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**A New Genetic Test for Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Risk – *with transformational potential***

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# A Polygenic Risk Score test for Alzheimer's Disease

*variaTECT*<sup>™</sup> and *SNPfitR*<sup>™</sup> provide an accurate genetic blood test for the assessment of Alzheimer's Disease risk



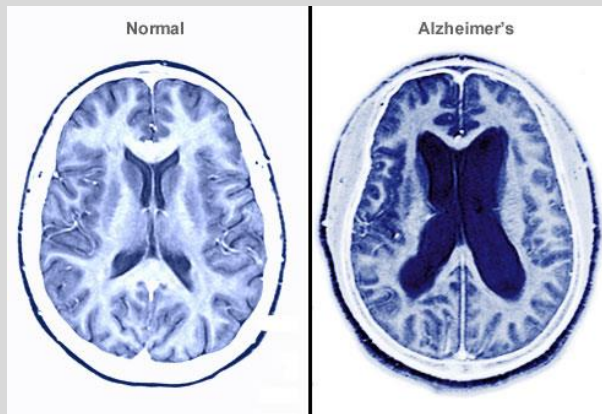
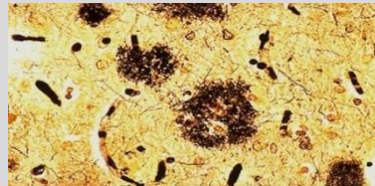
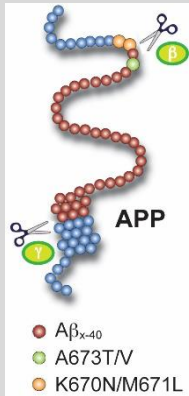
**Best in class genotyping platform with one software solution offering two analysis options for amyloid PET positivity:-**

1. Assist Pharma in stratifying trial subjects
2. Support academic research
3. Clinical test for physicians

**95%**  
Amyloid Positive  
Predictive Value

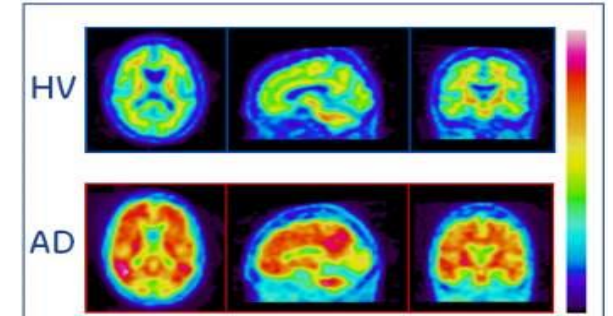
# Biomarkers are crucial to the early identification of Alzheimer's Disease

***“Genetic analysis is the most effective way of deciding who should be assessed for early disease”***  
– Professor John Hardy



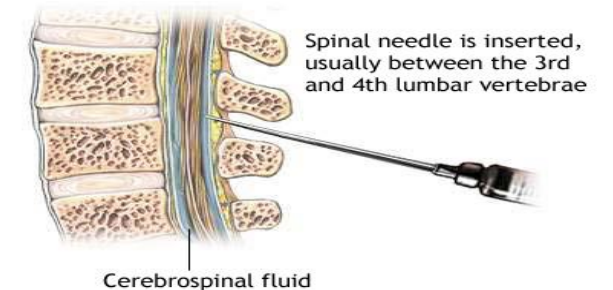
**Detection of early changes is key:**  
**Working at the molecular level**

- **PET Imaging:**  
Very expensive and limited availability
- **Lumbar Puncture:**  
Invasive and high risk; limited reproducibility



**Brain Amyloid Imaging**

PET – Positron Emission Tomography



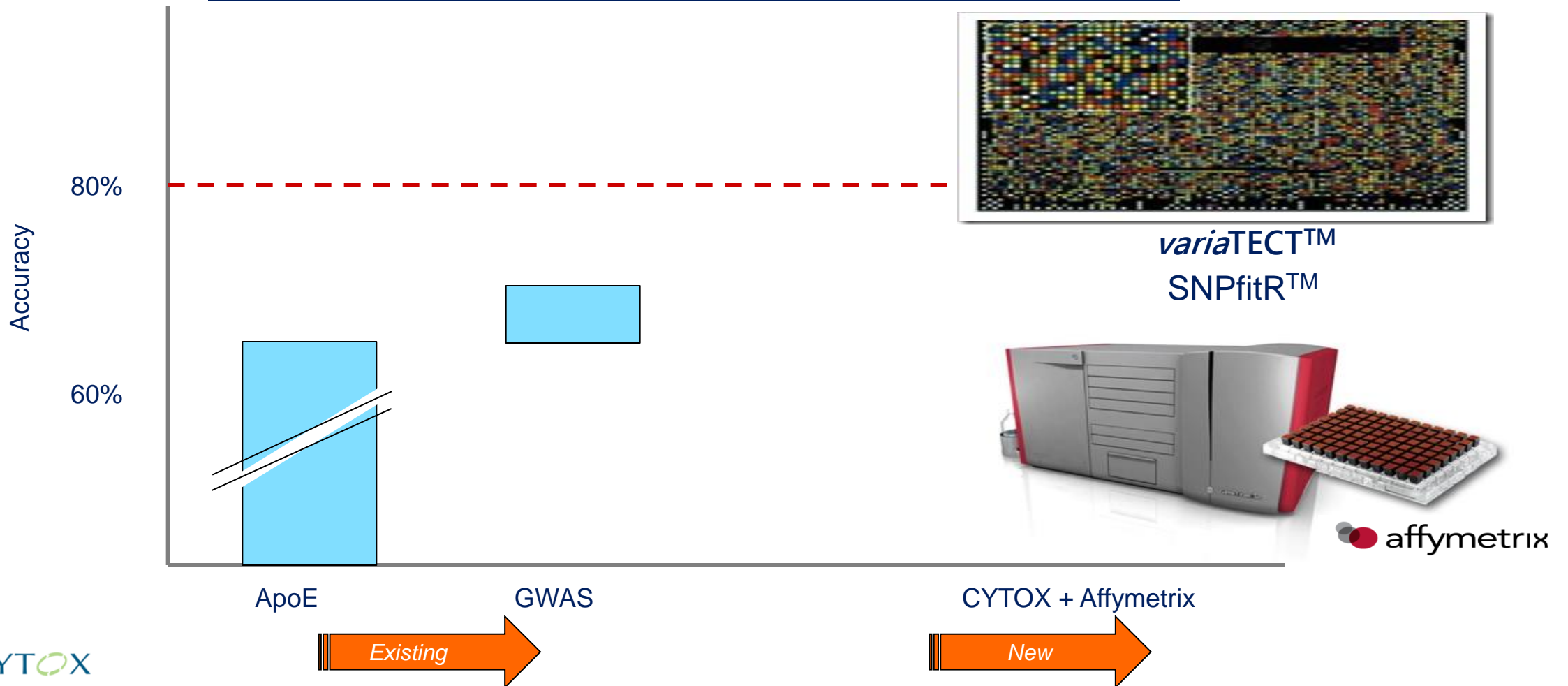
**Lumbar Puncture**

CSF – amyloid and tau fragments

# Genetic building block strategy: Polygenic Risk Score

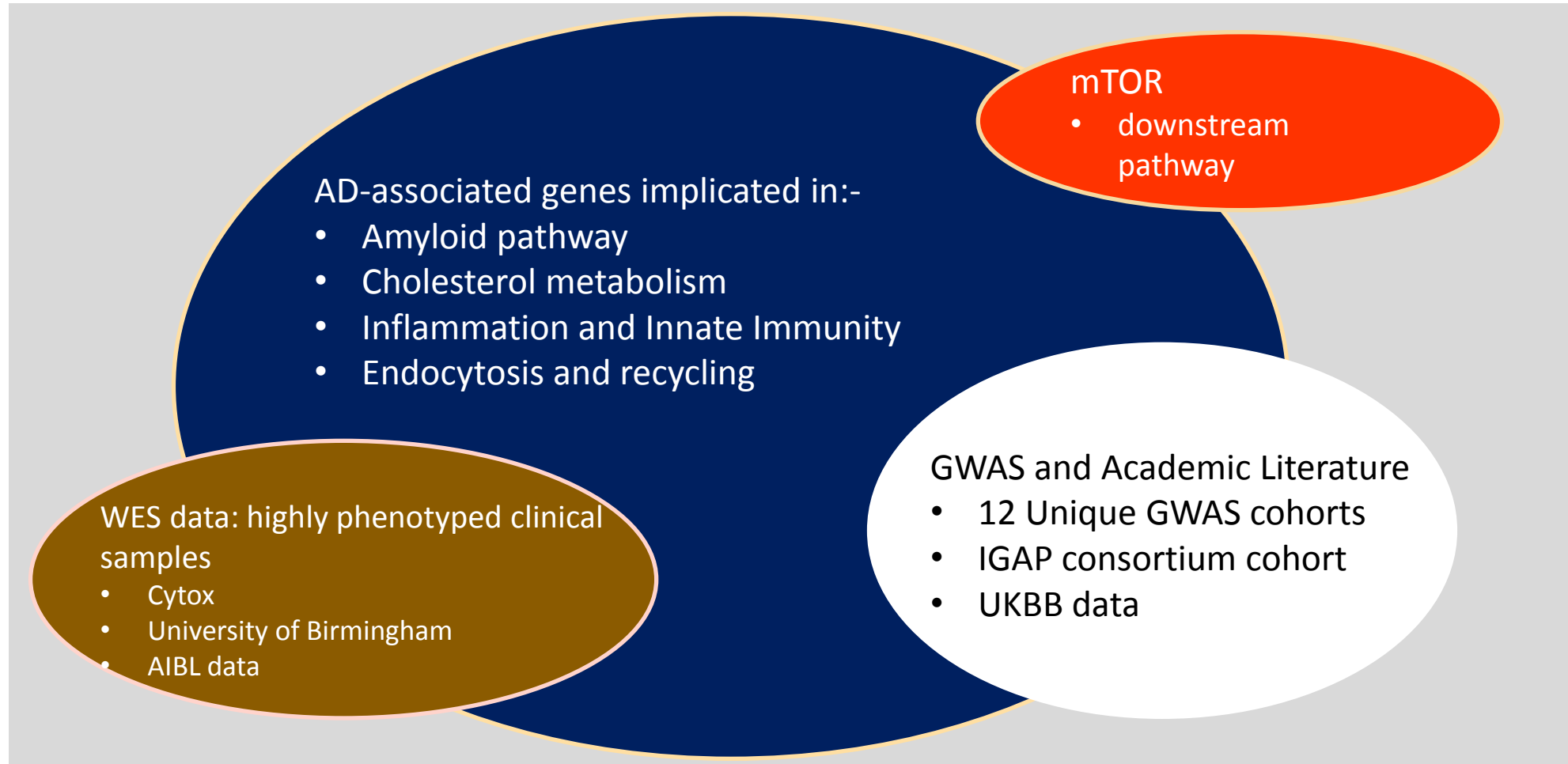
A polygenic risk score (PRS) algorithm is a sum of genetic risk

1. Comprehensive AD SNP genotyping array
2. Amyloid stratification PRS algorithm
3. *genoTOR* PRS algorithm for identification of clinical AD risk



# The *varia*TECT™ SNP array: ~130,000 SNPs

The *varia*TECT™ panel is the most comprehensive panel available for the detection of Alzheimer's Disease informative SNPs, comprising novel and known variants in genes pertaining to pathways implicated in Alzheimer Disease aetiology



# Polygenic Risk Score (PRS): modelling and validation

- Two basic models:-
  - **Hypothesis-driven variant selection (Model 1)**
  - **Hypothesis-free variant selection (Model 2)**
- All PRS models trained in PET-amyloid (or CSF) – confirmed cases and controls
- Blind validation of models in clinically assessed, post-mortem, pathology-confirmed cases and controls

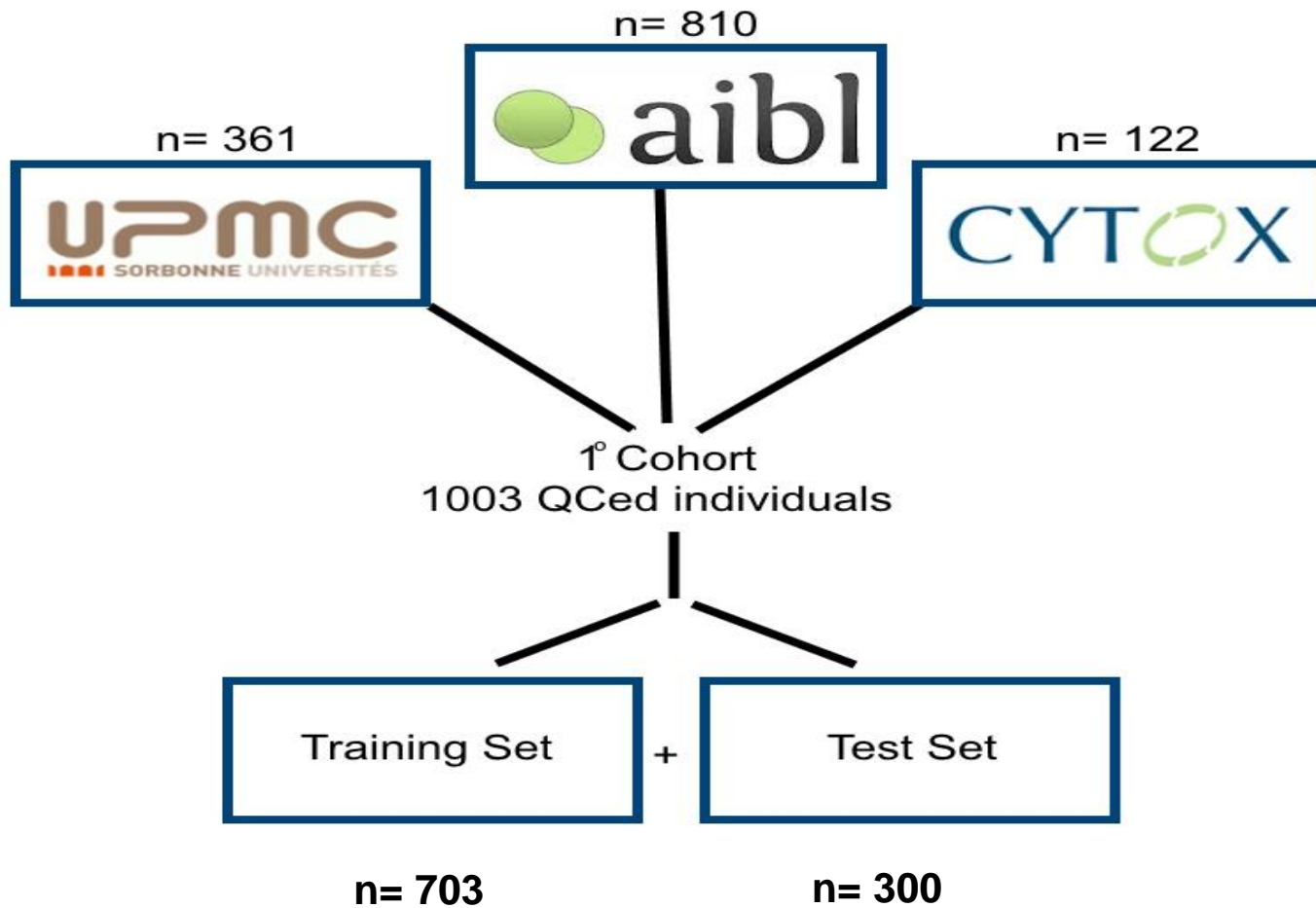
## **Training and test clinical samples:-**

- AIBL                      Simon Laws, Colin Masters, Larry Ward
- INSIGHT                Harald Hampel, Bruno Dubois, Simone Lista
- KU Leuven              Rik Vandenberghe, Isabelle Cleynen

## **Validation Samples:-**

- UPenn (Brain Bank)              John Trojanowski, Virginia Lee, Vivianna Van Deerlin, David Irwin

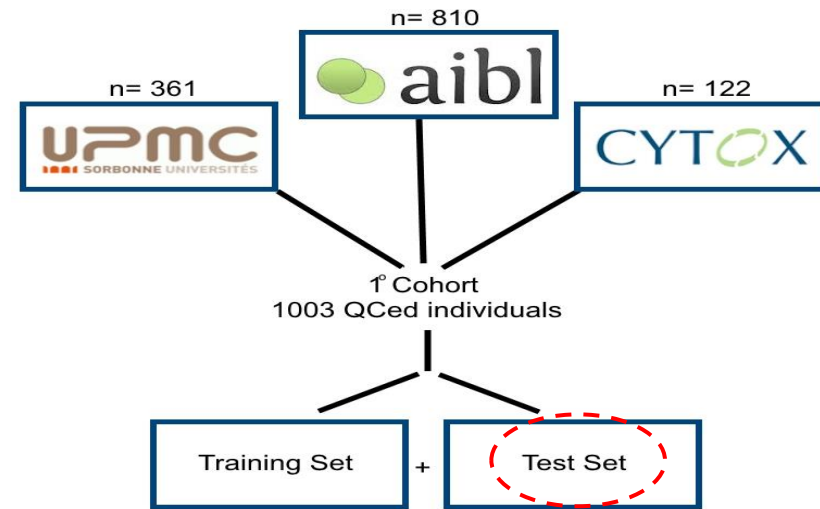
# Training set description



Age (mean)	72.82
Age (range)	55-93
Method of amyloid analysis	PET/CSF
Sample Size	703
Gender ratio M:F	296:407
Ethnicity	Caucasian

% Amyloid +ve	35%
ApoE4 carrier	31%
<b>Clinical Diagnosis</b>	
- Cognitively Normal	76%
- MCI	9%
- Alzheimer's Disease	15%

# Test set results



Sample Size	<b>300</b>
% Amyloid +ve	34%
ApoE4 carrier	35%
<b><i>Clinical Diagnosis</i></b>	
- Cognitively Normal	71%
- MCI	12%
- Alzheimer's Disease	17%

Model name	Sensitivity	Specificity	<b>AUC</b>	PPV_33	NPV_33
1	72.55%	72.73%	<b>78.93%</b>	80.12%	63.62%
2	86.29%	86.22%	<b>94.35%</b>	89.07%	82.85%



# Validation test set results

## *Pathology Confirmed Samples from UPenn (blinded analysis results)*

Sample Size	<b>237</b>
% Amyloid +ve	88%
ApoE4 carrier	50%
<b><i>Clinical Diagnosis</i></b>	
- Cognitively Normal	30%
- MCI	4%
- Alzheimer's Disease	53%
- Other dementia	13%

Model	Sensitivity	Specificity	AUC	<b>PPV33</b>	NPV33
1	0.80	0.80	85.55%	<b>95.78%</b>	41.22%
2	0.72	0.72	75.12%	<b>91.51%</b>	37.98%

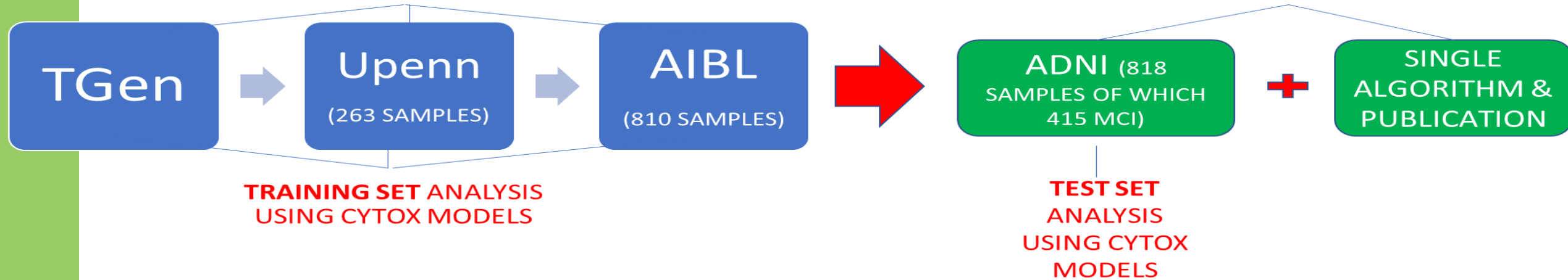
Model name	False positive rate	False negative Rate	<b>True Positive rate</b>	True Negative Rate
1	52	4.808	<b>95.192</b>	48
2	24	33.173	<b>66.827</b>	76

# Conclusions – presented at AD/PD Conference (Vienna, March 2017)

- Two basic models: Hypothesis-driven and Hypothesis-free variant selection
- Blind validation of models:-
  - True Positive Rate of 95% or greater
  - True Negative Rate around 76% is possible
- Models yield results significantly better than what is currently available in both ApoE4 negative cohorts and ApoE4 mixed cohorts

**Level of performance consistent with potential utility in population stratification in clinical trials**

# Ongoing optimisation of PRS amyloid algorithms in MCI cohorts



## PRS Algorithm locked for CLIA/LDT verification and validation:

- Research version available for collaboration today
- PRS Algorithm lock: 3Q 2017
- RUO Assay in CLIA-compliant lab: 4Q 2017

- Multiple PRS algorithms offering high overall accuracy for prediction of amyloid status
- Word-class scientific team
- Opportunities for true collaborative partnerships
  1. Stratification for clinical trials – savings in cost and time
  2. Drug responder profiling – clinical trial optimisation
  3. Companion Diagnostic approaches

*Next steps...*

# Genetics and Alzheimer's Disease Expertise

## Experienced Management Team

### **Dr Andrew Carr (Chairman)**

- GE Healthcare; Thermo Fisher; Teraview; deltaDOT; Akubio

### **Dr Richard Pither (CEO)**

- GE Healthcare; Lorantis; UCB-Celltech – Alzheimer's

### **Dr Kevin Banks (Business Strategy and Marketing)**

- ADI; Affymetrix – Genetic assay platforms

### **Dr Alex Gibson (Business Development)**

- GE Healthcare Business Development – Alzheimer's

### **Dr Jonathan Wilde (Clinical Product Development)**

- Veracyte; Astra-Zeneca – Genetic products

### **Dr Greg Davidson (Software Engineering and Regulatory)**

- Quotient Diagnostics – regulated software

## World-Class Scientific Partners

### **Prof John Hardy**

- Chair of Molecular Biology of Neurological Disease at the UCL Institute of Neurology

### **Dr Maryam Shoai**

- Post-doctoral Expert in Genetic Statistics, UCL Institute of Neurology

### **Dr Zsuzsa Nagy**

- Institute of Inflammation and Ageing, University of Birmingham

### **Profs Colin Masters, Simon Laws, Ian Cooke**

- AIBL (The Australian Imaging, Biomarker & Lifestyle Flagship Study of Ageing)

### **Profs Harald Hampel and Bruno Dubois**

- Neurological Institute of the University Salpêtrière Hospital in Paris, UPMC

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- Research Group Experimental Neurology, KU, Leuven

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