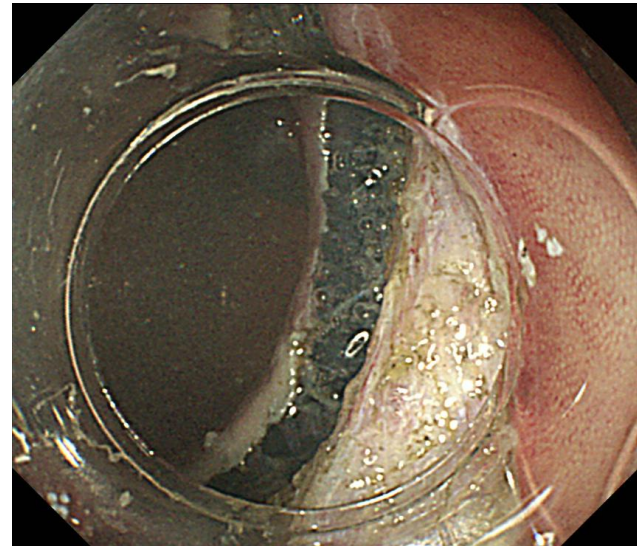
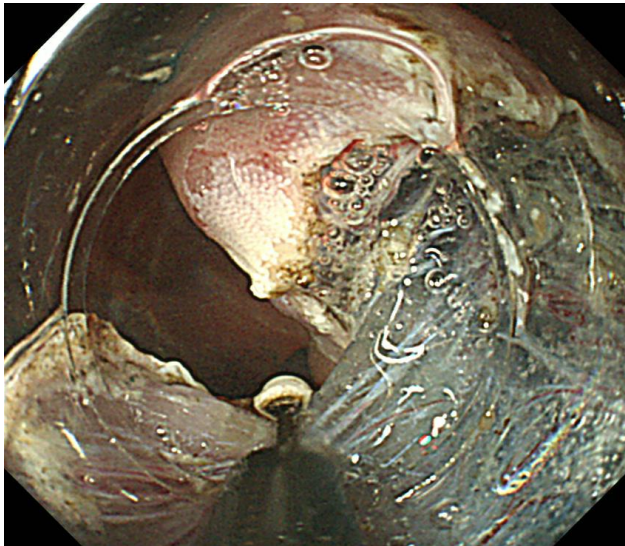
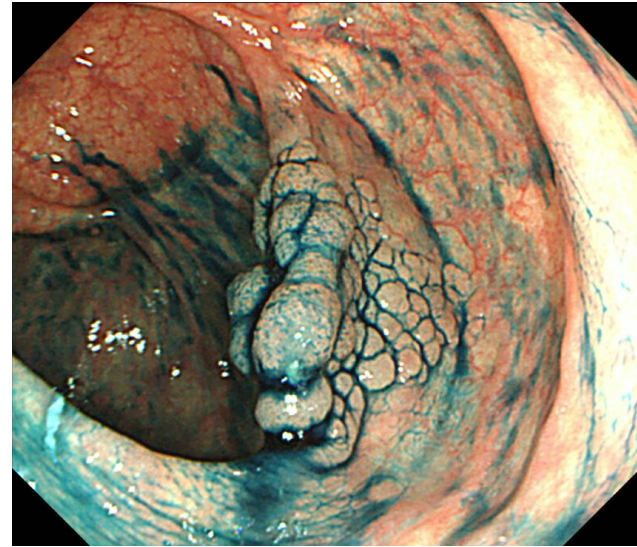
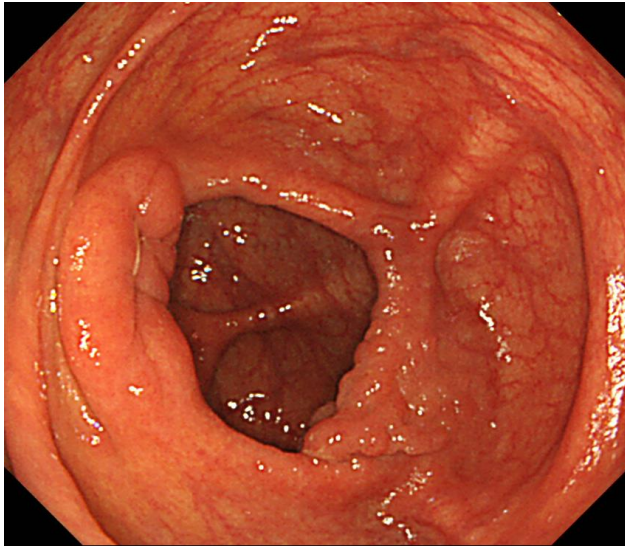


# 食道がん手術後の臨床病期(ステージ)と予後





# 消化管がんの内視鏡治療



# がん検診の現状

## 対策型検診 (住民検診)

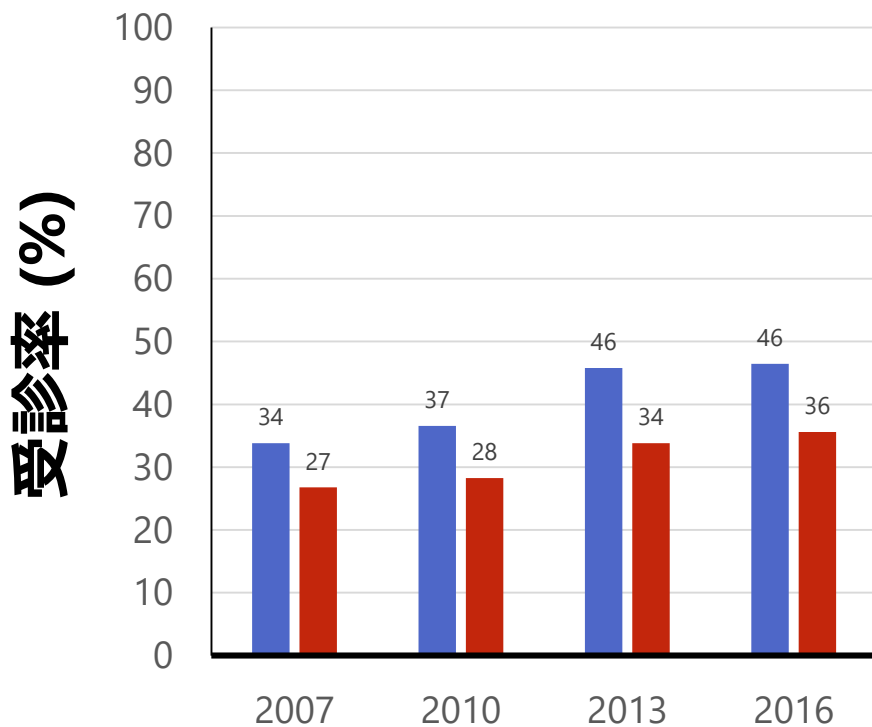
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  - 胃バリウムX線
  - 上部消化管内視鏡
- 大腸がん
  - 便潜血検査
- 肺がん
  - 胸部X線
- 乳がん
  - マンモグラフィ
  - 視触診
- 子宮頸がん
  - 細胞診

## 任意型検診(人間ドック)

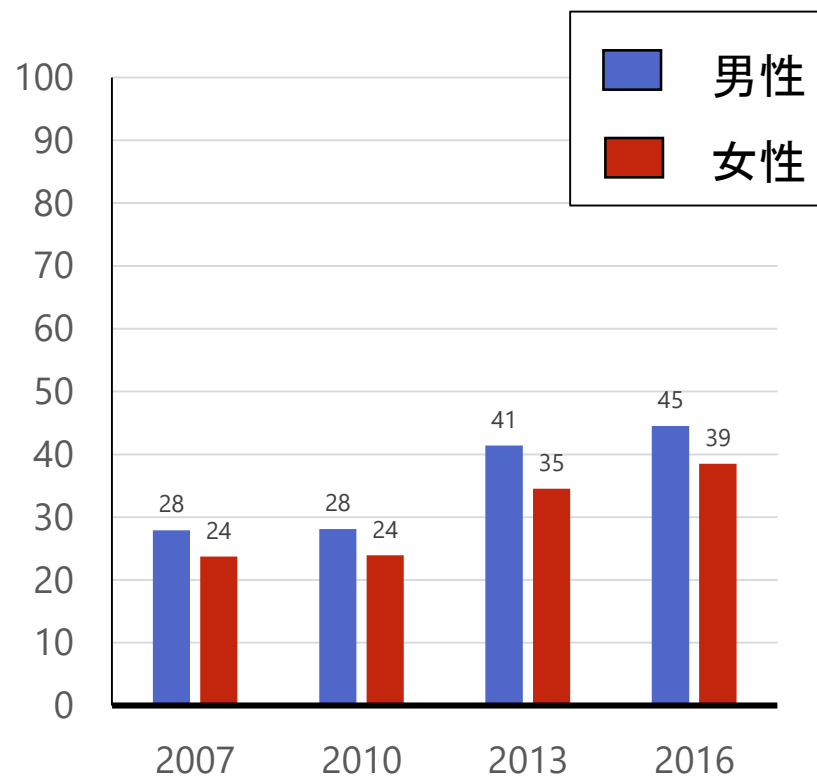
- 上部消化管内視鏡
- 下部消化管内視鏡
- 胃バリウムX線
- 大腸注腸X線
- 大腸CTコロノグラフィー
- 便潜血検査
- 超音波(エコー)
- CT
- MRI
- 血液検査(PSA, CA125等)
- マンモグラフィ
- 子宮頸部細胞診
- コルポスコーピー
- PET-CT

# 対策型検診の受診率 (40~69歳)

## 胃がん

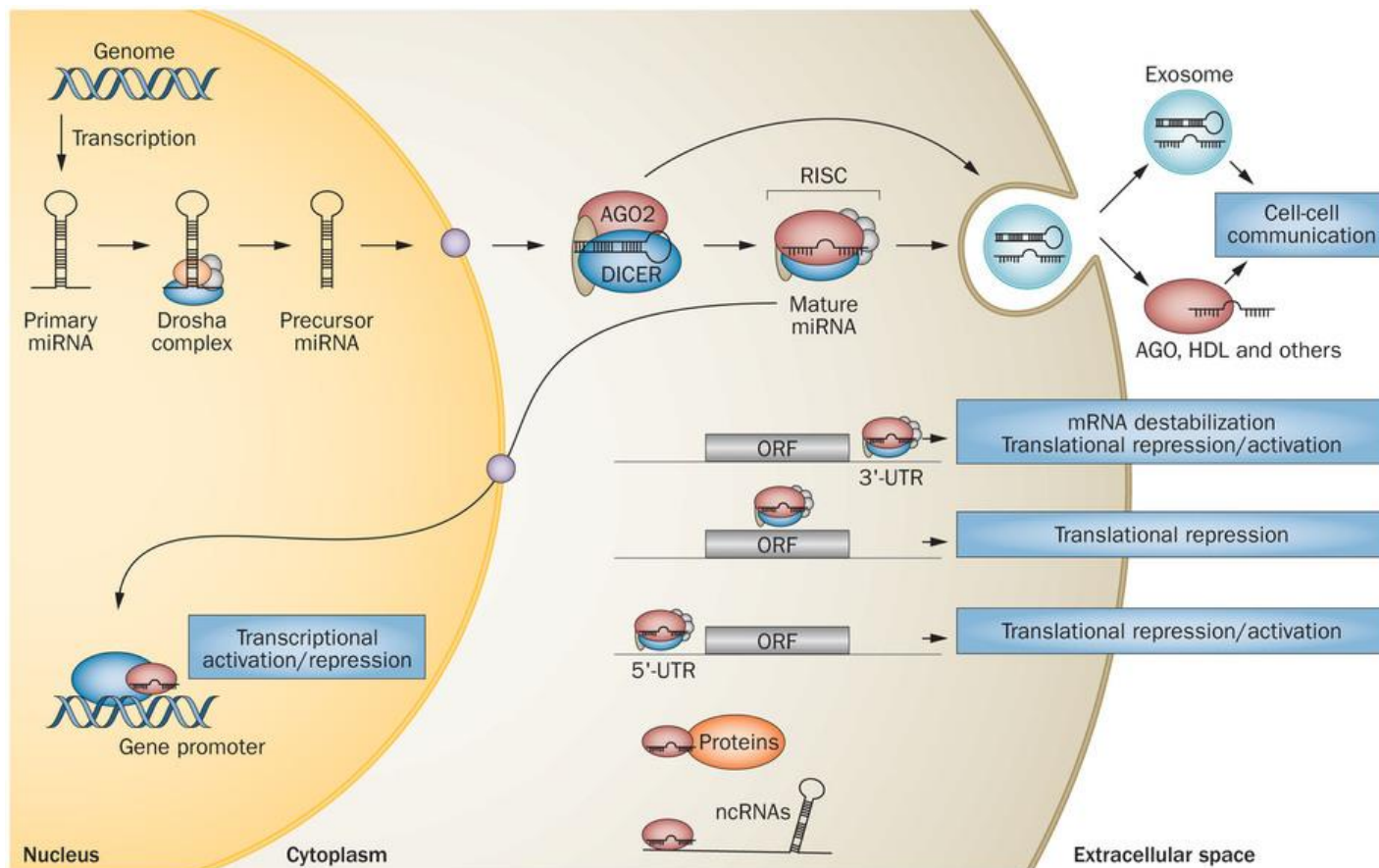


## 大腸がん



# Biogenesis and function of microRNAs (miRNAs)

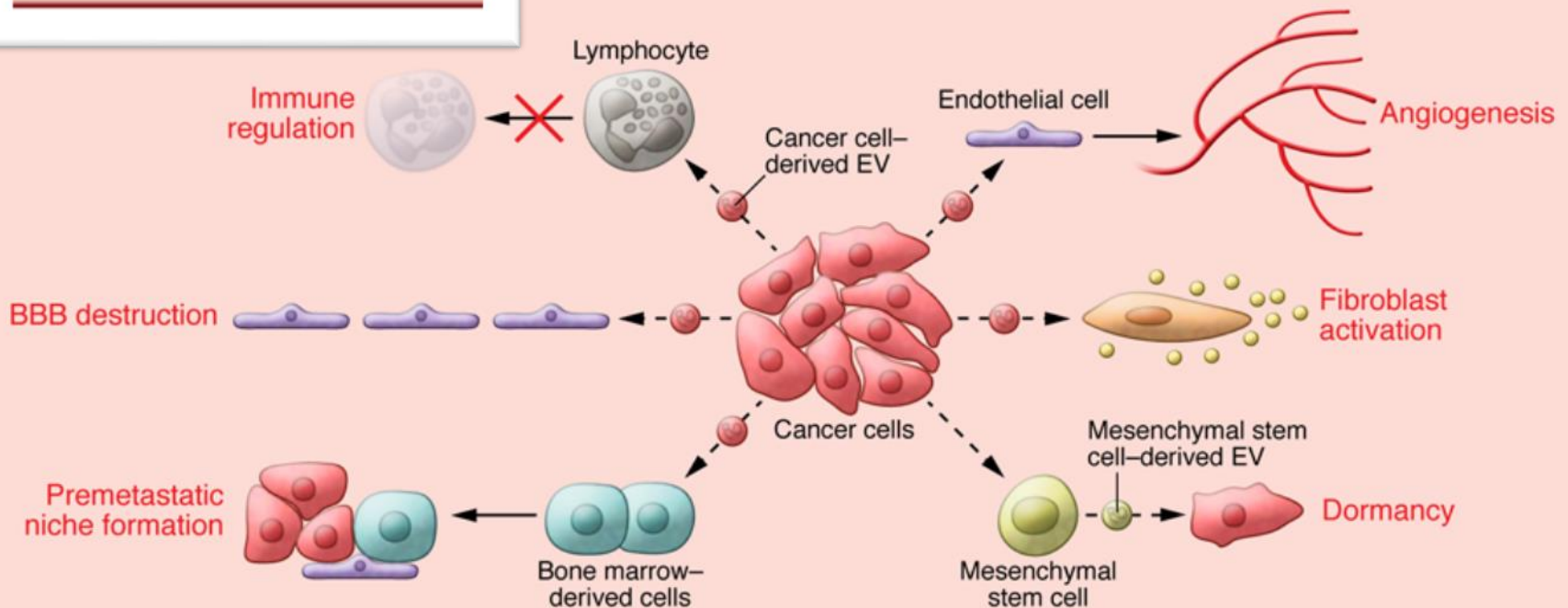
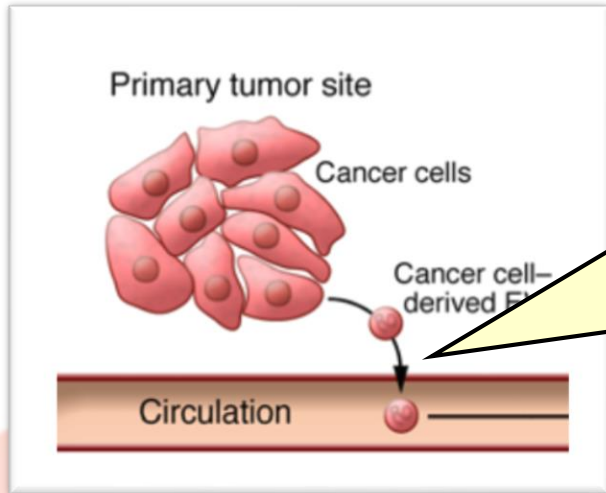
- miRNAs are short noncoding RNAs consisting of 17–25 nucleotides.
- miRNAs regulate gene expression by inhibiting the translation of target mRNAs.
- A total of 2656 miRNAs were identified (miRBase 22).





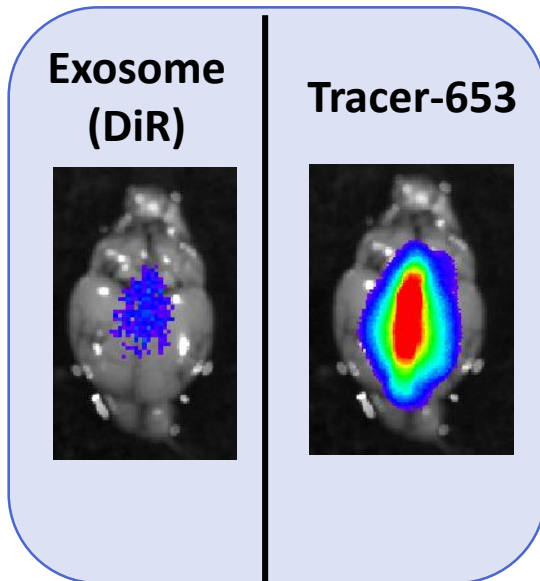
# Circulating miRNAs

- Stably present in the circulation
- Taken up by the other cells (assist cancer progression)
- **Good candidate of non-invasive biomarkers for cancer diagnosis**

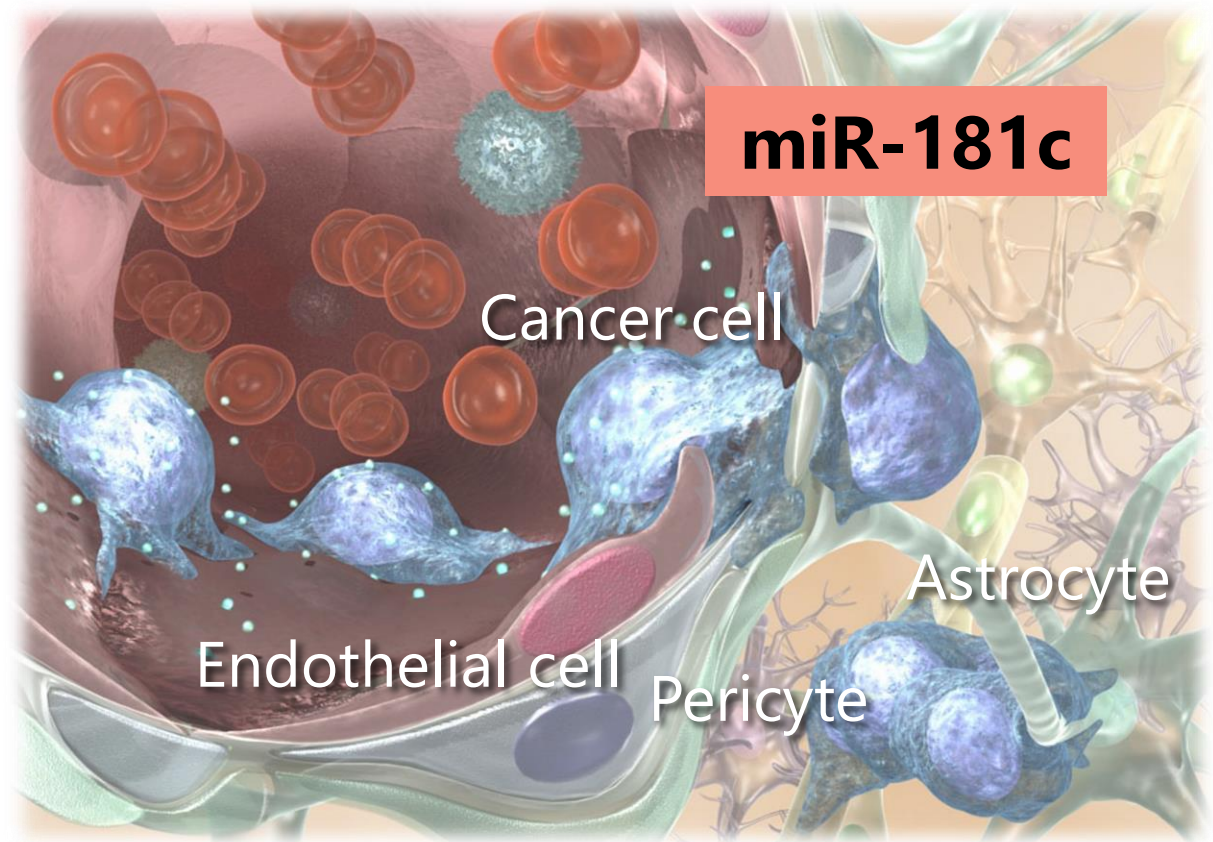




# 乳がん由来エクソソーム内miRNAによるBBBの破壊



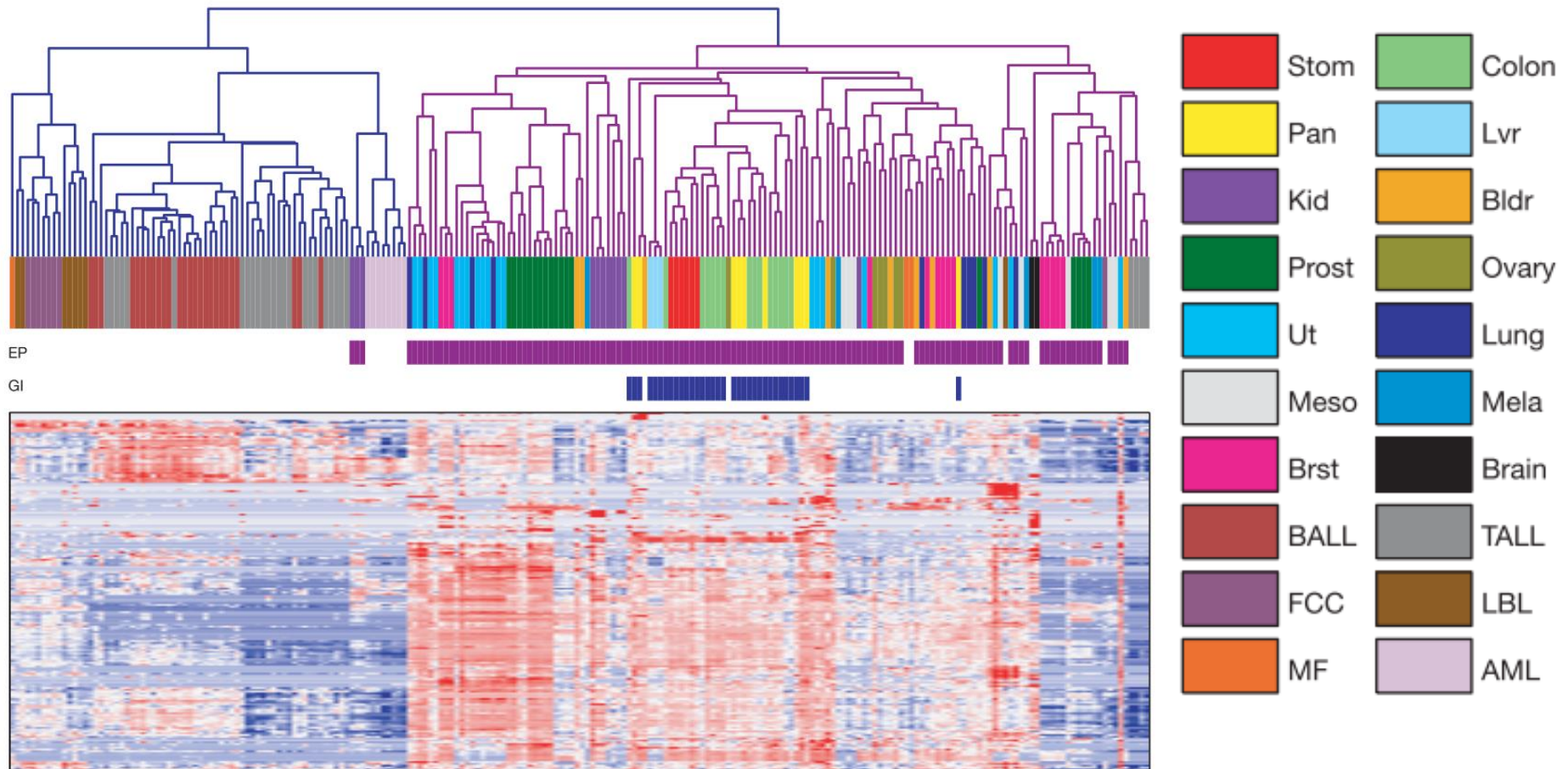
BMD2a DiR-labeled EVs treatment (5  $\mu$ g/animal)



## LETTERS

## MicroRNA expression profiles classify human cancers

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(Lu et al. *Nature* 435:834, 2005)

# Circulating microRNAs and extracellular vesicles as potential cancer biomarkers: a systematic review

MEDLINE searching on  
January 20, 2017

2,686 papers



Studies about circulating  
miRNAs or EVs as cancer  
biomarkers

876 papers



Studies feasible to grasp  
the potential of circulating  
miRNAs or EVs as cancer  
biomarkers

219 papers

**Table 1** The 10 most frequently documented miRNAs in cancer

	Cancer site	Representative targets <sup>a</sup>
hsa-miR-21-5p	Hepatocellular, colorectal, breast, lung, pancreatic, nasopharyngeal	<i>PTEN, PDCD4, RPS7</i>
hsa-miR-221-3p	Hepatocellular, colorectal, lung, sarcoma	<i>CDKN1B, KIT, TMED7</i>
hsa-miR-155-5p	Lung, breast, colorectal, pancreatic, laryngeal	<i>CEBPB, SOCS1, TP53INP1</i>
hsa-miR-223-3p	Hepatocellular, colorectal, lung, esophageal, pancreatic, sarcoma	<i>IGF1R, FBXW7, NFIA</i>
hsa-miR-92a-3p	Colorectal, hepatocellular, breast, gastric, endometrial	<i>BCL2L11, FOXN2, SOX4</i>
hsa-miR-16-5p	Breast, esophageal, gastric, lung, melanoma, pancreatic, ovarian	<i>BCL2, VEGFA, CCNE1</i>
hsa-miR-20a-5p	Lung, colorectal, gastric, hepatocellular, pancreatic	<i>CCND1, TGFBR2, E2F1</i>
hsa-miR-141-3p	Colorectal, hepatocellular, breast, lung	<i>ZEB2, ZEB1, YRDC</i>
hsa-miR-145-5p	Colorectal, hepatocellular, lung, breast, gastric, ovarian	<i>IRS1, FSCN1, POU5F1</i>
hsa-miR-210-3p	Colorectal, breast, lung, pancreatic, glioma, hepatocellular, melanoma, renal, bladder	<i>EFNA3, ISCU, E2F3</i>

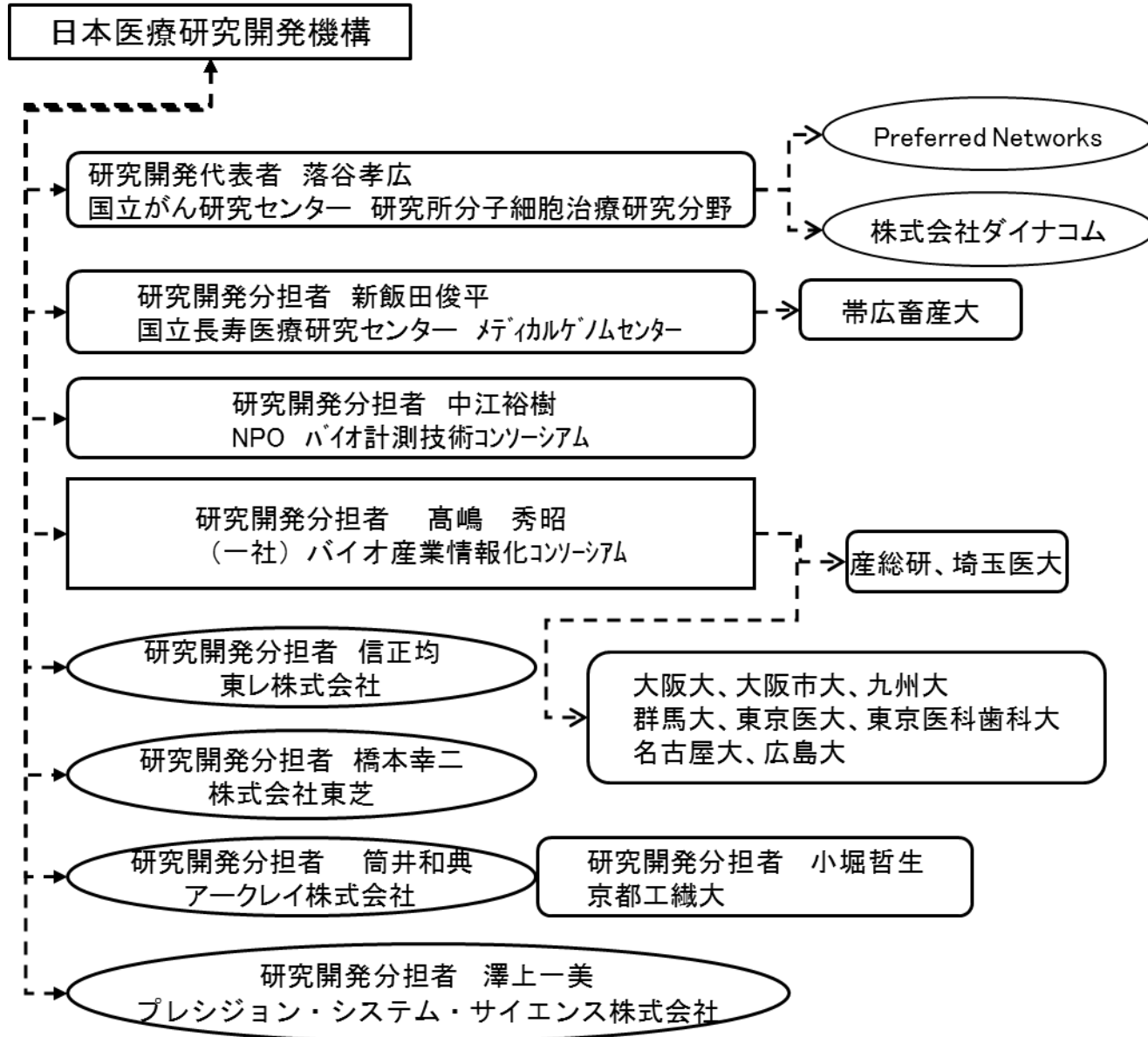
<sup>a</sup> The top 3 reported genes according to miRTarBase







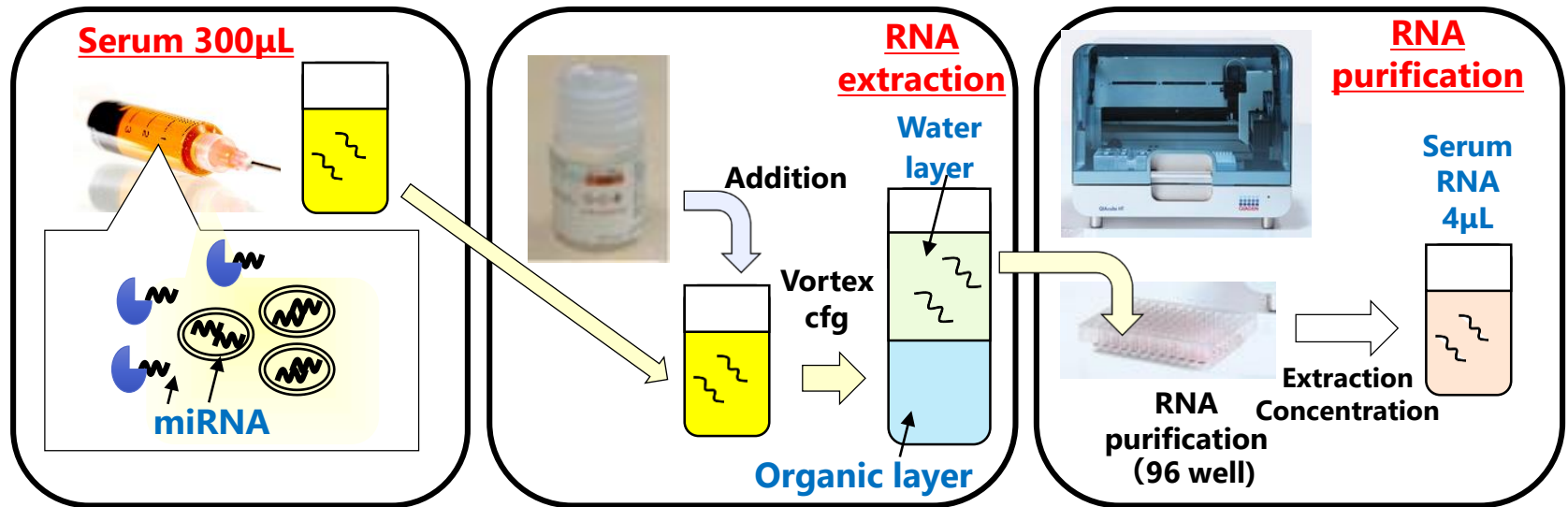
# Members in the project



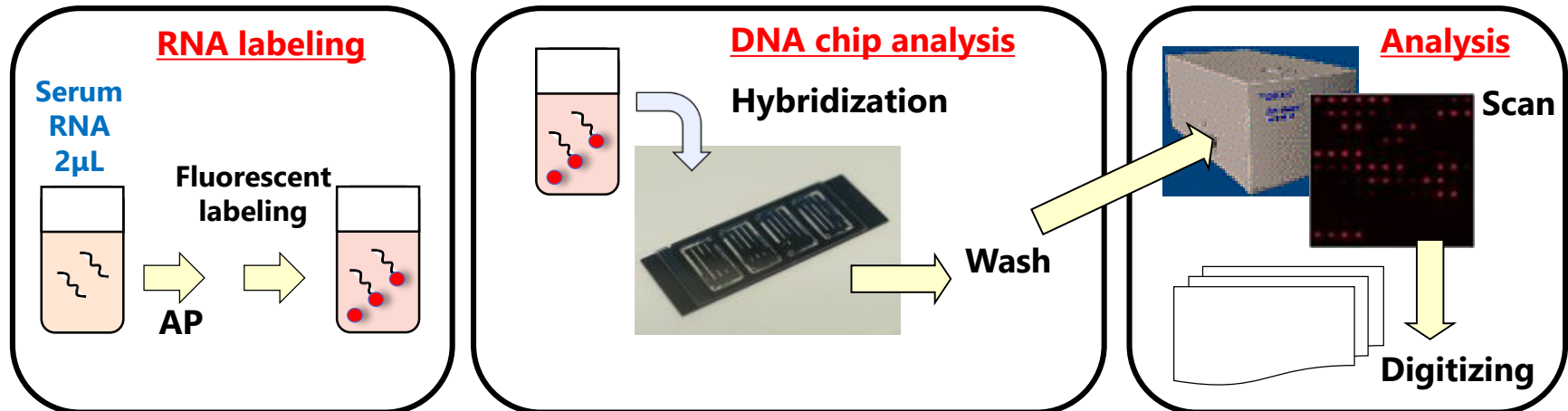


# Circulating miRNA microarray analysis

## 1. Total RNA extraction from serum



## 2. Comprehensive miRNA analysis with DNA chips



2500 samples / month

# Analytical steps

**2,588 miRNA expression levels for each sample (miRBase rel. 21)**



## **Normalization**

(internal control miRNAs: miR-149-3p, miR-2861, miR-4463)

(Shimomura, Matsuzaki et al. Cancer Sci 2016)



**Samples were randomly divided into training & validation sets**



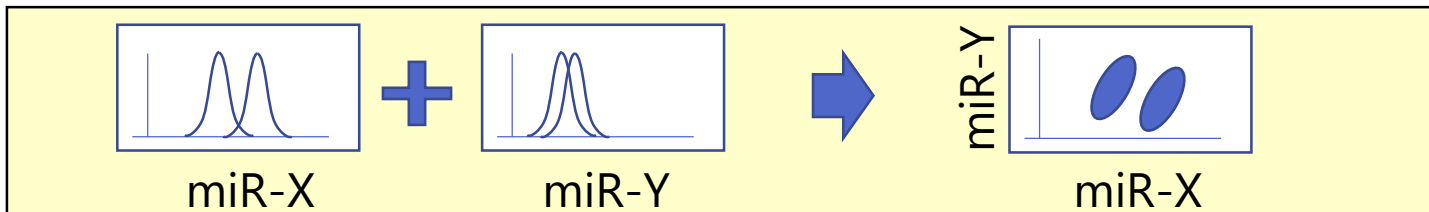
**Construction of discriminant models in the training set**



**Validation**



# Fisher線形判別 + 組合せ最適化



**Pivot (1)**

miR- $\alpha$

miR- $\beta$

miR- $\gamma$

...

...

...

miR-X

Select best 20

miR- $\beta$

miR- $\gamma$

miR- $\delta$

...

miR-X

miR- $\alpha$

miR- $\gamma$

miR- $\delta$

...

miR-X

miR- $\alpha$

miR- $\beta$

miR- $\delta$

...

miR-X

...

残りのmiRNA

クロスバリデーション  
に基づく診断精度を  
指標に並べ替え

**Pivot (2)**

miR- $\zeta, \beta$

miR- $\zeta, \delta$

miR- $\lambda, \beta$

...

...

miR- $\epsilon, \gamma$

Select best 20

miR- $\alpha$

miR- $\gamma$

miR- $\delta$

...

miR-X

miR- $\alpha$

miR- $\beta$

miR- $\gamma$

...

miR-X

miR- $\alpha$

miR- $\gamma$

miR- $\delta$

...

miR-X

...

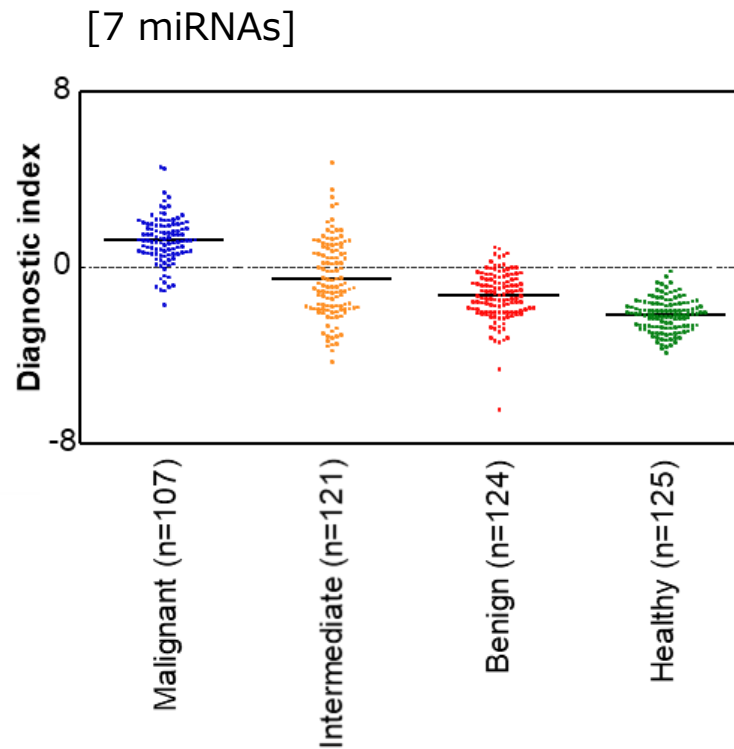
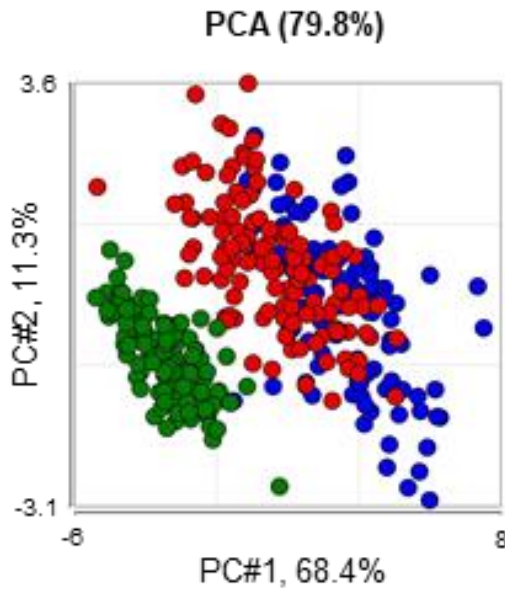
残りのmiRNA

指定された  
回数まで  
反復

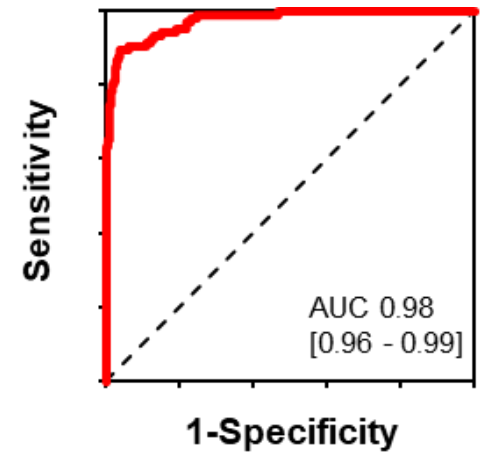


# Detection of sarcoma

- Malignant (n=117)
- Benign (n=134)
- Healthy (n=125)



Validation set

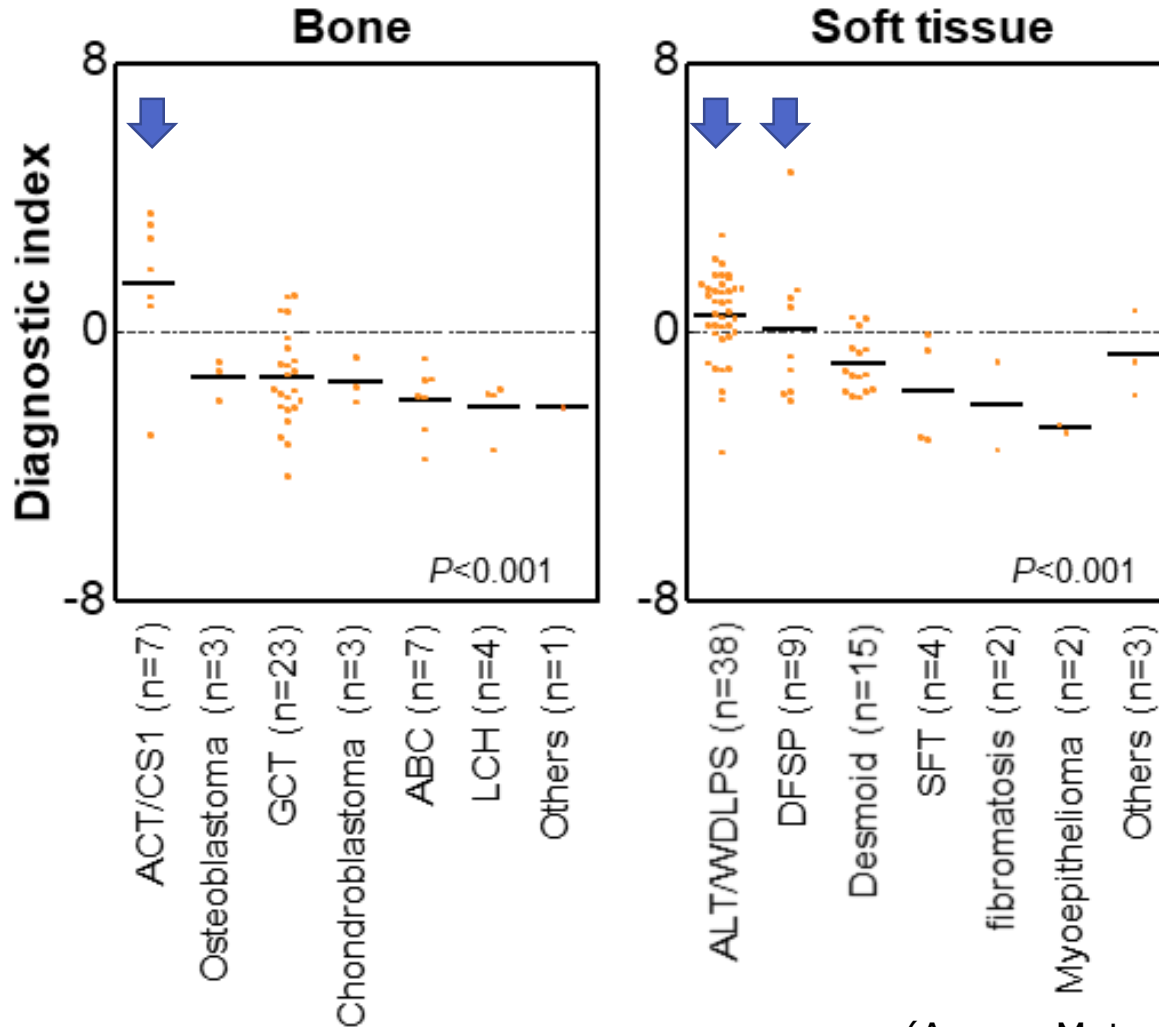


**Sensitivity, 0.90**  
**Specificity, 0.95**

# miRNA index and histological subtypes in intermediate tumors

[7 miRNAs]

Intermediate



miRNA index was associated with malignant transformation potential in intermediate tumors.

# Detection of prostate cancer

**1050 patients with serum RNA samples**

809 PCa (positive prostate biopsy)  
241 NPBx (negative prostate biopsy)

**Discovery set**

41 PCa  
41 NPBx

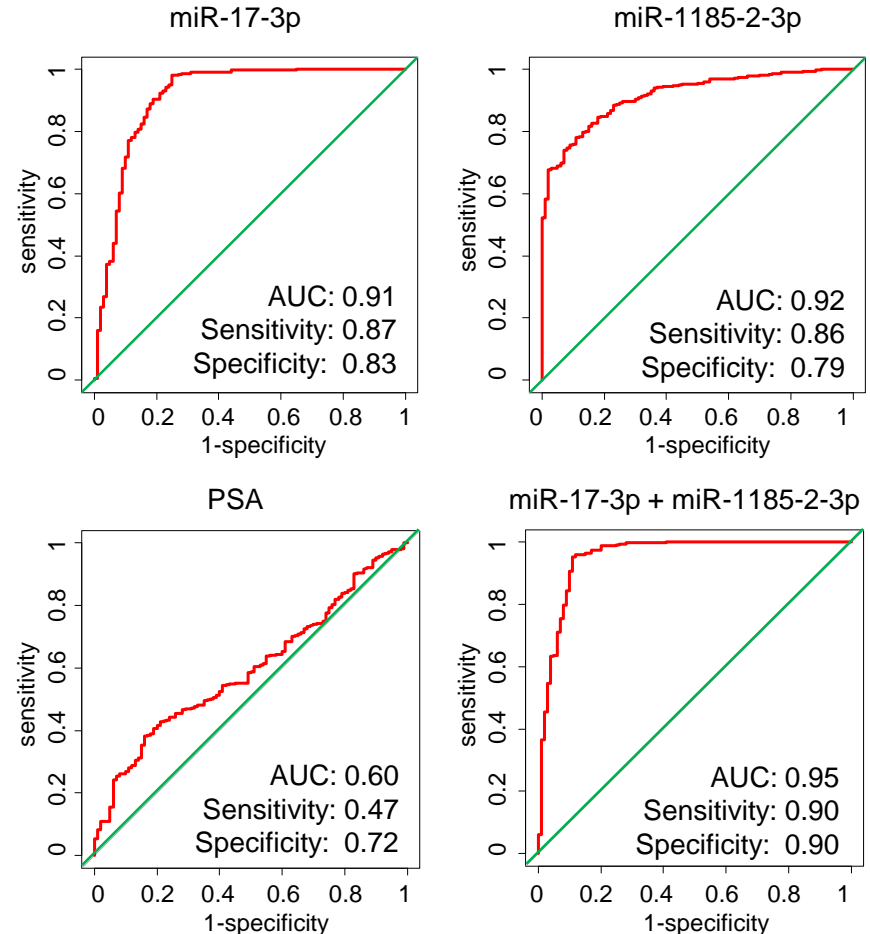
**Training set**

384 PCa  
100 NPBx

**Validation set**

384 PCa  
100 NPBx

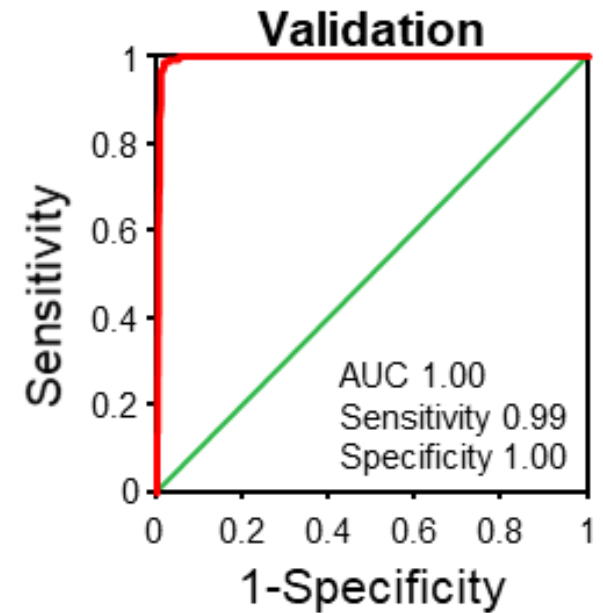
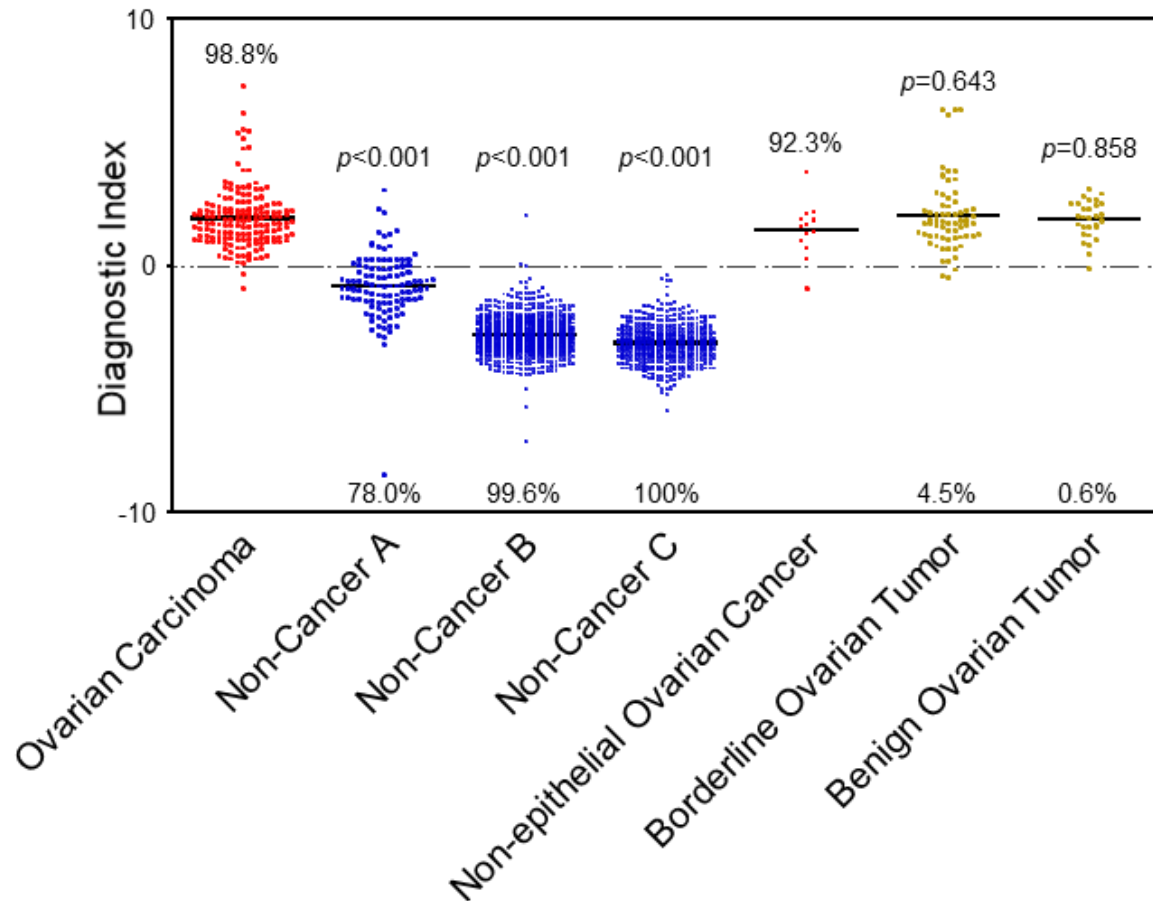
Validation set





# Detection of ovarian cancer

[10 miRNAs]

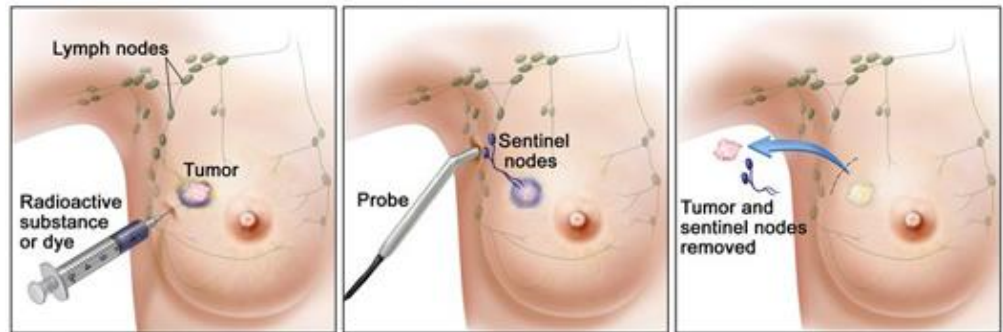
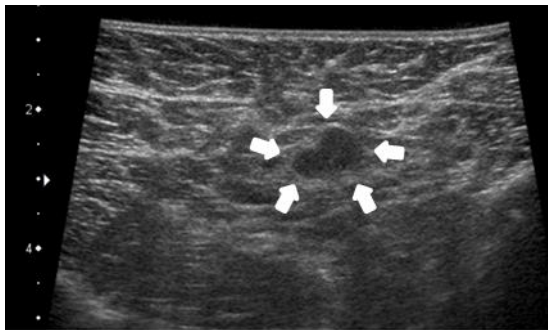


**Diagnostic index** =  $(0.996) \times \text{miR-4687-3p} + (-0.741) \times \text{miR-939-5p} + (0.718) \times \text{miR-5739} + (-0.798) \times \text{miR-211-3p} + (0.719) \times \text{miR-1273g-3p} + (1.036) \times \text{miR-3663-3p} + (0.520) \times \text{miR-4726-5p} + (-0.583) \times \text{miR-4745-5p} + (0.786) \times \text{miR-1268b} + (-0.223) \times \text{miR-658} - 25.0$

(Yokoi, Matsuzaki et al. *Nat Commun*, 2018)

# Preoperative prediction of lymph node metastasis

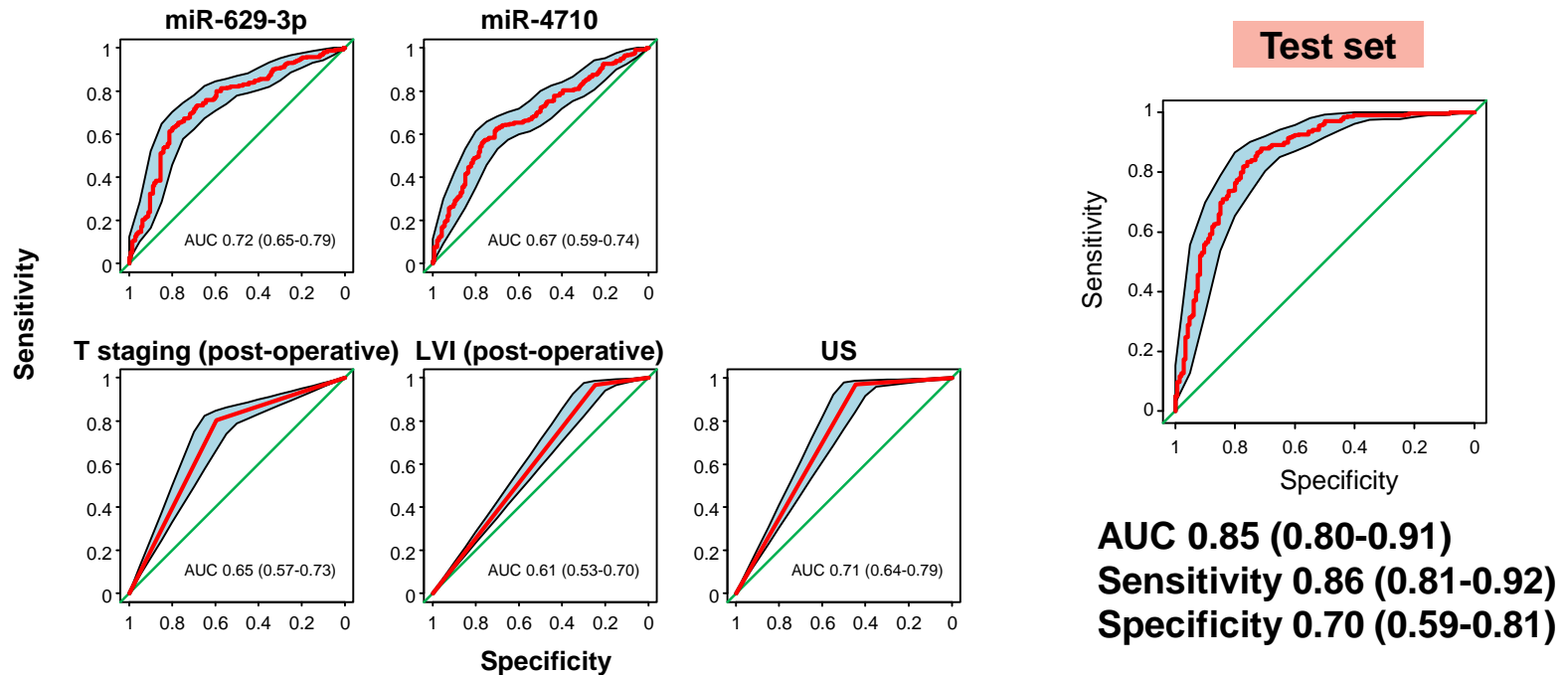
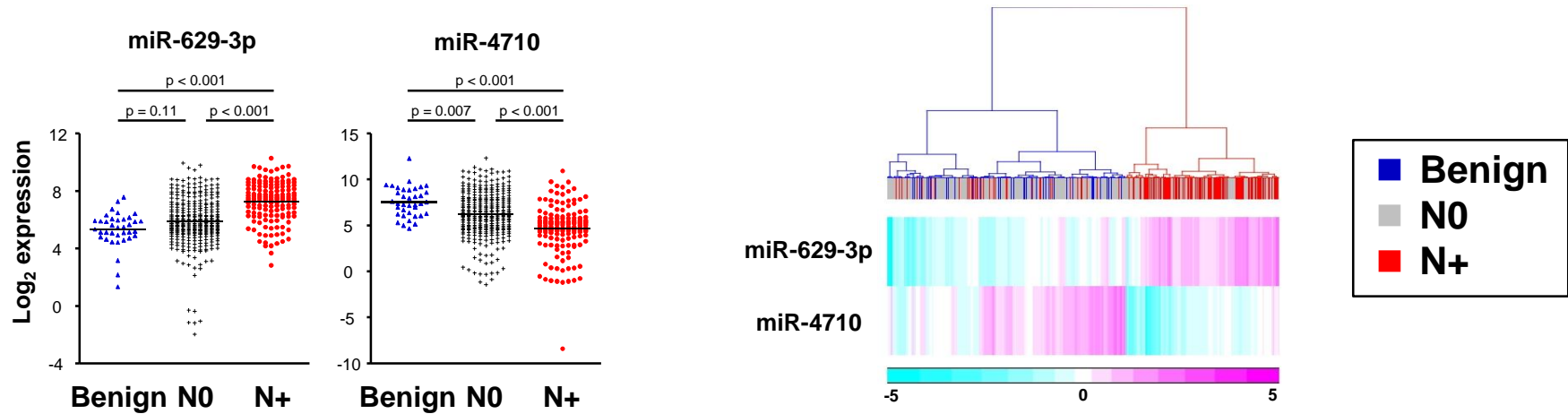
- ✓ Sentinel lymph node biopsy (SLNB) has become the gold-standard, less invasive procedure to evaluate the axillary lymph node metastasis<sup>1</sup>.
- ✓ SLNs, which are considered as lymph nodes which receives first drainage from tumor, can be detected by radioactive dye.
- ✓ **The morbidity after SLNB is not negligible.**
  - impaired shoulder range of motion, pain<sup>2</sup>
  - Radiation exposure for pregnant female surgeons<sup>3</sup>



➔ **Biomarkers to predict the need of SLNB are required!**

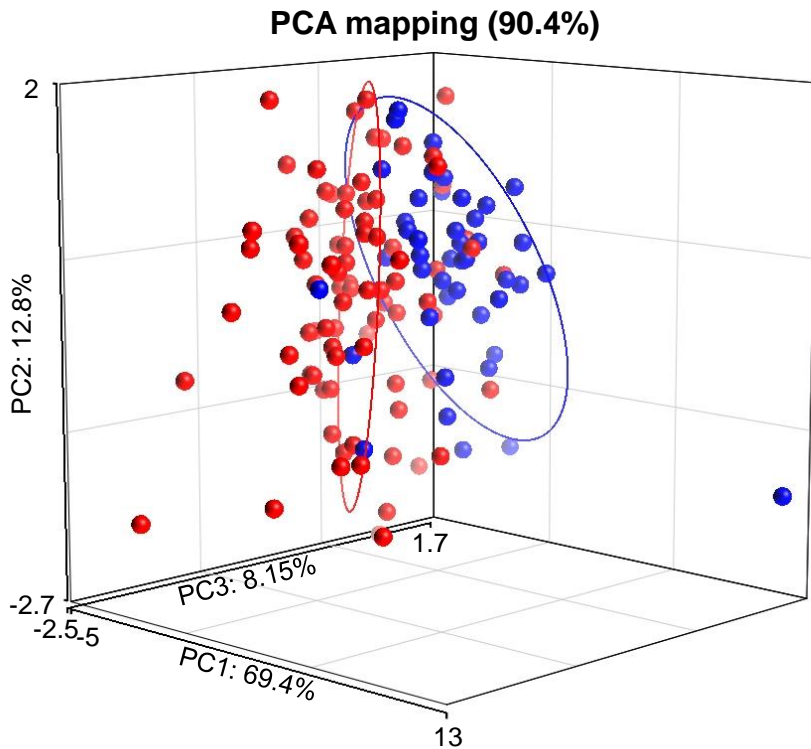
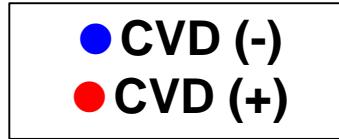
1. Krag et al. Lancet Oncol, 2010.
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3. Kimura et al. Breast Cancer 2015.

# Diagnostic accuracy

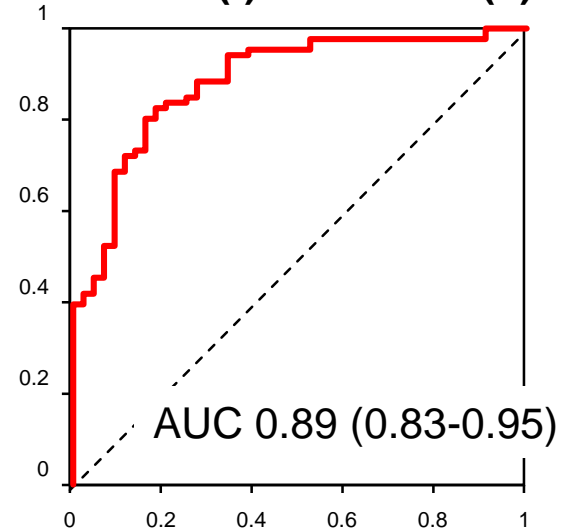
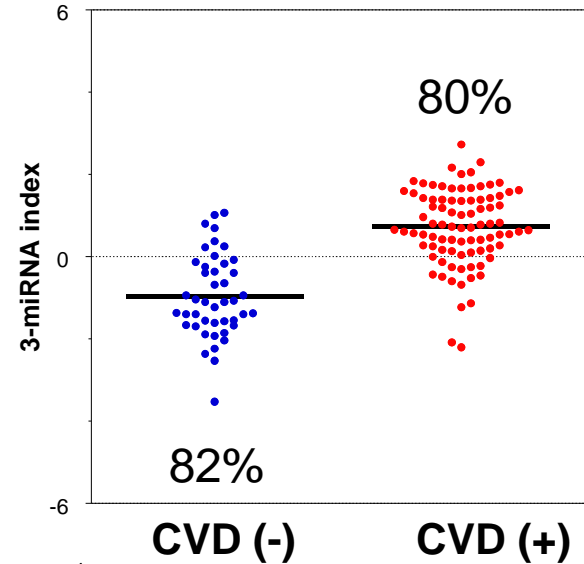


# Risk prediction of stroke

[3 miRNAs]



Validation set





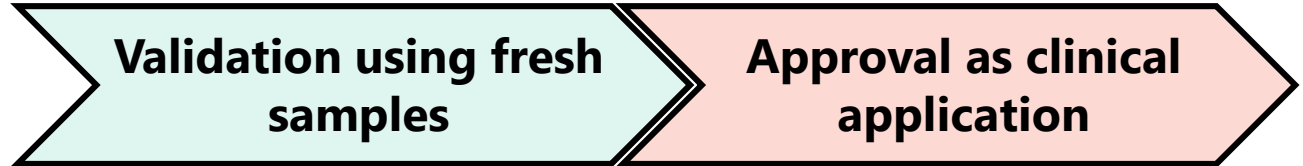
# Summary

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- Circulating miRNA profiles...
  - provide us accurate cancer diagnosis in the early stage.
  - predict cancer localization.
  - could be useful to improve therapeutic strategies

# NEXT STEP

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# 血清中マイクロRNAによる疾患横断的 早期診断技術開発研究における前向き検証研究

## 対 象

- 登録症例数(予定): **3440例**

### <内訳>

胃がん, 大腸がん, 肺がん, 乳がん, 前立腺がん: **各280例**

食道がん, 膵臓がん, 肝臓がん, 胆道がん, 膀胱がん,  
卵巣がん, 神経膠腫/頭蓋内悪性腫瘍, 肉腫など: **各180例**

非悪性腫瘍症例: **男性200例, 女性200例**

# NEXT STEP



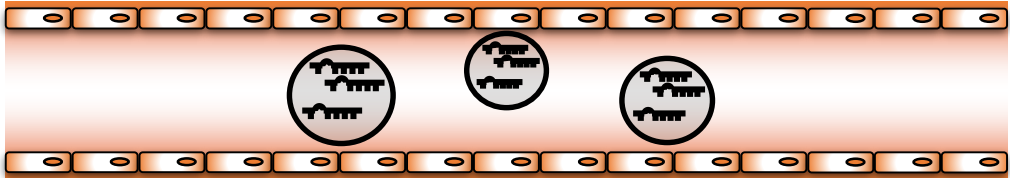
**Validation using fresh  
samples**

**Approval as clinical  
application**

**Investigation of the “natural history” of  
circulating miRNAs**

- ✓ Understand reasons for false-positive and false-negative
- ✓ Reveal novel mechanisms of disease development/progression
- ✓ Identify potential preventive/therapeutic targets

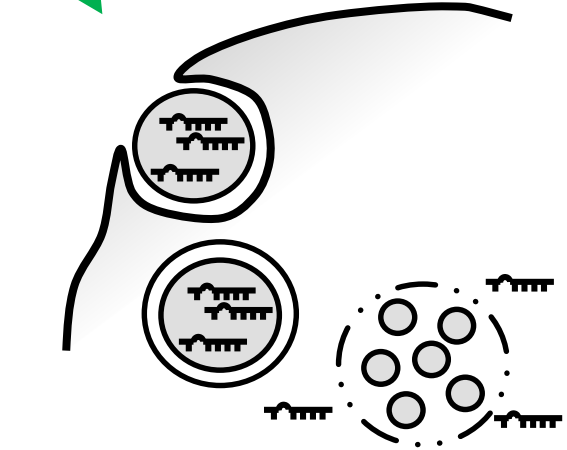
# Circulation



## Donor cells

- Platelets
- Immune cells (innate? acquired?)
- Endothelial cells
- Mesenchymal cells
- Adipose tissue
- Large organ

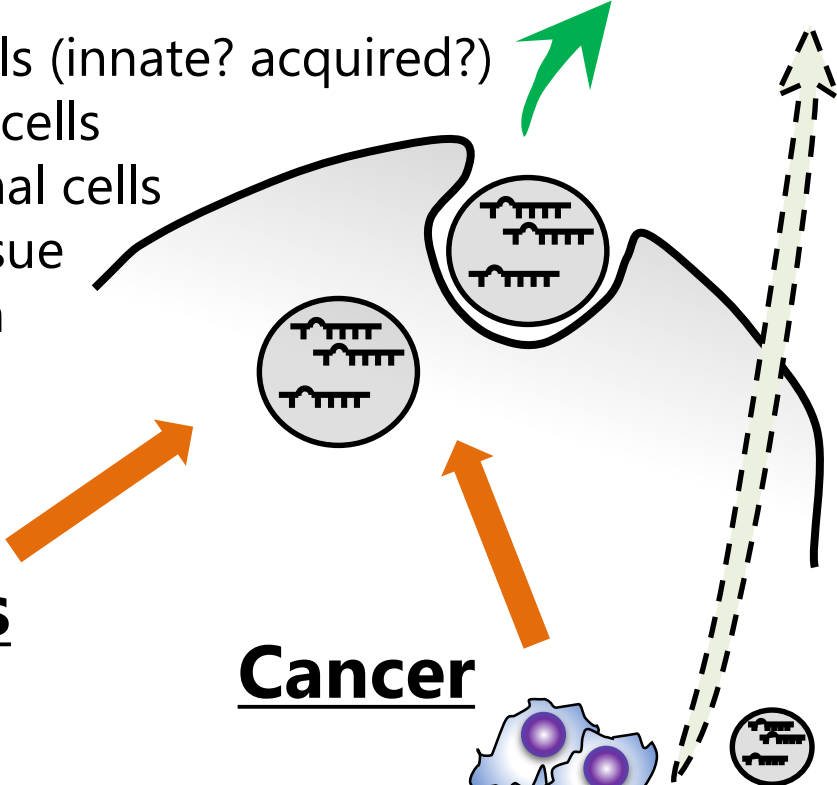
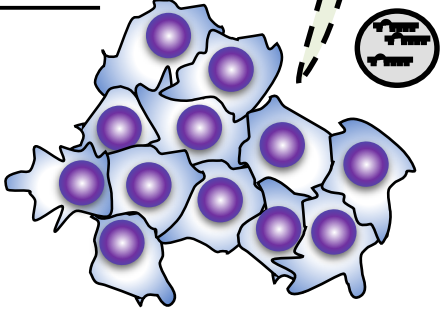
## Recipient cells



## Triggers

- Obesity
- Diabetes
- Dysbiosis
- Hypoxia
- Psychological stress

## Cancer





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