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1. Introduction

Hisashi Ietsugu, President and CEO

R&D Investment Policy

• More companies boosting healthcare offerings

- ▶ Companies entering from other fields of business
- ▶ M&A activities accelerating growth

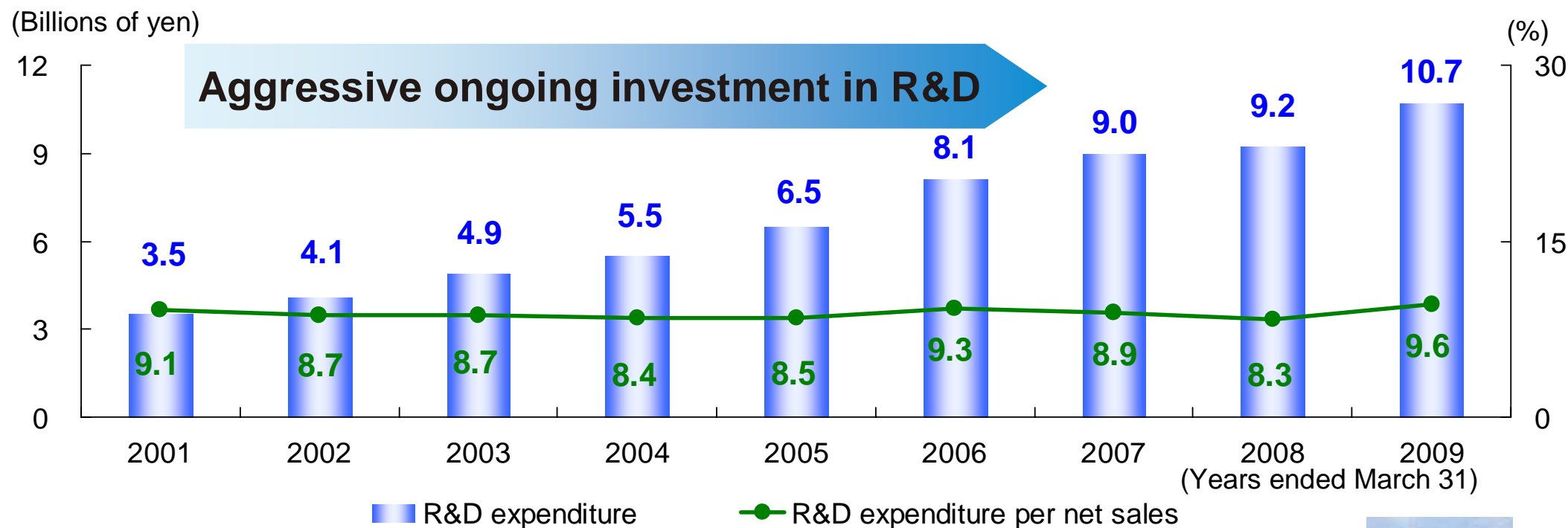


Reinforce R&D, the wellspring of corporate growth

Sysmex's Basic Policy on R&D Investment

**As a technology-oriented company,
our R&D investment benchmark is 10% of net sales.**

R&D Investment Trends



2002 International Reagents Corporation becomes subsidiary
2000 Central Research Laboratories

2004 BMA Laboratory

2006 R&D Center Europe



2008 Technopark

Expansion of Overseas Development Bases

- Recent Developments -



R&D Center Europe (Germany)

- ▶ July 2006 Opening
- ▶ October 2009 Lab relocation and expansion

Reasons for Establishment

- ✦ Clinical evaluation in hematology and life sciences
- ✦ Develop products tailored to European needs



Diagnostic Reagent Development Center in China

- ▶ December 2009 Establishment within Sysmex Wuxi Co., Ltd.

Reasons for Establishment

- ✦ Development of reagents (mainly immunochemistry)
- ✦ Joint research with local university hospitals
- ✦ Clinical evaluation



Moving into the 2nd Decade of the Central Research Laboratories



- Reason for establishing Central Research Laboratories (2000)

Contribute to development of preventive and regenerative medicine



- ▶ Lymph node metastasis testing technology (expand applicable cancer types)
- ▶ Cervical cancer screening technology
- ▶ Cancer recurrent prediction technology
- ▶ Cancer treatment effectiveness prediction technology
- ▶ Minimally invasive glucose monitoring technology
- ▶ Clinical condition simulation technology

November 2008

System for rapid detection of breast cancer lymph node metastasis based on OSNA method covered by Japanese health insurance



The gene amplification detector RD-100i



Designated reagent



Technopark (Kobe)

Realizing the “Disease Management” Concept

- ▶ Commercializing high-value-added analysis parameters
- ▶ Promoting R&D in life sciences (cancer, lifestyle diseases)

2. Direction & strategy of R&D

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Sysmex Way

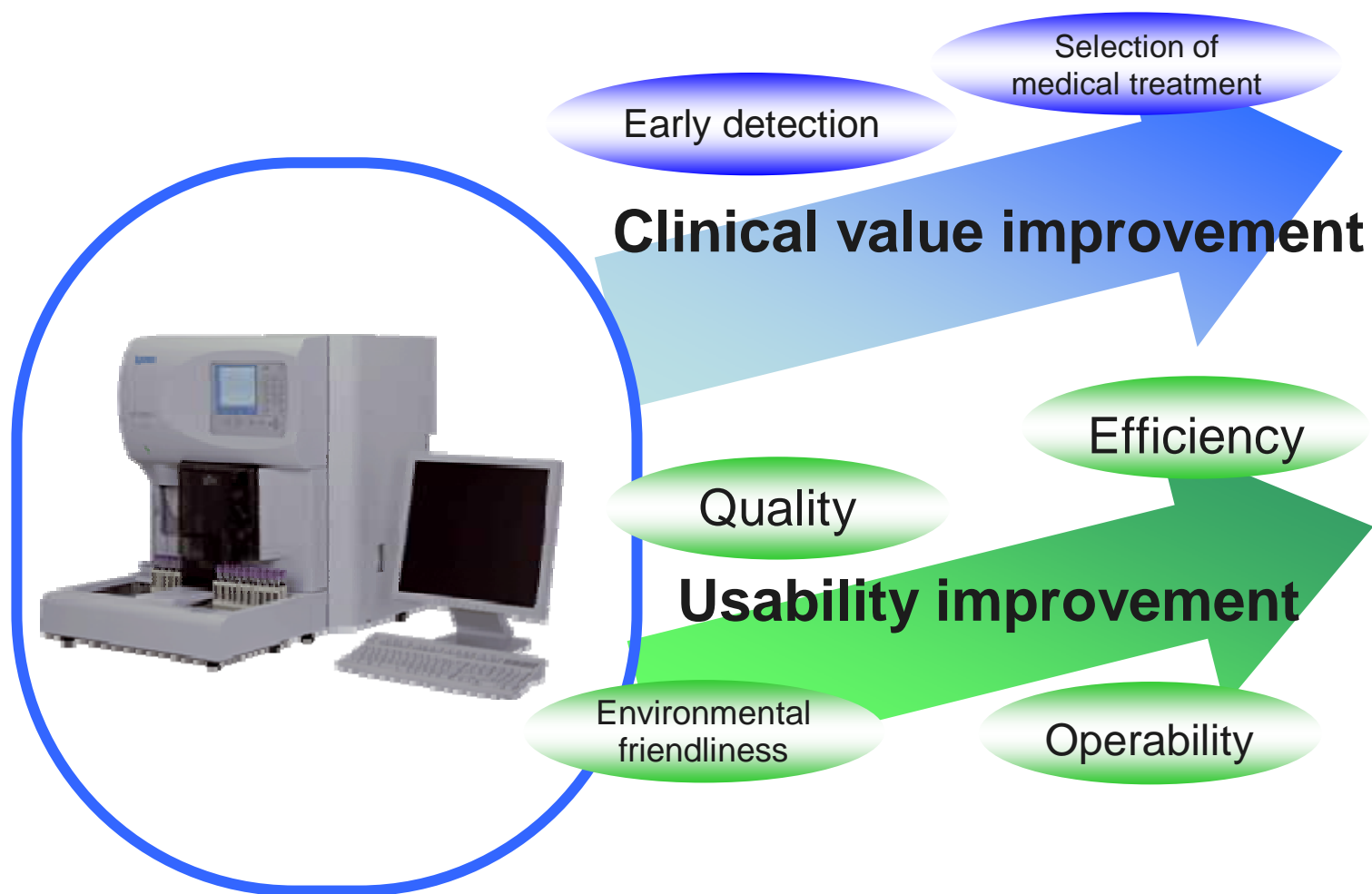
A Unique & Global Healthcare Testing Company

Providing highly valuable diagnostics testing
to optimize and standardize medical care

- Improvement of QOL / extension of healthy life expectancy
- Improvement of Medical economy value

Shaping the advancement of health care

Direction of R&D activity



Improvement of clinical value

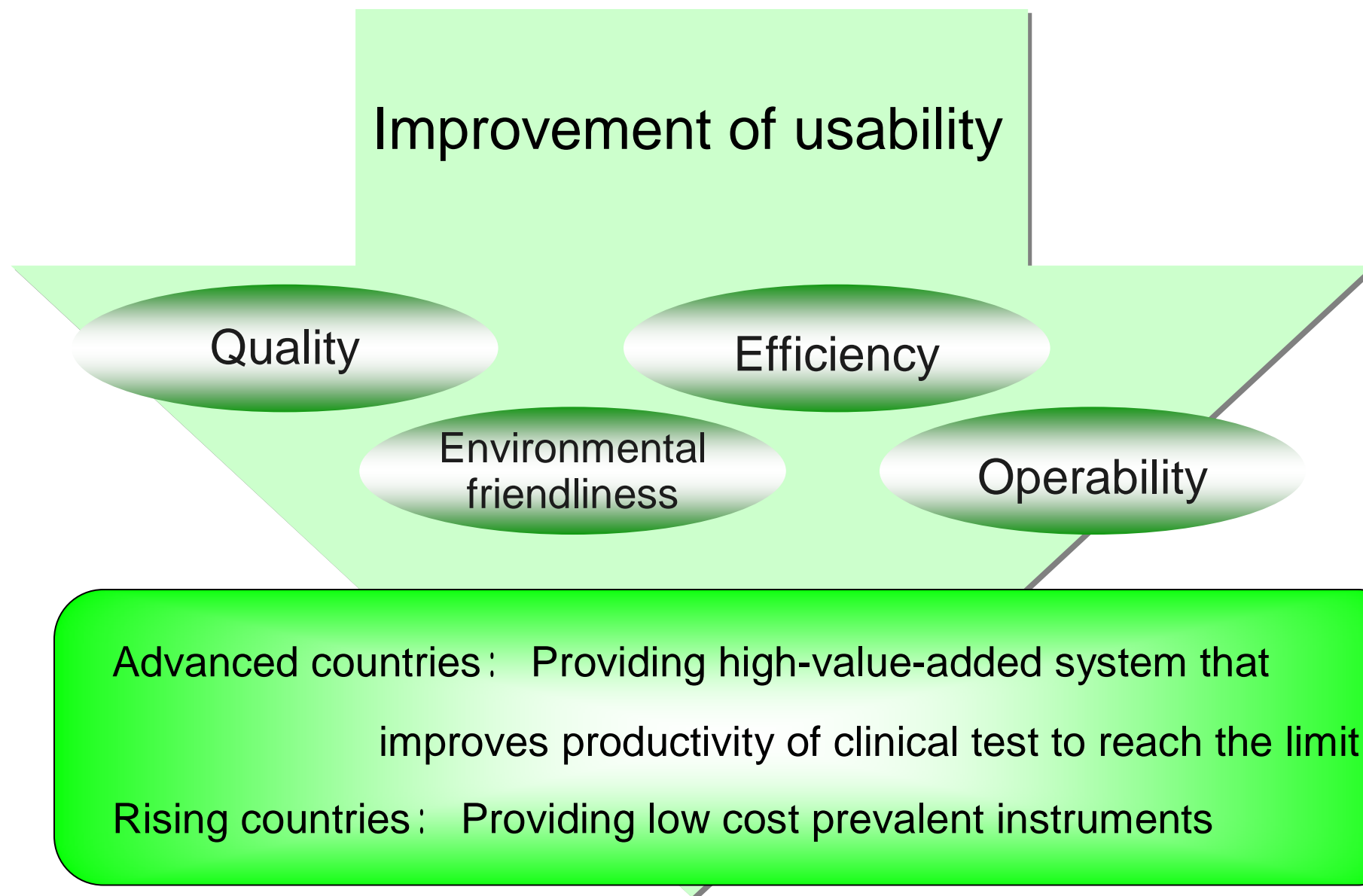
Early detection

Selection of
medical treatment

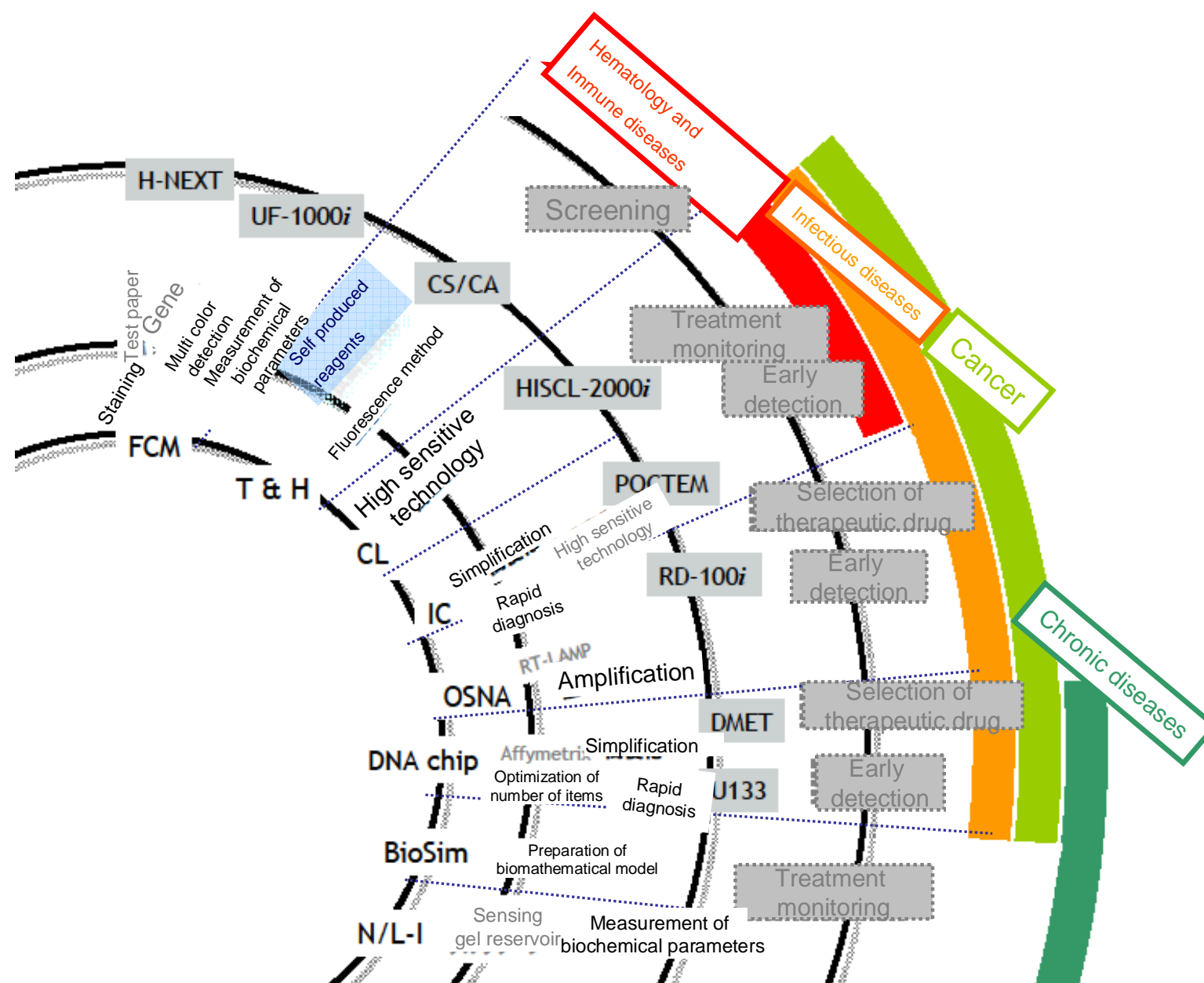
Medical treatment and diagnosis in Combination
(towards personalized medicine)

To select an effective or a free side-effect drug for individuals

Outline of technology strategy (2)



Technology platform



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1 . Reporting subjects

- Technical features of Sysmex technology and product
- Technical themes that Sysmex conducts R&D and their clinical benefits
- Outline of Sysmex Technology Strategy

2 . Policy regarding report of technological themes

To explain R&D themes in below 3 steps

< Research stage > Start of research and basic consideration

- Magnitude of value in practical use
- Explanation of future plan of R&D

< Practical stage > Elemental research, practical and product commercialization stage

- Technological impact on characteristics of products

< Launching stage > Accomplishment of development & introduction to market

- Details of technological features and superiority

Definition of R&D stage

Research stage

Start of research or basic consideration

Objective means an establishment of measurement principle and a verification of clinical value.

10 ~ 50%

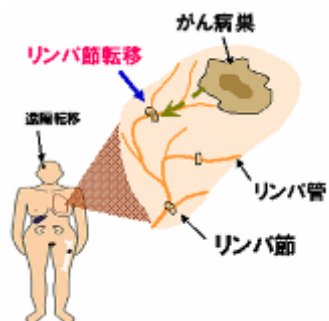
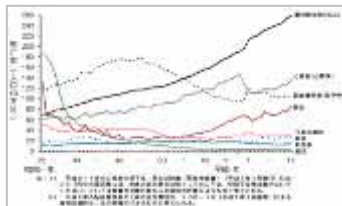
Practical stage

Start of full-scale R&D activity towards commercialization

50 ~ 80%

Launching stage

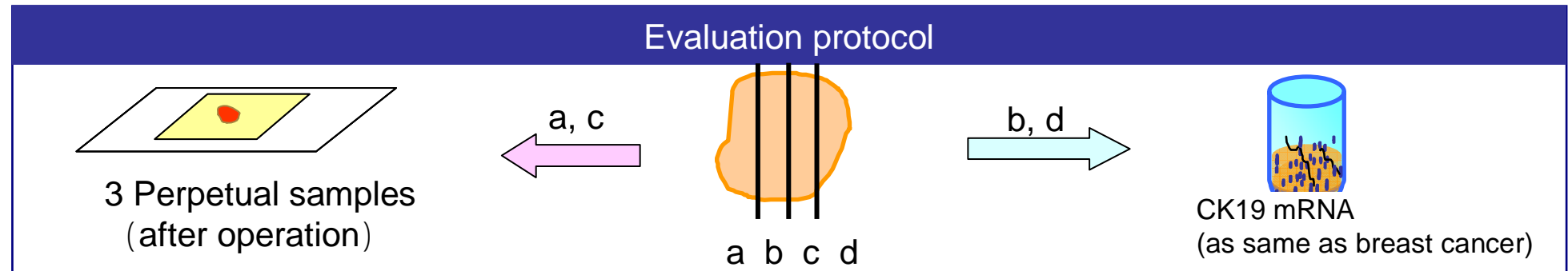
Completion of product commercialization and determination of launching



1) Progress status in launching stage

(1) Rapid diagnosis of lymph node metastasis technology (OSNA)

OSNA - Lymph node metastasis of colon cancer -



Clinical research result

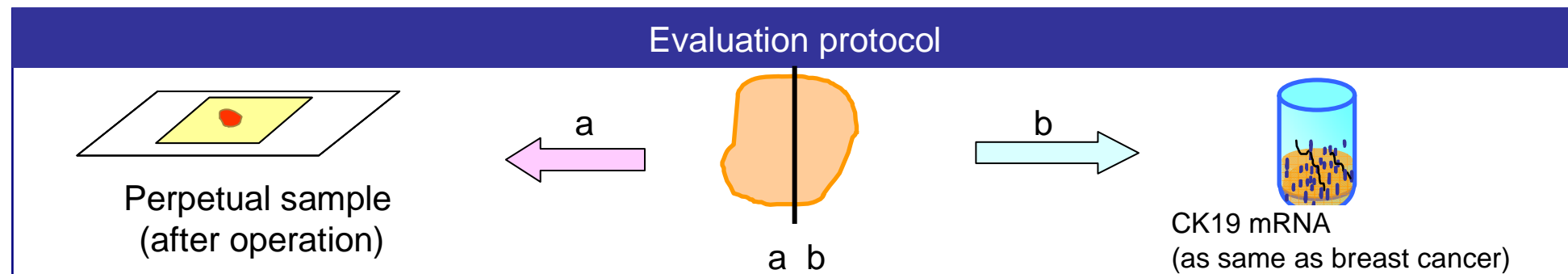
		Pathological test	
		+	-
OSNA	+	33	1
	-	2	92

Marker gene : CK19

Concordance rate : **97.6%**

The 38th Association of Cancer and Lymph node 2006

OSNA - Lymph node metastasis of stomach cancer -



Clinical research result

		Pathological test	
		+	-
OSNA	+	40	4
	-	5	113

Marker gene : CK19

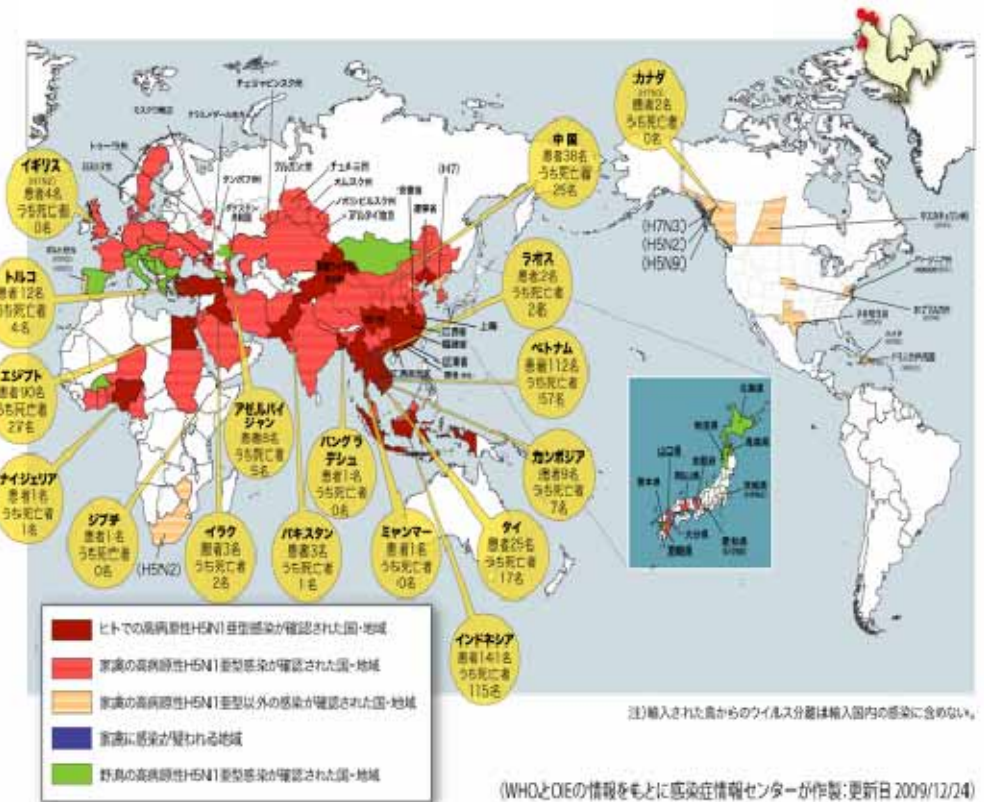
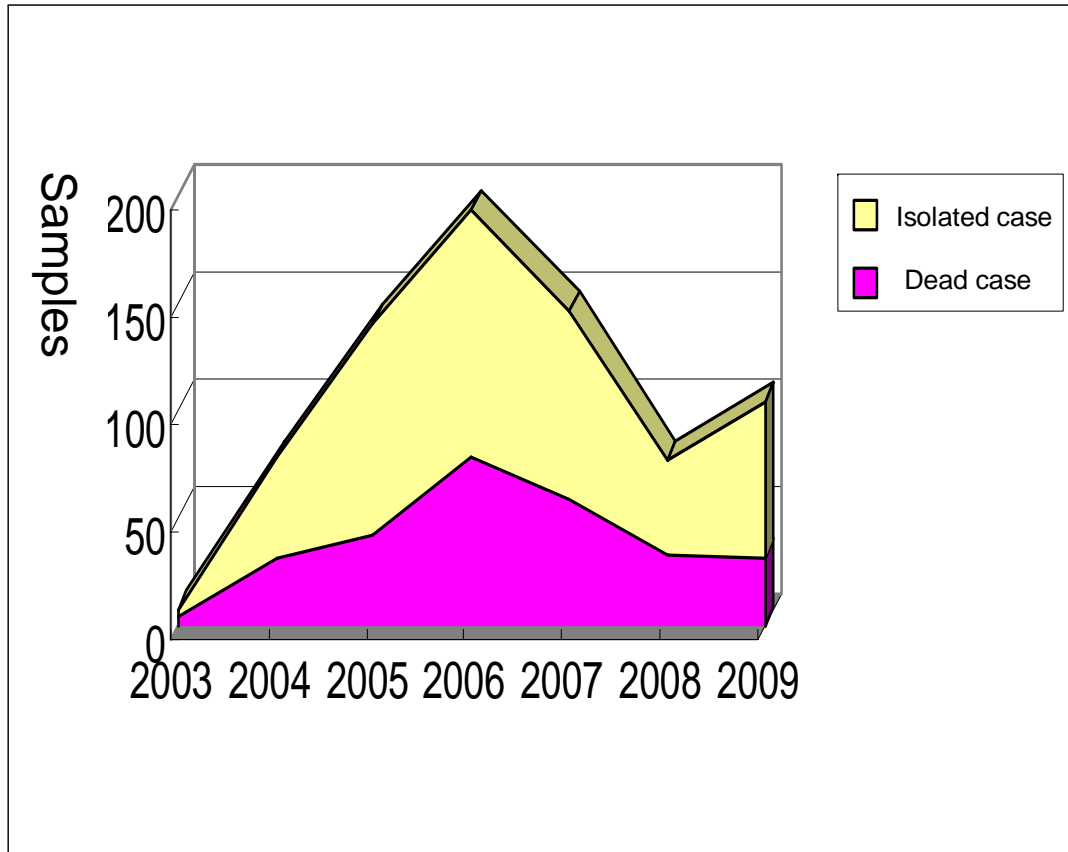
Concordance rate : **94.4%**

The 62nd Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterological Surgery(2007)

- 1) Progress status in launching stage
- (2) Bird flu Diagnostic technology

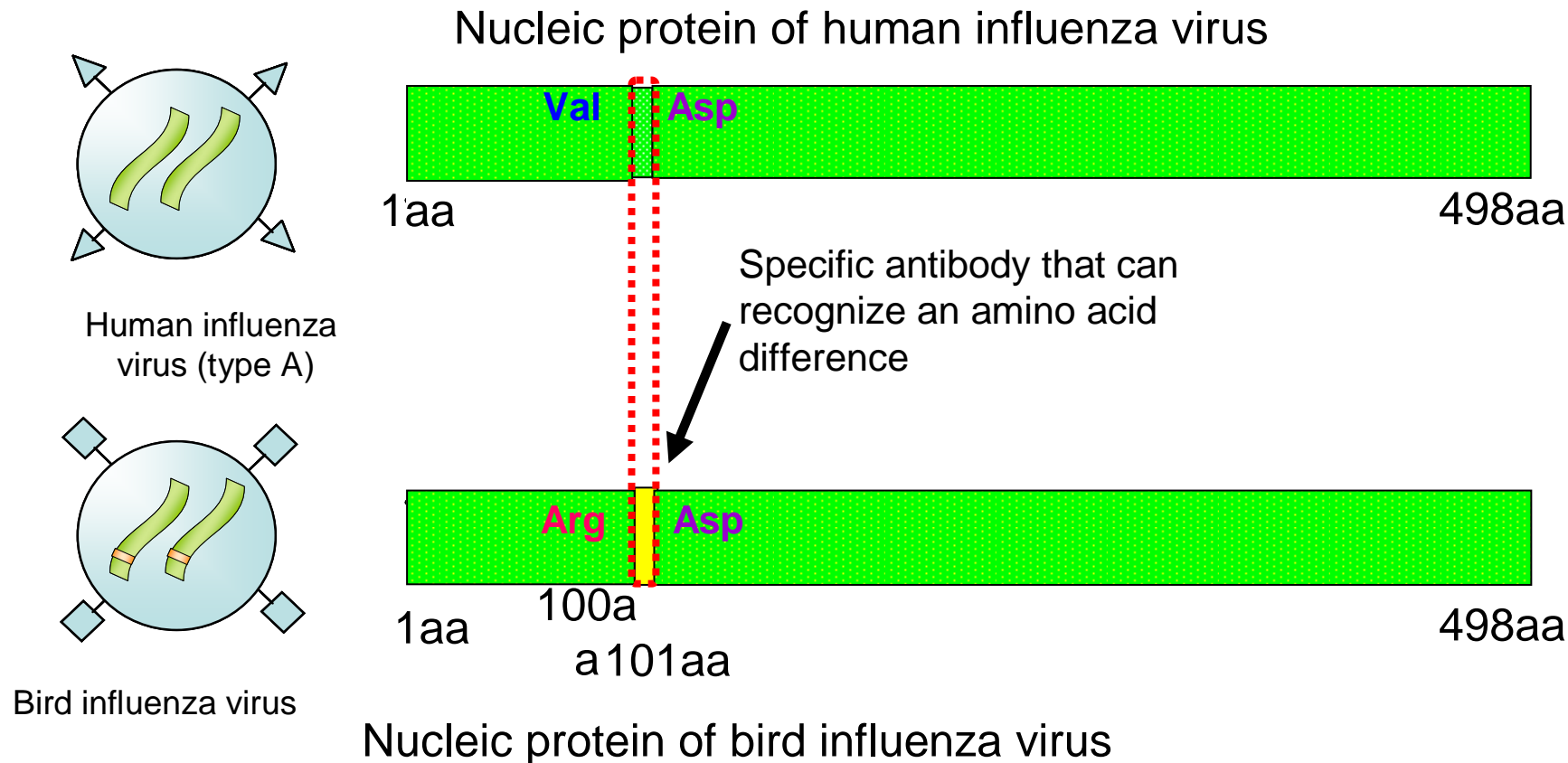
Threat of bird (avian) influenza

A summary of tracking avian influenza A specimens and viruses shared with WHO from 2003-2009



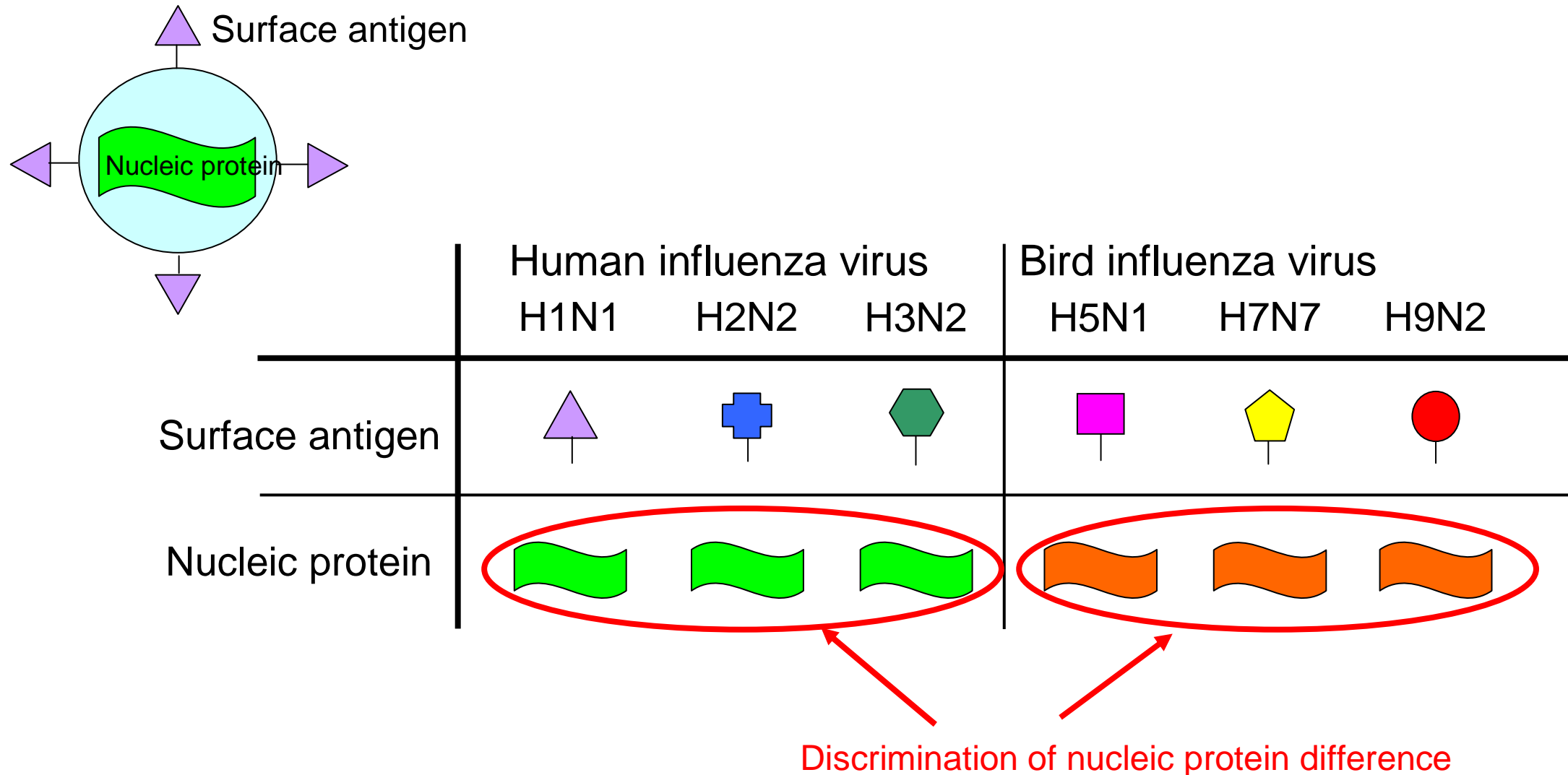
Infection risk still remains due to circulation of bird influenza virus

Key technology of detection for corresponding with bird influenza



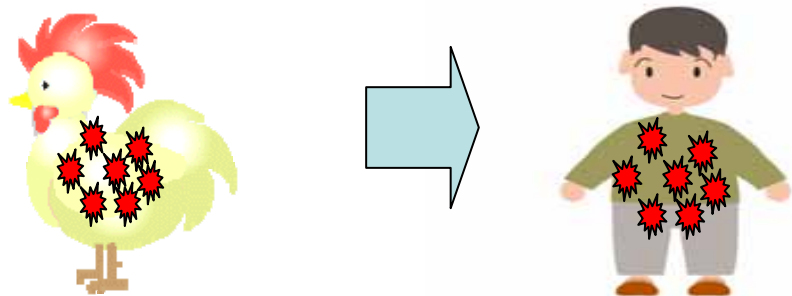


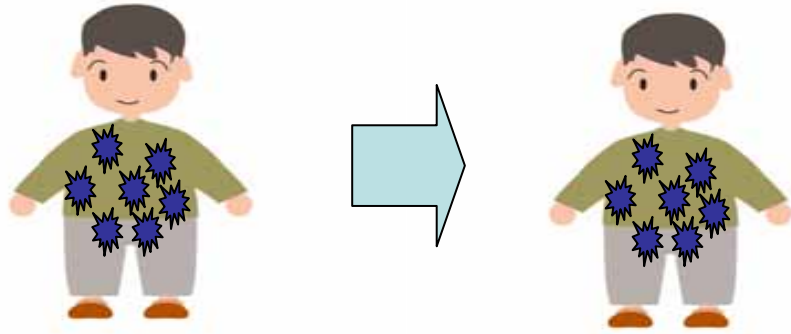

Successful development of a specific antibody that recognizes an amino acid difference in between human and bird influenza virus

Advantages of nucleic protein detection



Covering all bird influenza viruses except H5N1 by targeting nuclear protein

Features of bird influenza corresponding kit

	Bird influenza corresponding kit	Human influenza rapid diagnosis kit
Bird influenza virus 	 Detection	 Detection
Human influenza virus 	— Not detected	 Detection

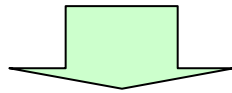
Specific detection of bird influenza and elimination
of seasonal influenza/swine influenza

1)Progress status in launching stage

(3) Digital blood smear preparation technology

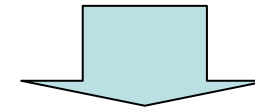
Medical needs in blood smear preparation

Utilizing part time doctor or external body is the only way to perform bone marrow diagnostic examination at the institutions having no permanent hematologist who is in shortage.

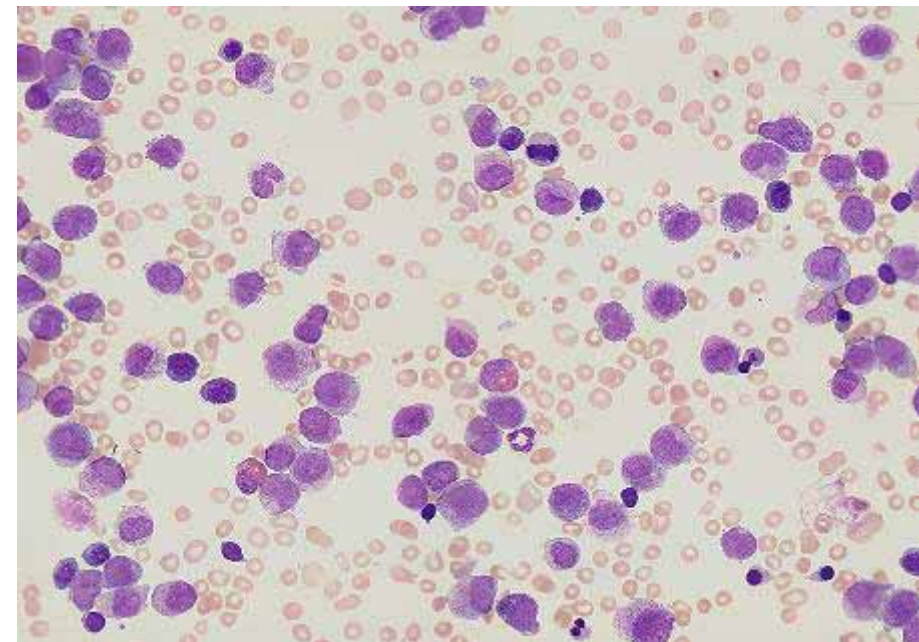


Realization of telediagnosis by digitized microscope image of blood smear

Blood film

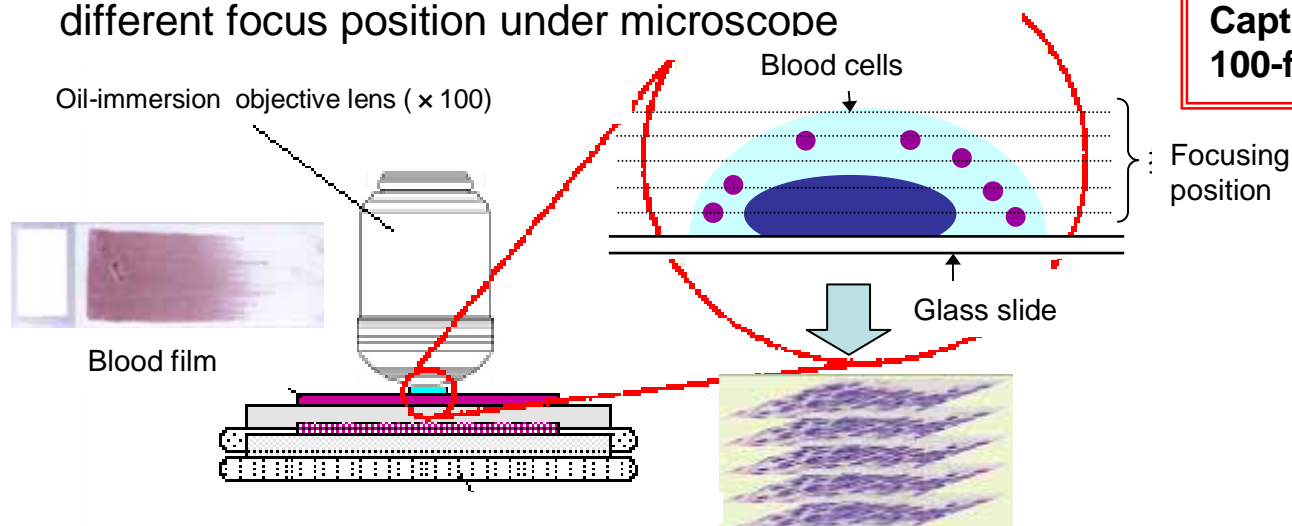


Digital blood smear



Digital blood smear preparation technology

Technology to capture multiple images at different focus position under microscope



**“The first achievement in the world”
Capture and synthesis of blood smear images with
100-fold oil-immersion objective lens.**

Synthesis technology of images captured at different focus position

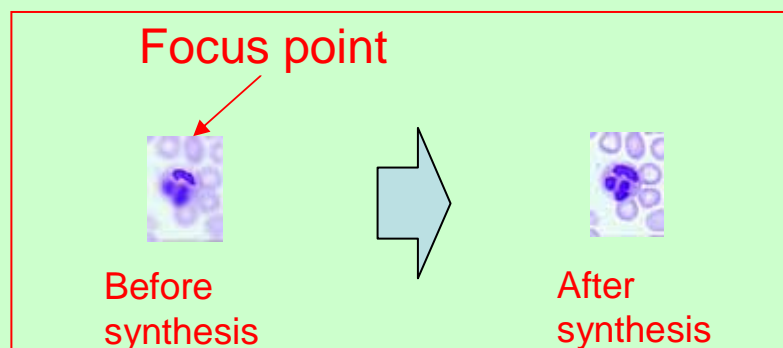
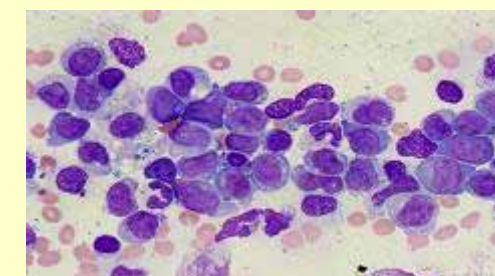
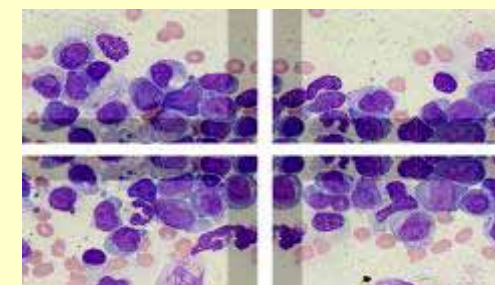
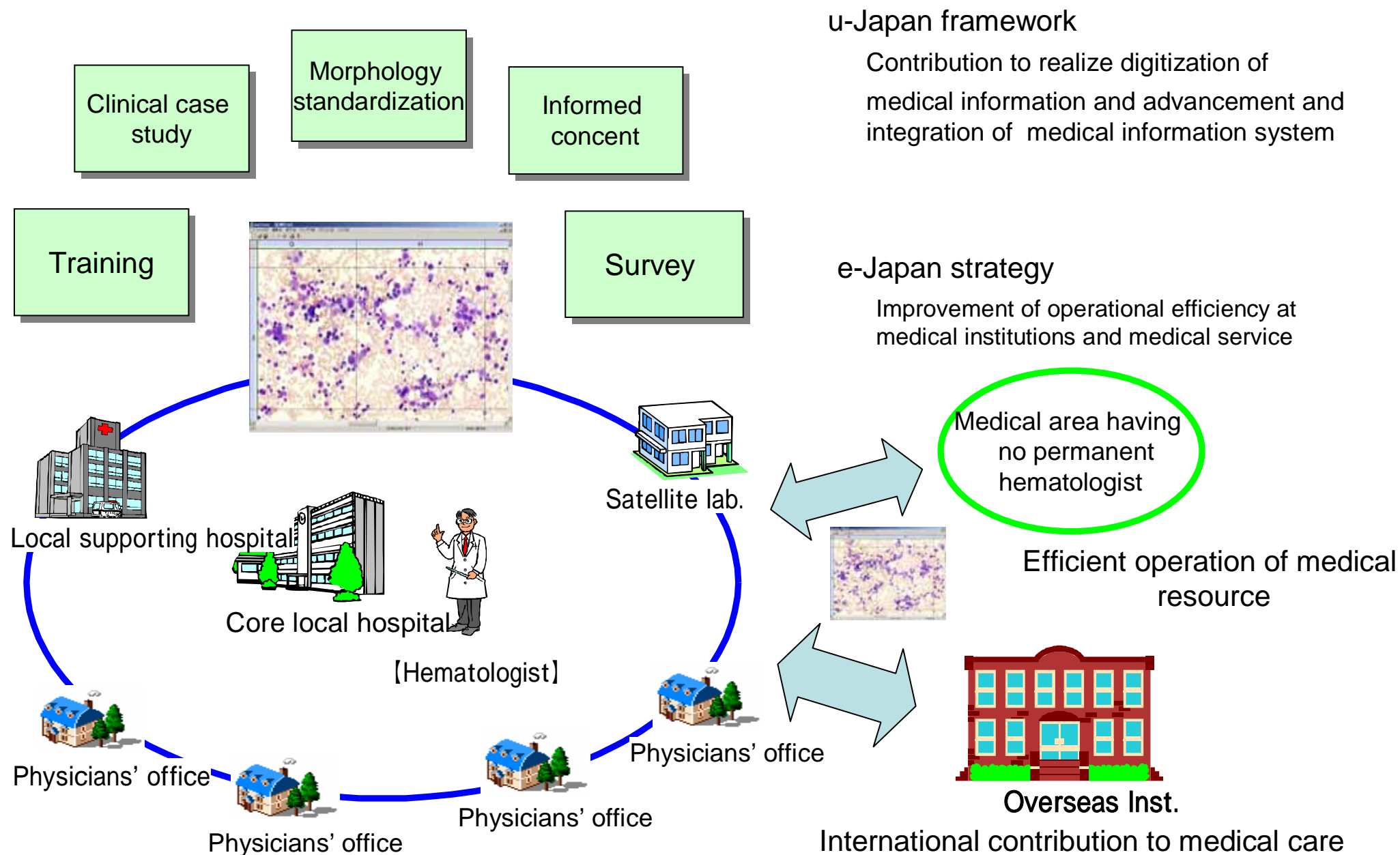


Image tiling technology to synthesize images captured at neighboring area into one image



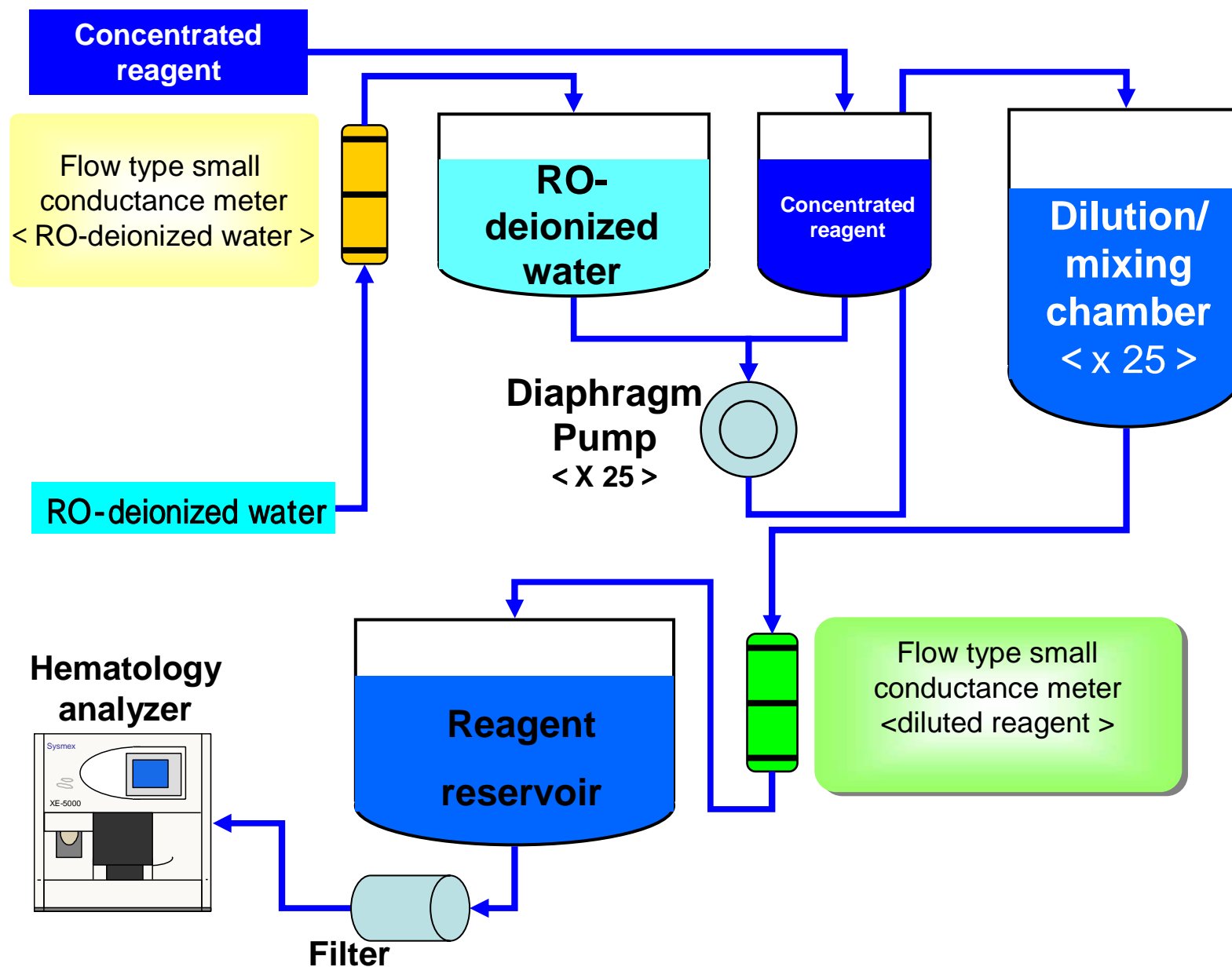
Target segment of digital blood smear



- 1)Progress status in launching stage
- (4) Reagents preparation technology

Reagents preparation technology

(dilution unit and accurate conductance meter)



Flow type small
conductance meter
< RO-deionized water >

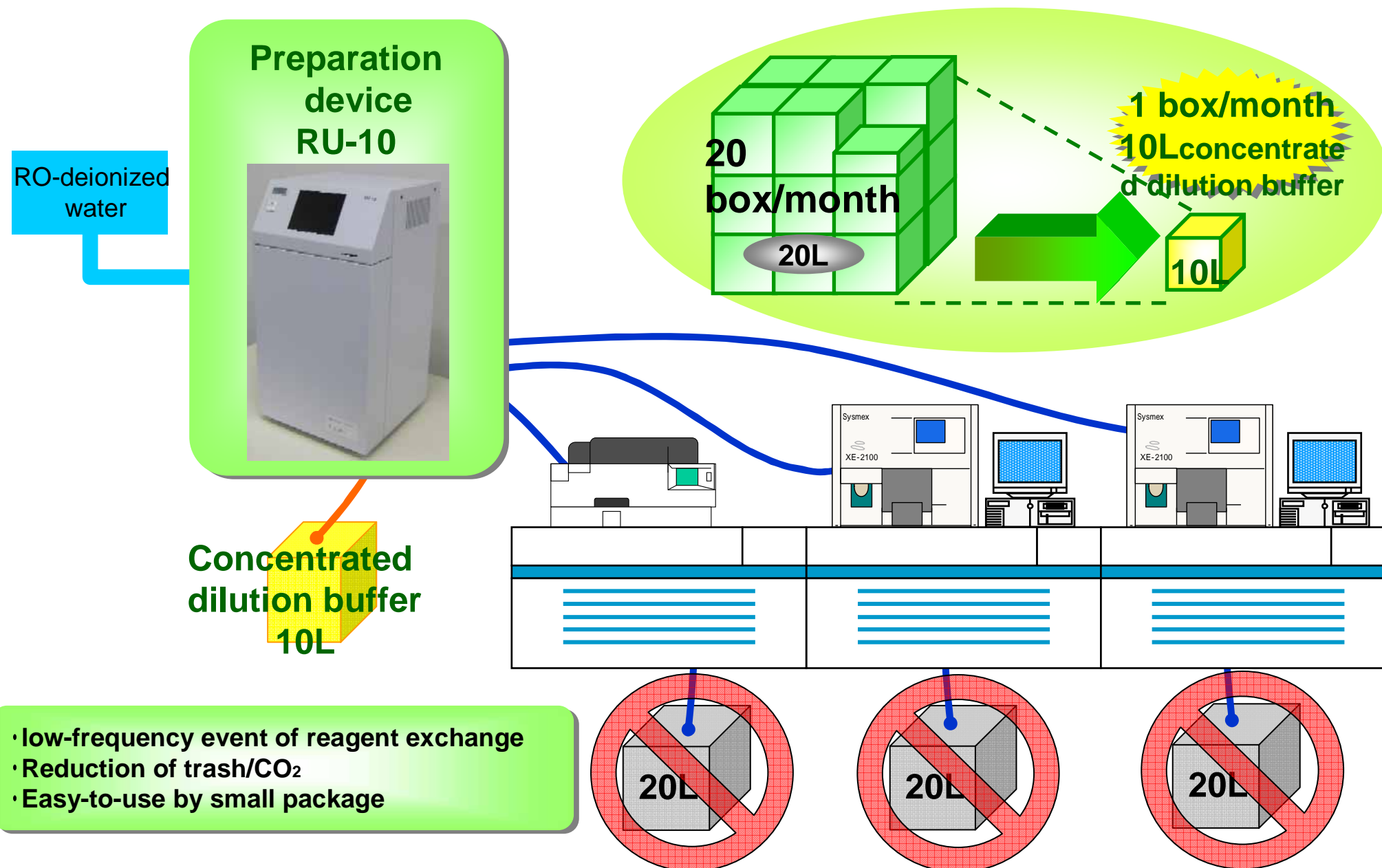
Reagent preparation unit: RU -10



conductance meter unit

- Size : 30(W) x 30(D) x 57(H) cm, Weight : 24 kg
- Footprint : 20L reagent pack size (Space-saving)

Application system employing reagent preparation technology



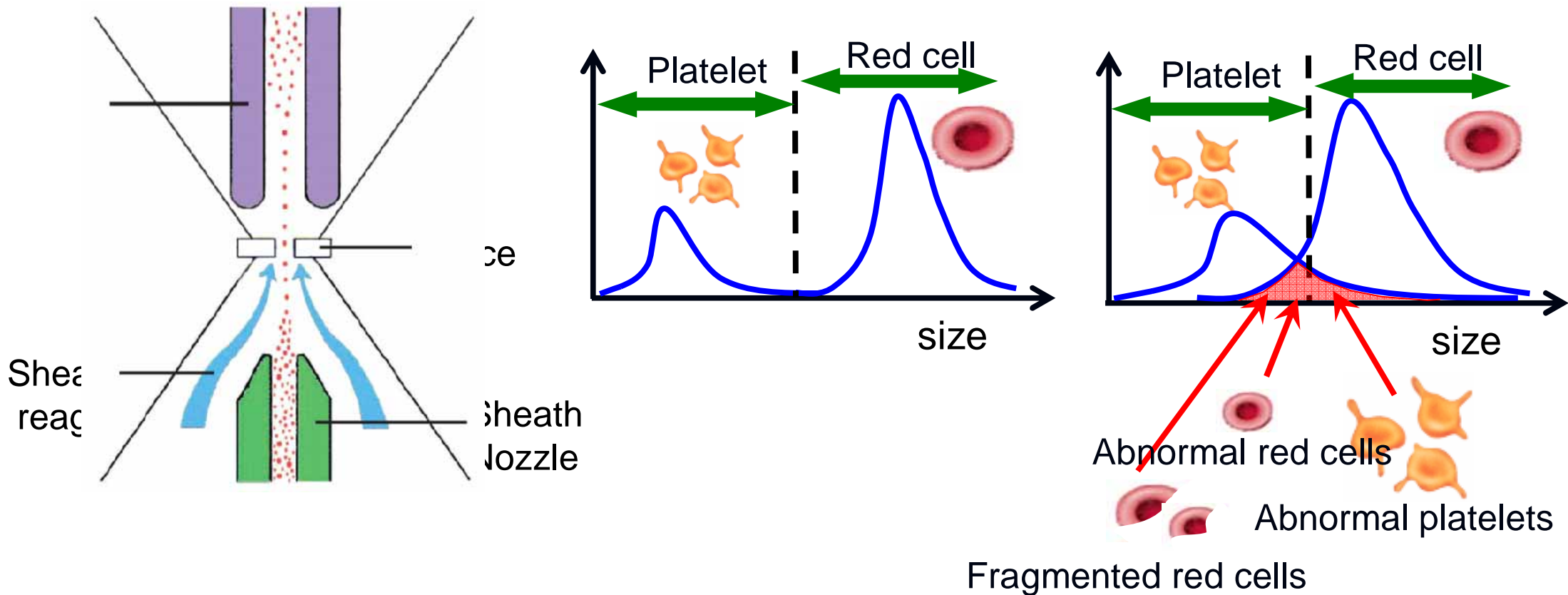
2) Practical stage

(5) Blood testing technology

- Accurate detection technology of low platelet counting
- Efficacy management technology for wide-range Lab test settings

Conventional technology for platelet counting

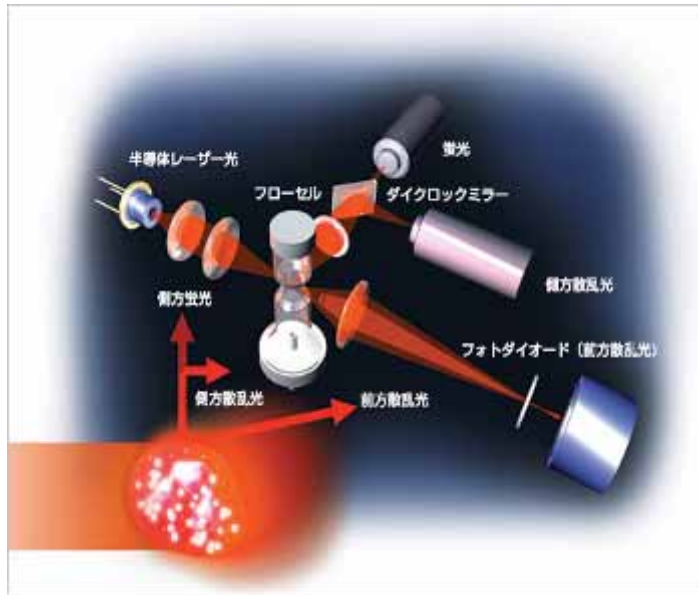
Aperture impedance method with hydrodynamic focusing



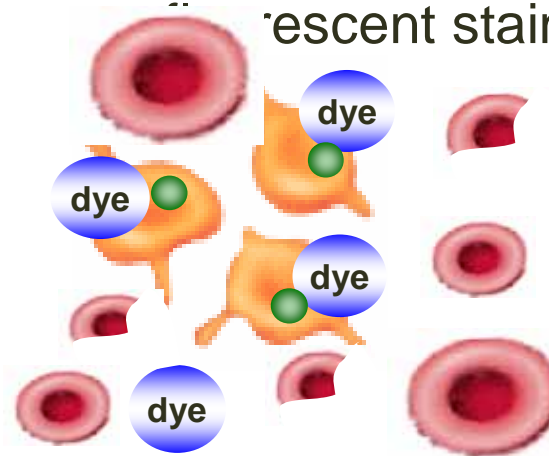
Difficult to count platelet accurately for patient who has a particular disease

New platelet counting technology

Flowcytometry



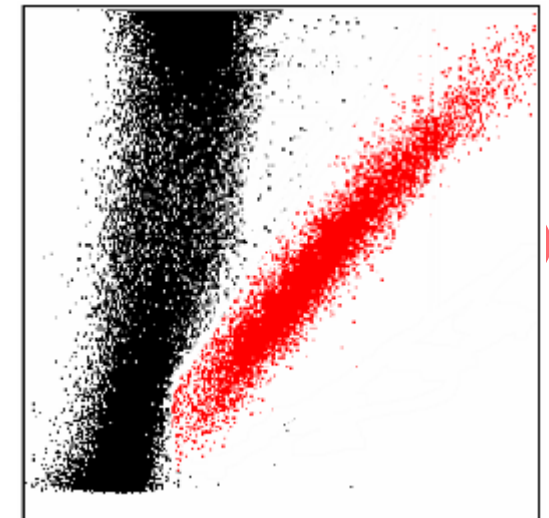
Platelet specific fluorescent staining



Realization of staining specificity
that is equivalent to MAb

Result

Size

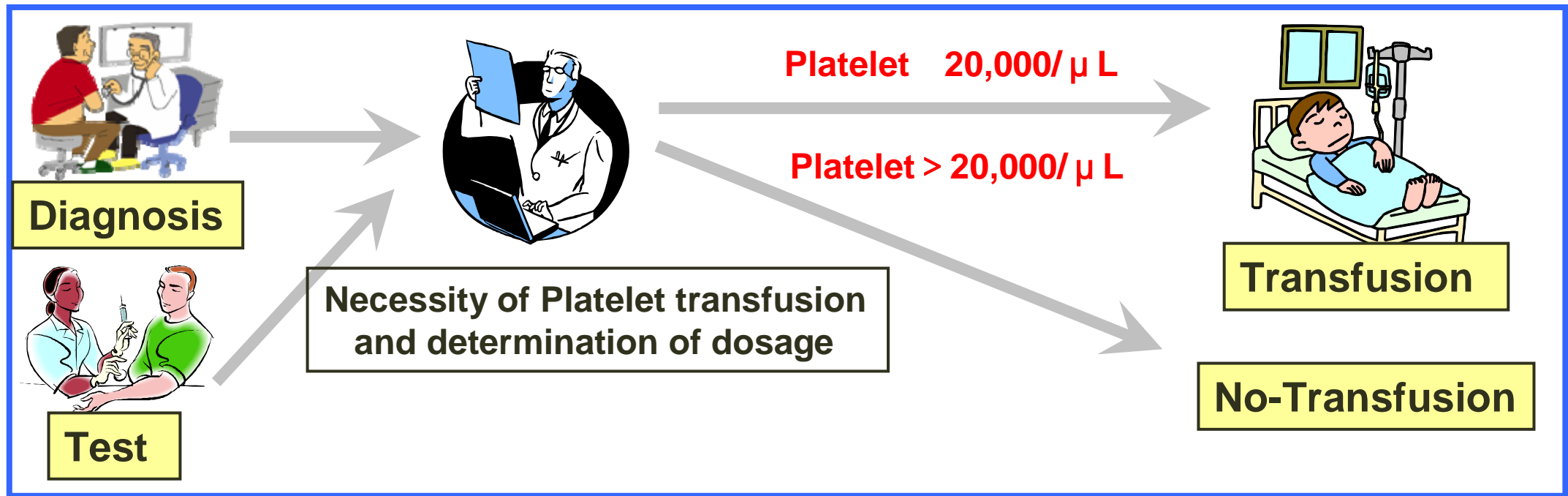


Fluorescent

Enhanced accuracy in abnormal cell detection

Successful development of accurate platelet counting technology
by using specific fluorescent staining on Flowcytometry

Clinical value of low platelet counting



Reducing blood transfusion risk
Side effects, Infection, Medical cost

Optimization of platelet transfusion

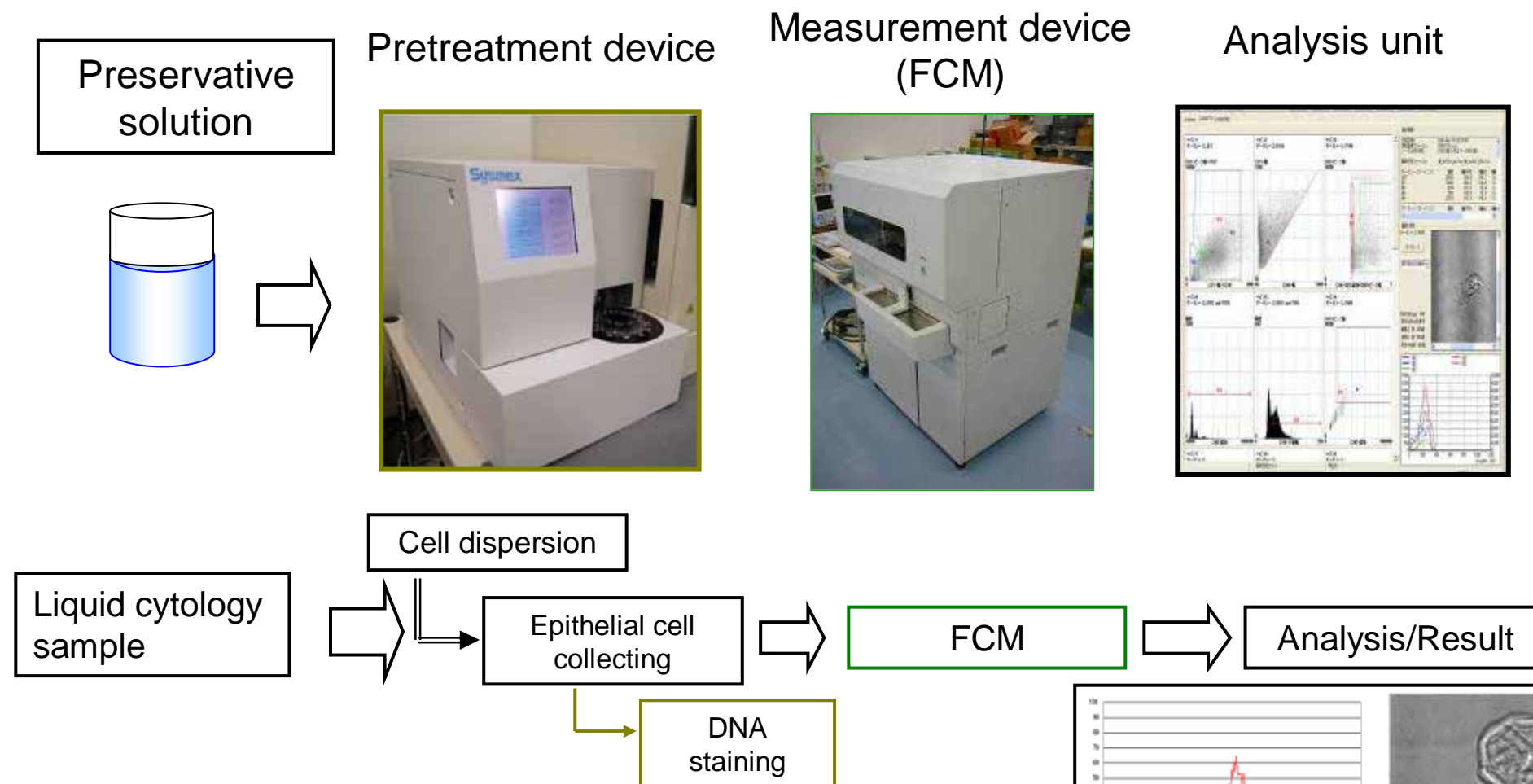
Contribution to QOL (side effect, prevention of infection)

Contribution to improvement of medical economy

2) Practical stage

(6) Cervical cancer screening technology

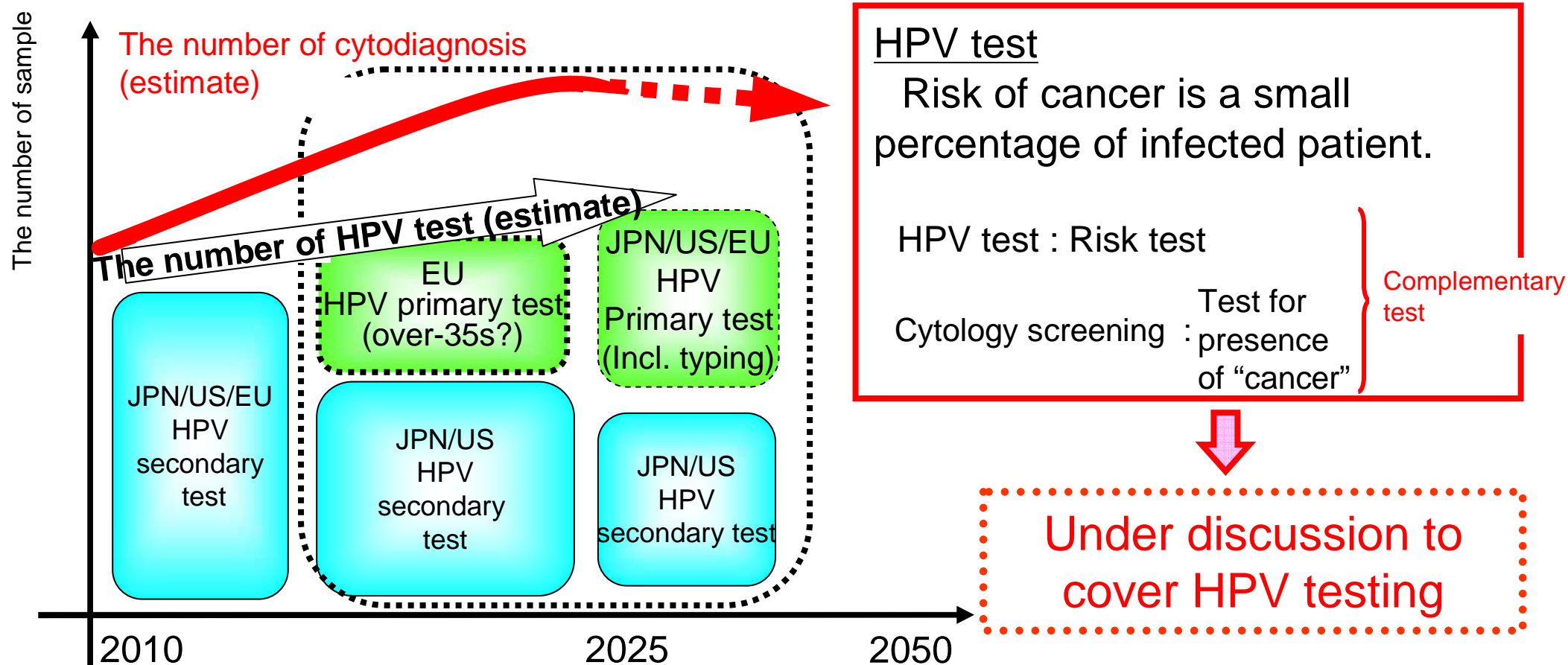
Cervical cancer screening system



- ✓ Under development of fully-automated high-speed system
- ✓ Under consideration of stability improvement with sample preservative solution

Future of HPV test (estimate)

- ✓Cytology screening would increase by introducing automation technology in not only advanced countries but also rising countries.
- ✓HPV test would gradually increase, especially in advanced country.
- ✓The number of cytology screening will be influenced by introducing preventive vaccine after 2020.

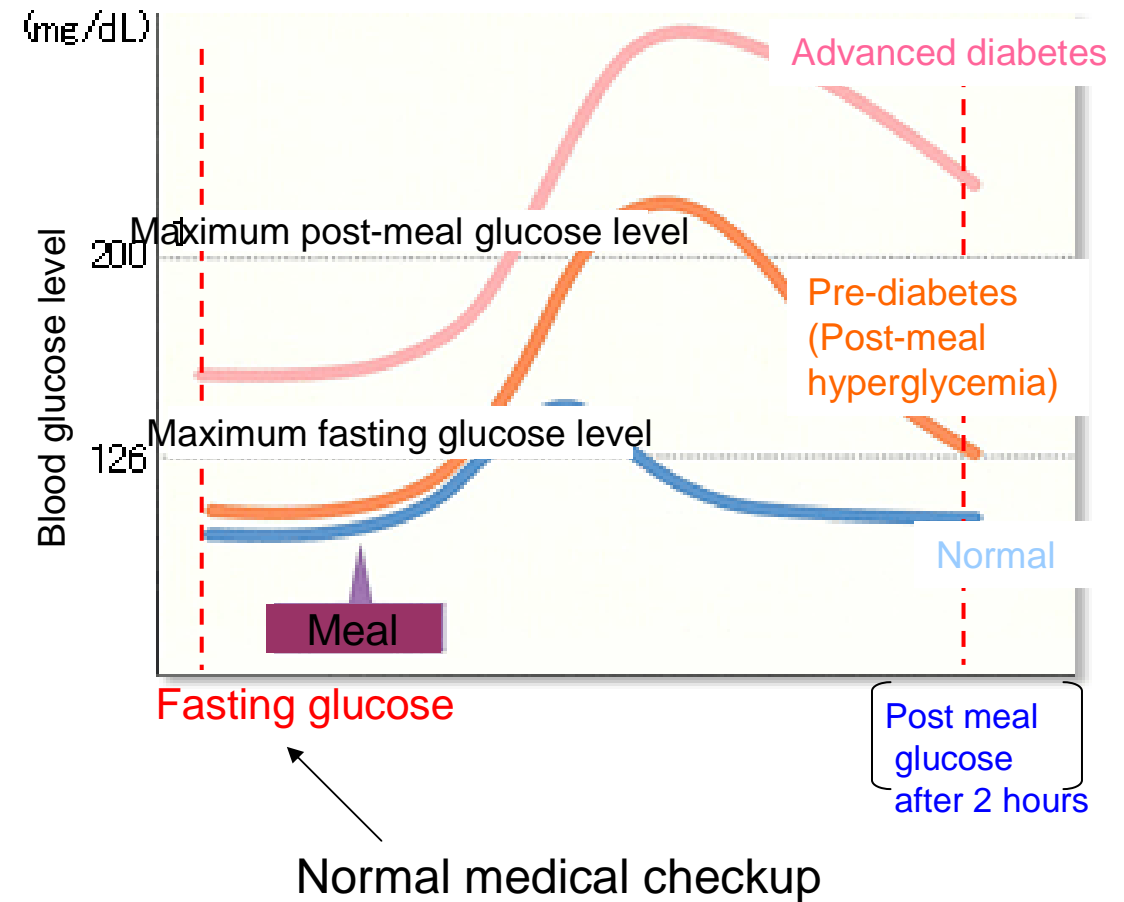
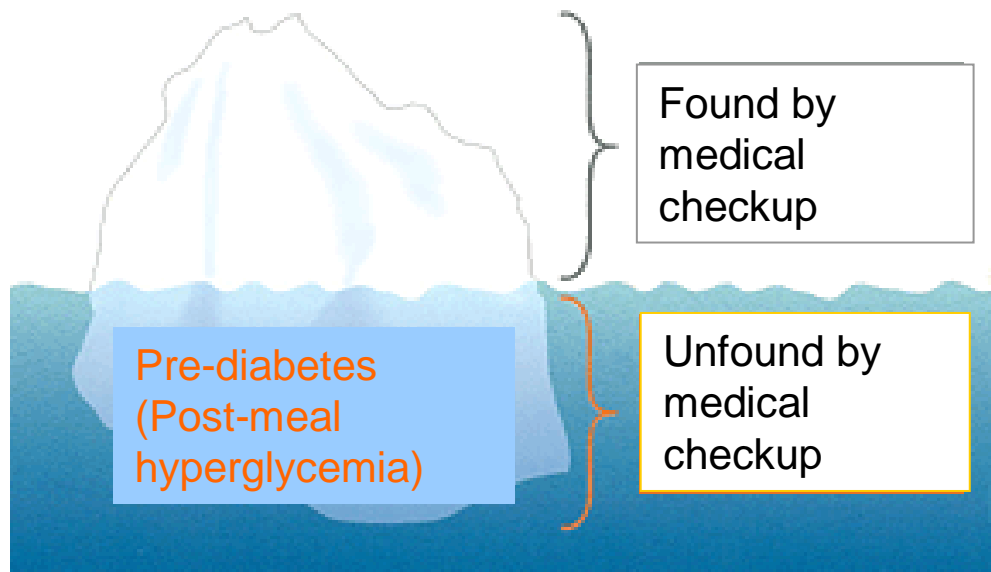


Estimate of cytodiagnosis for cervical cancer and HPV test in advanced country

2) Practical stage

(7) Postprandial hyperglycemia monitoring technology

What is post-meal hyperglycemia?



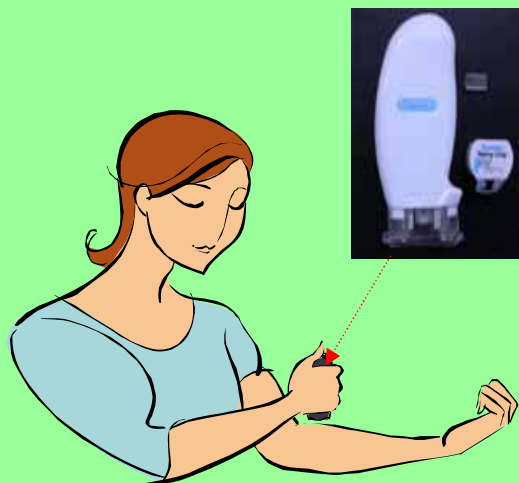
Post-meal hyperglycemia : risk factor of large vessel disease (cerebral accident, myocardial infarction)



Development of device which is able to simply and exactly monitor post-meal hyperglycemia

Body fluid extraction technology

Pore making



Painless!

Body fluid extraction

Stick gel patch
(for 2 hours)

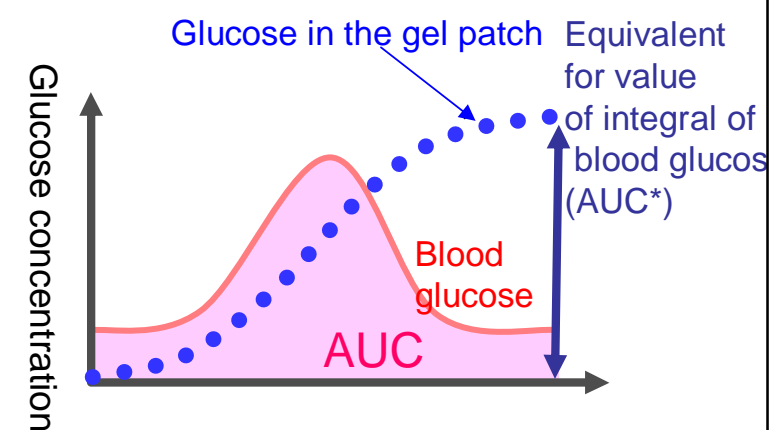
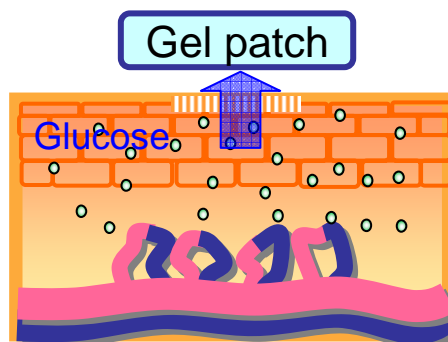
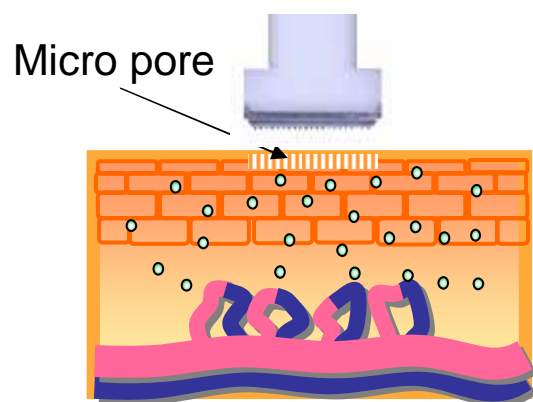


Nonrestrain!

Glucose measurement



Measurement of glucose in the gel patch

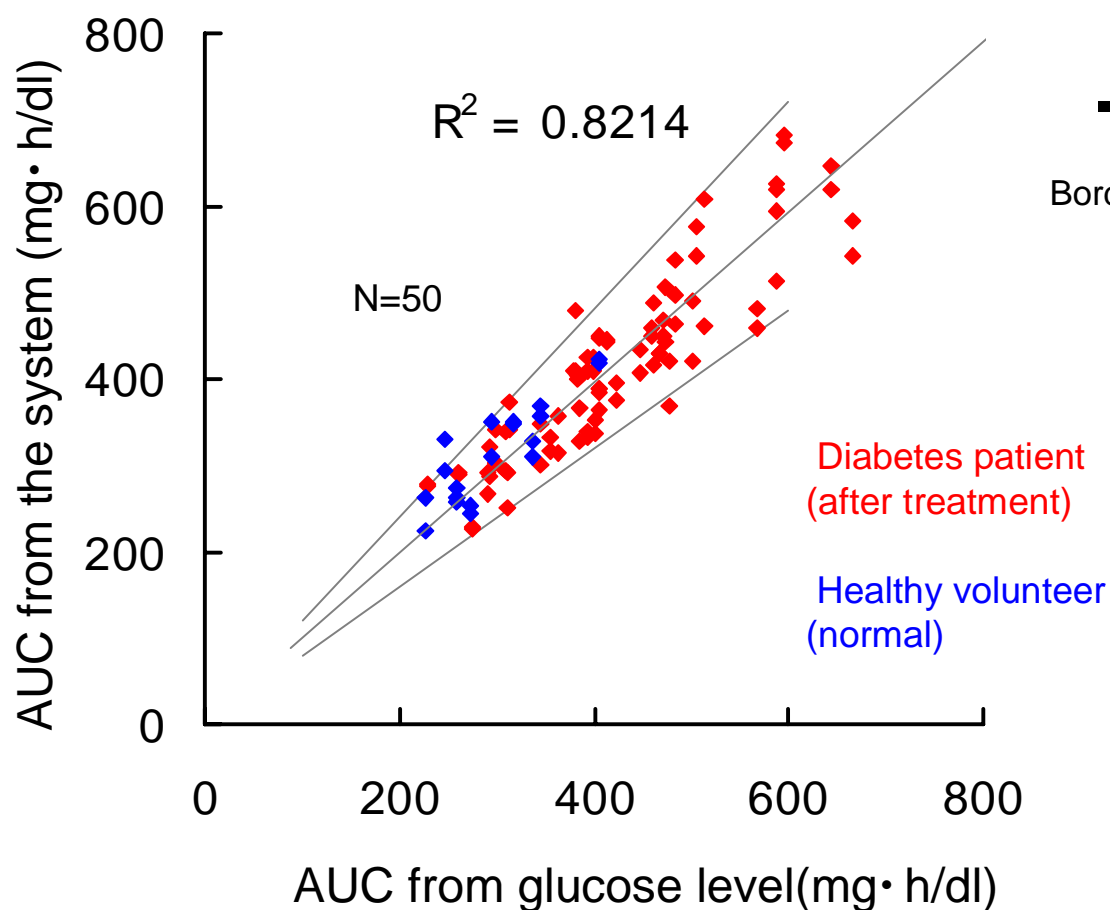


* AUC: Area under the curve

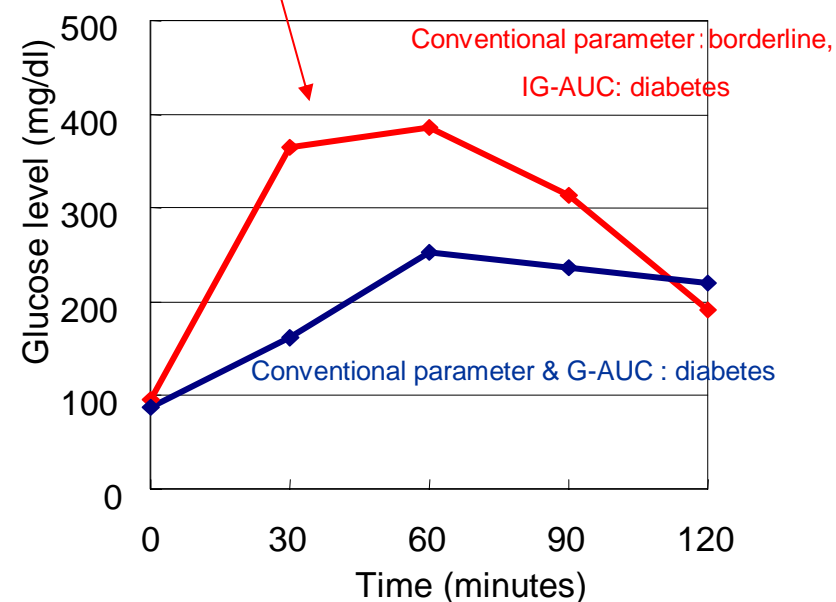
Promoting commercial realization

Clinical evaluation result

< Screening of pre-diabetes status >



IG-AUC Glucose	Diabetes (>320mg/dl·h)	Borderline	Normal (<275 mg/dl·h)
Diabetes	31	1	0
Borderline diabetes	7	2	1
Normal	0	3	5

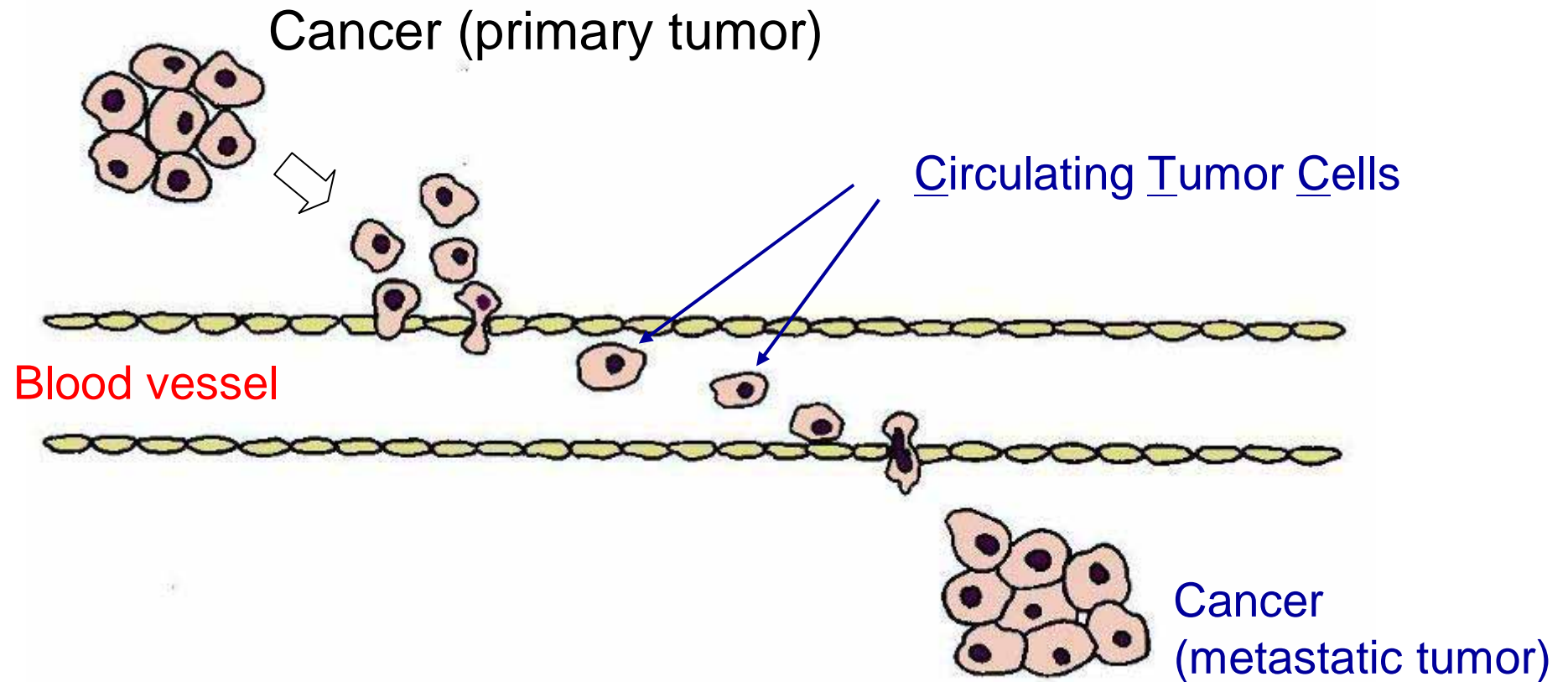


The Japan Diabetes Society(2009)

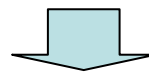
3)Research stage

(8) CTC (Circulating Tumor Cell) detection technology

What is CTC?

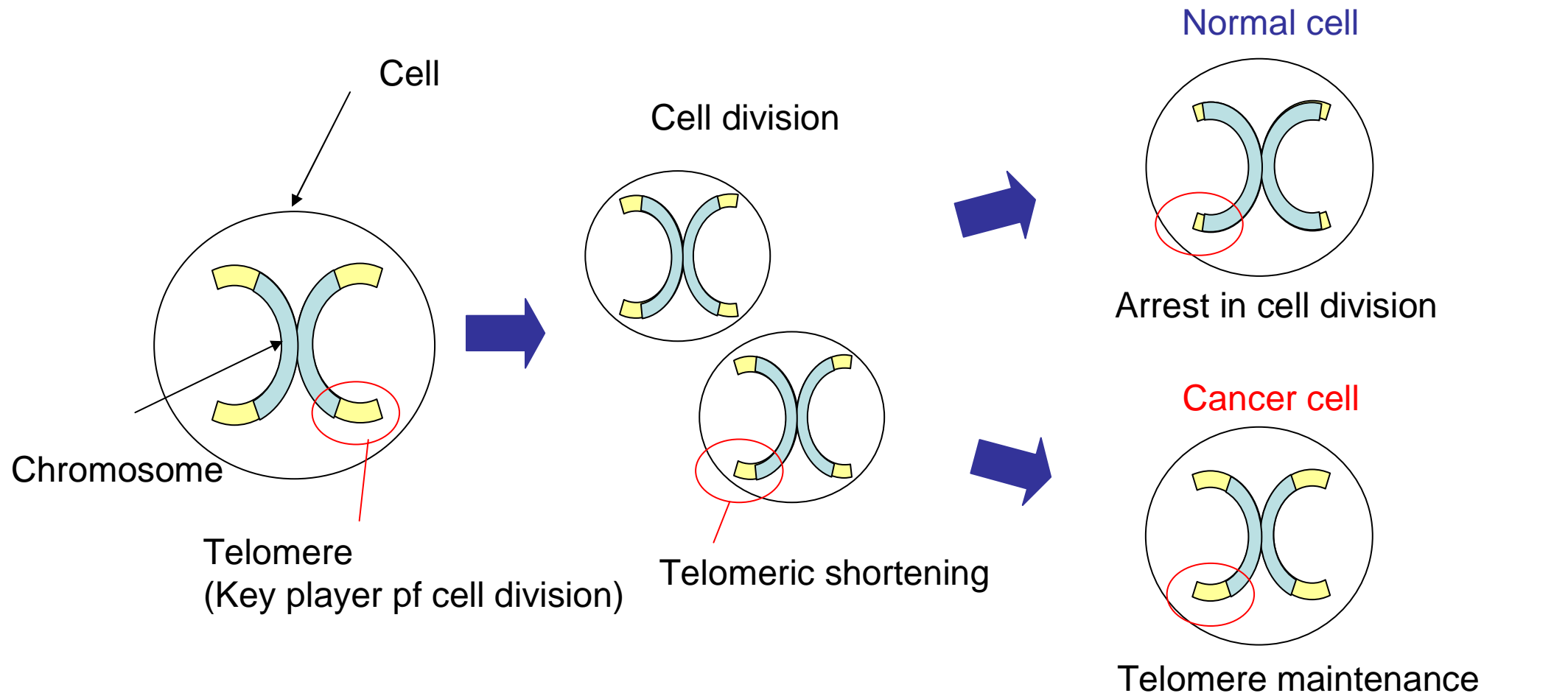


Cancer cells from a few to hundreds of thousands in 10ml blood
(40 - 50 billion RBC and 30 - 90 million WBC in 10ml blood)



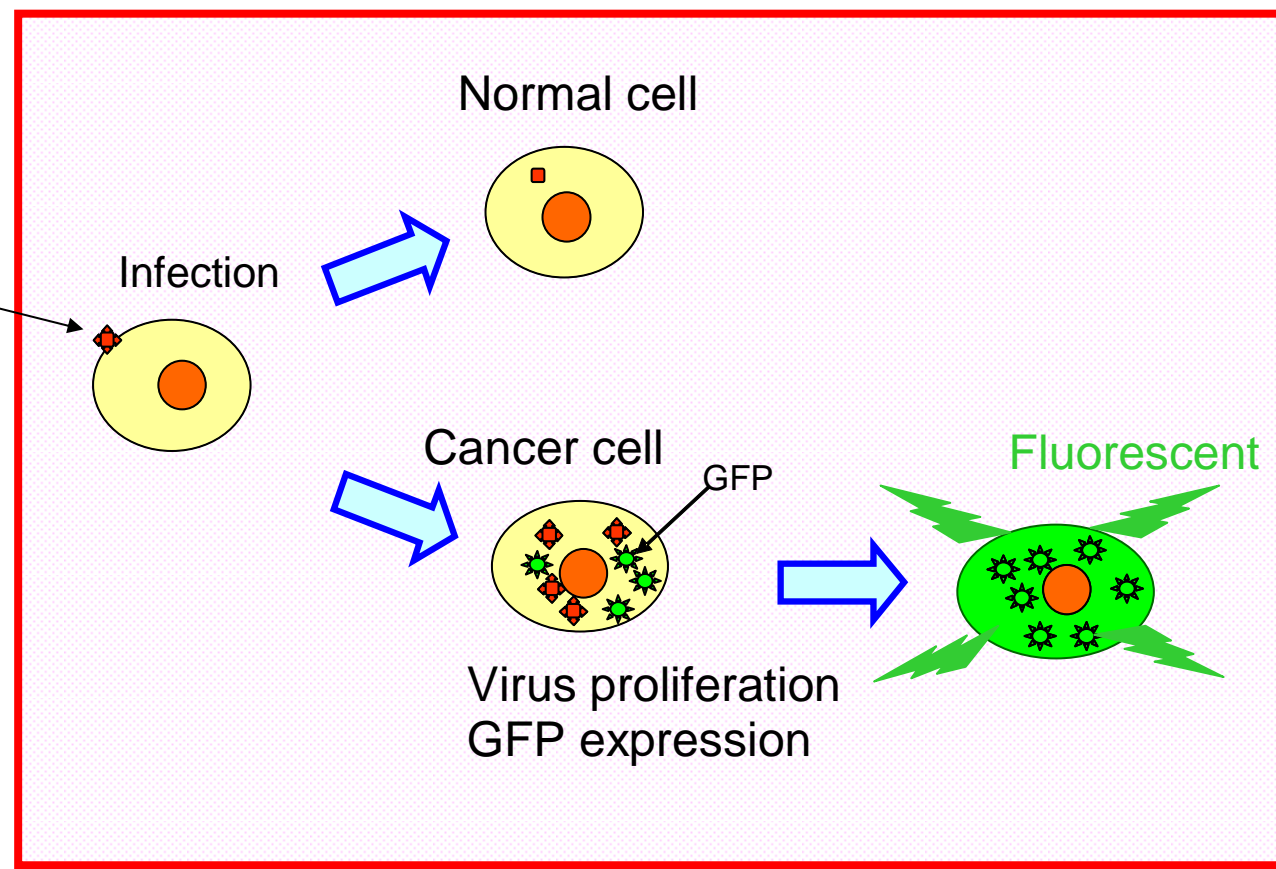
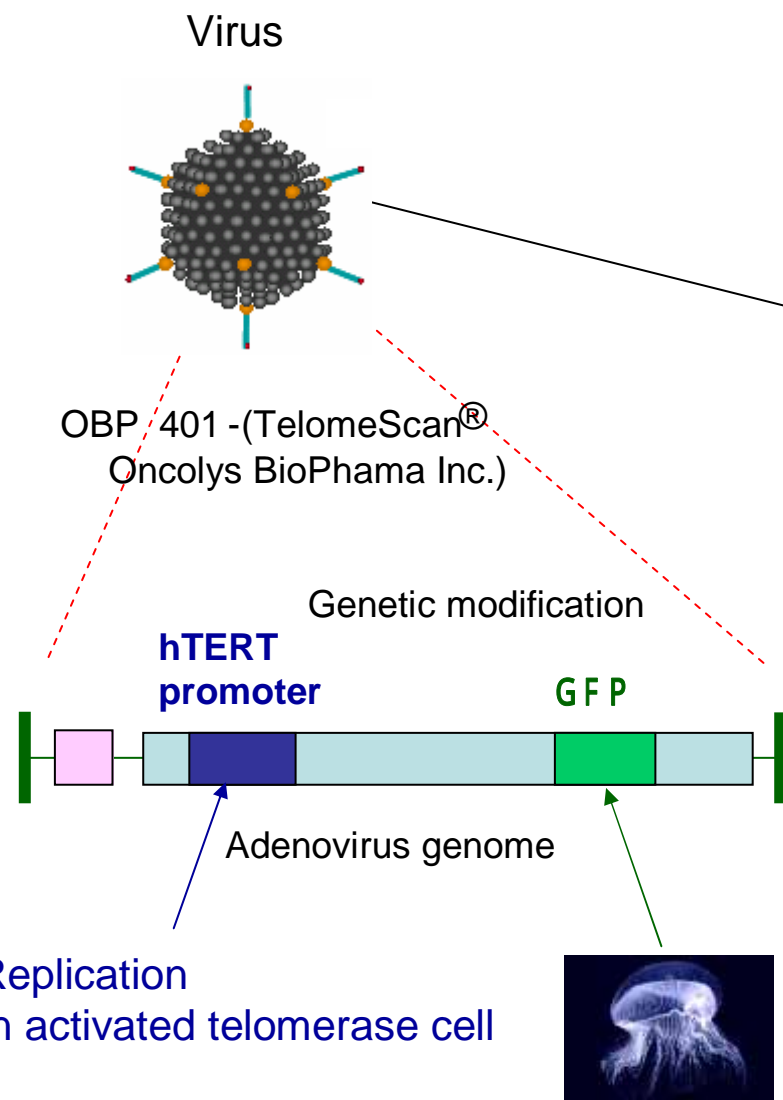
Requirement of ultra-high sensitive measurement

Diagnostics by using virus (1)



Telomerase activity is observed in almost cancer.

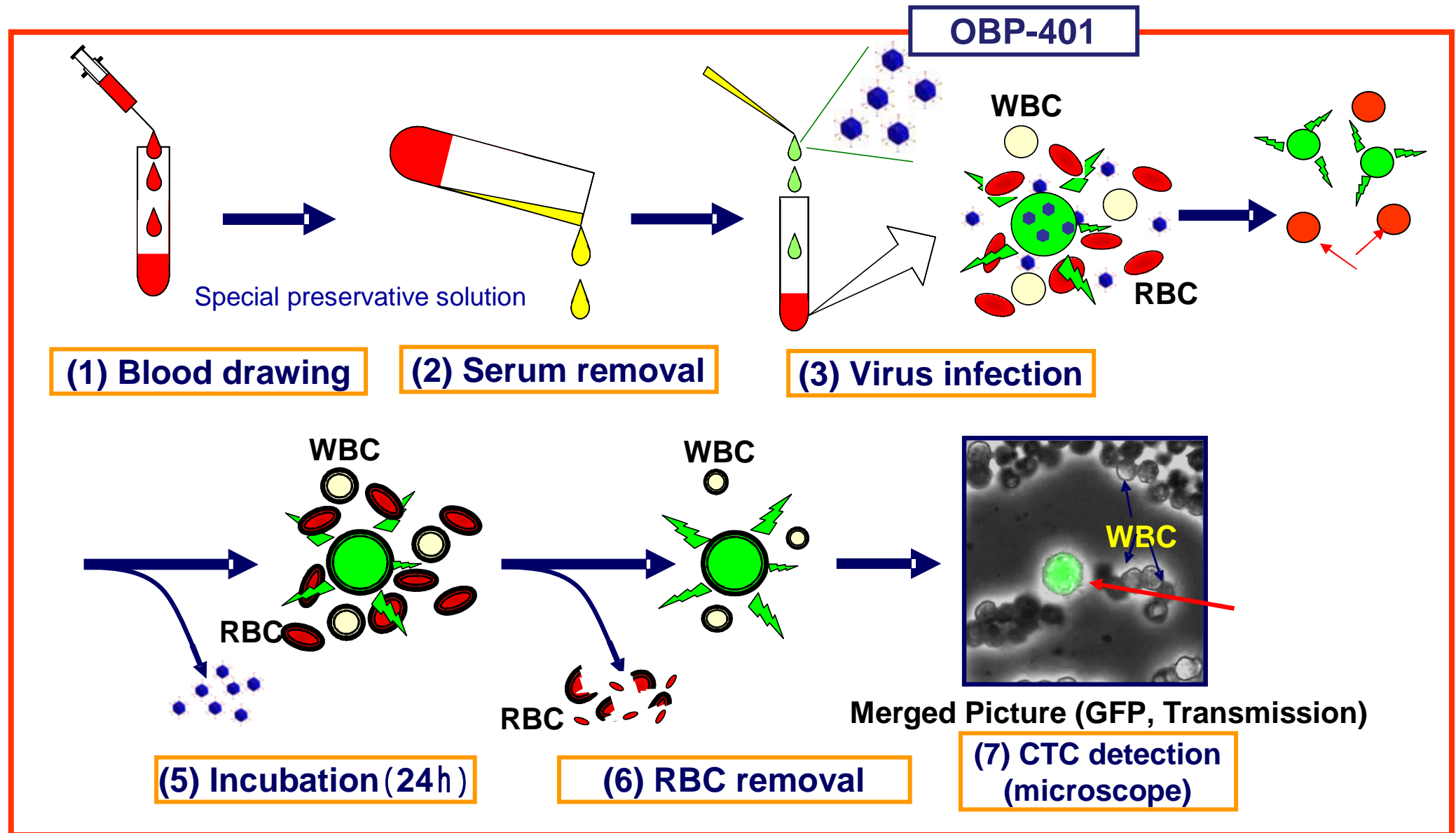
Diagnostics by using virus (2)



Detection of proliferative and live cancer cell

*GFP : green fluorescent protein from Aequorea victoria

Diagnostics by using virus (3): Establishment measurement system

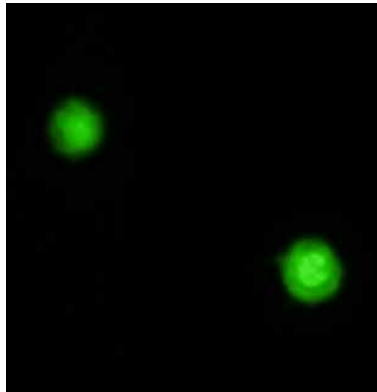


Combination of venture's and Sysmex technology

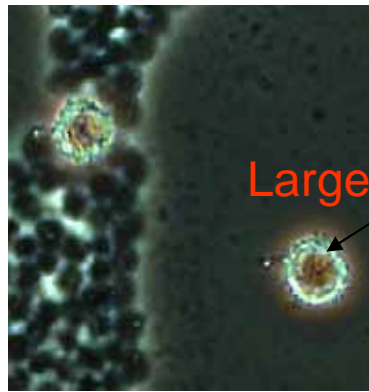
Evaluation study using clinical sample

Breast cancer recurrent patient

GFP positive cell

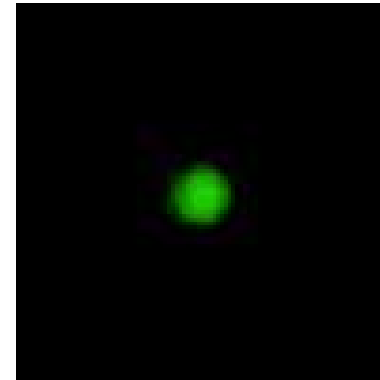


Fluorescent image

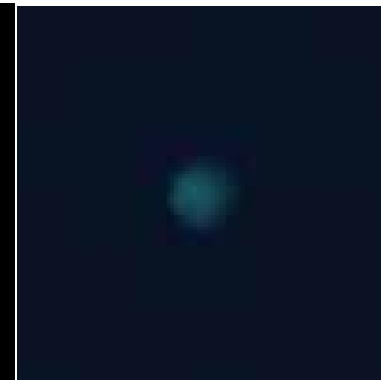


Phase contrast image

Capturing cancer cell



Fluorescent image



Immunostaining image
(CA 15-3)

CA15-3 : breast cancer marker

Lung cancer patient

GFP positive cell



Fluorescent image

Stomach cancer patient

GFP positive cell

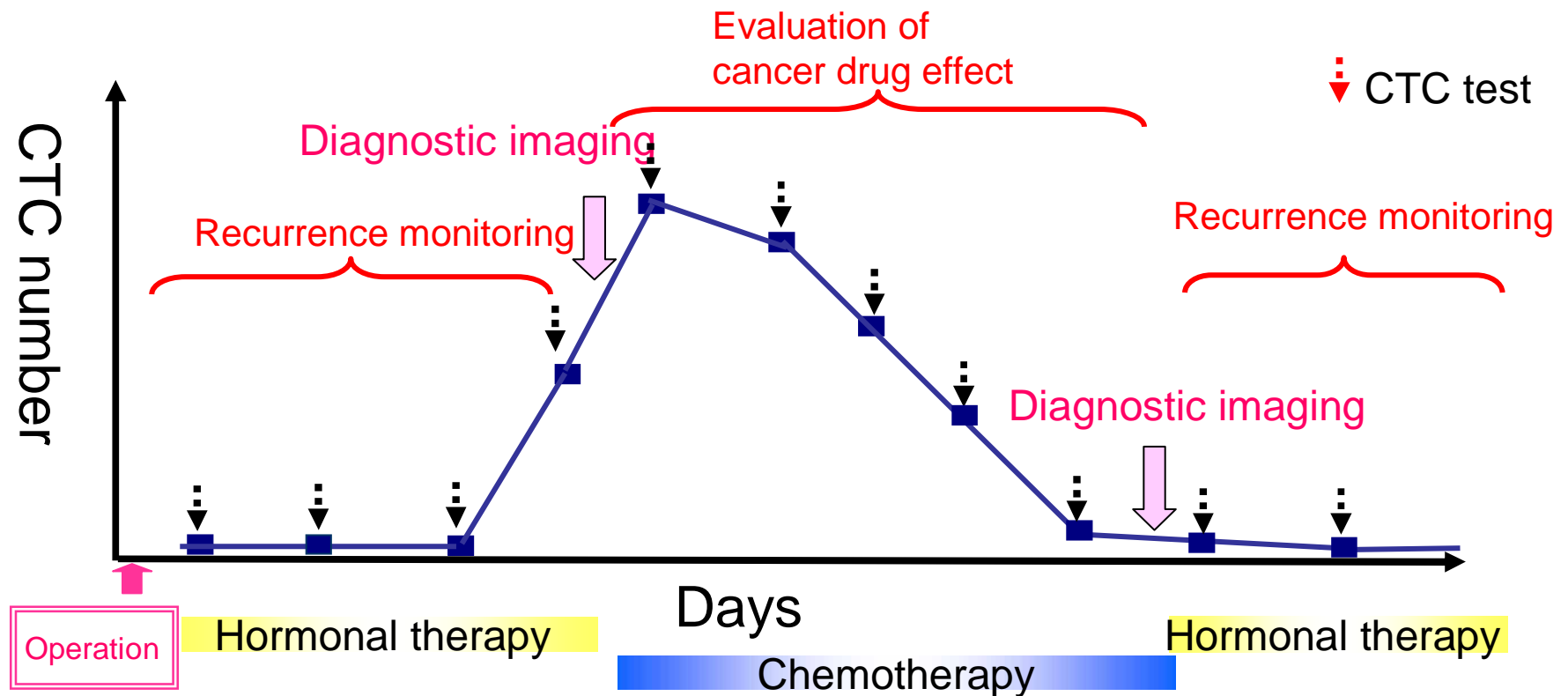


Fluorescent image

Clinical value

- Risk prediction
- Early detection
- Prognosis (recurrence prognosis)
- Evaluation of cancer drug effect
- Monitoring

Possibility of various application



Promotion of clinical research

All cancer other than lung & breast cancer



National cancer center
hospital

Lung cancer



Kitazato university

Breast cancer

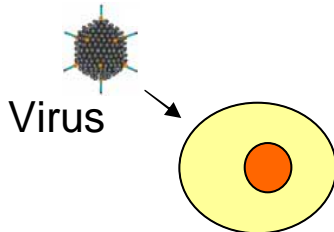
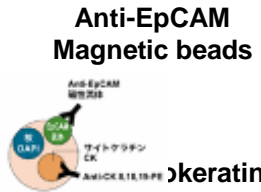


Osaka university

**Other research
institution**



Comparison with competitor's technology

	Sysmex	Veridex(J&J) CellSeach [®]
Principle	 <p>Telomerase activity</p>	 <p>Antibody stain</p>
Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Detection and count of live cell that is key factor of metastasis. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Detection* and count of cancer cell from image of nuclear stain and immunostaining <p>* Subjective judgment</p>
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Suitable for several type of cancer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●FDA approval (metastatic breast cancer, colon cancer, prostate cancer)

3) Research stage

(9) Technology of CNS disease diagnosis based on DNA chip

What is DNA chip?

Affymetrix GeneChip[®]

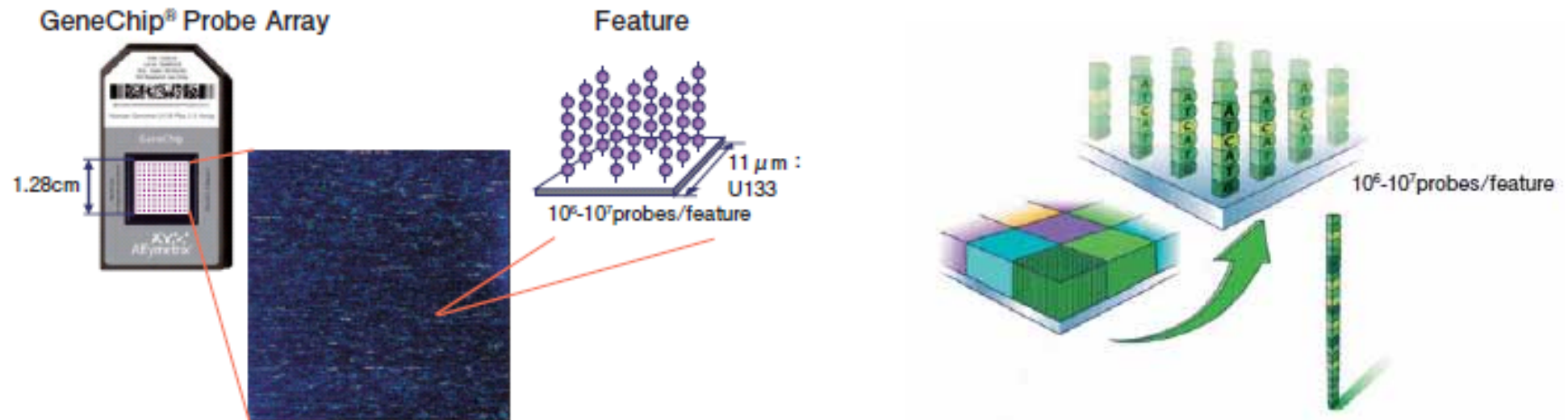


Image of fluorescence signal

Constitution of 1.3 million features

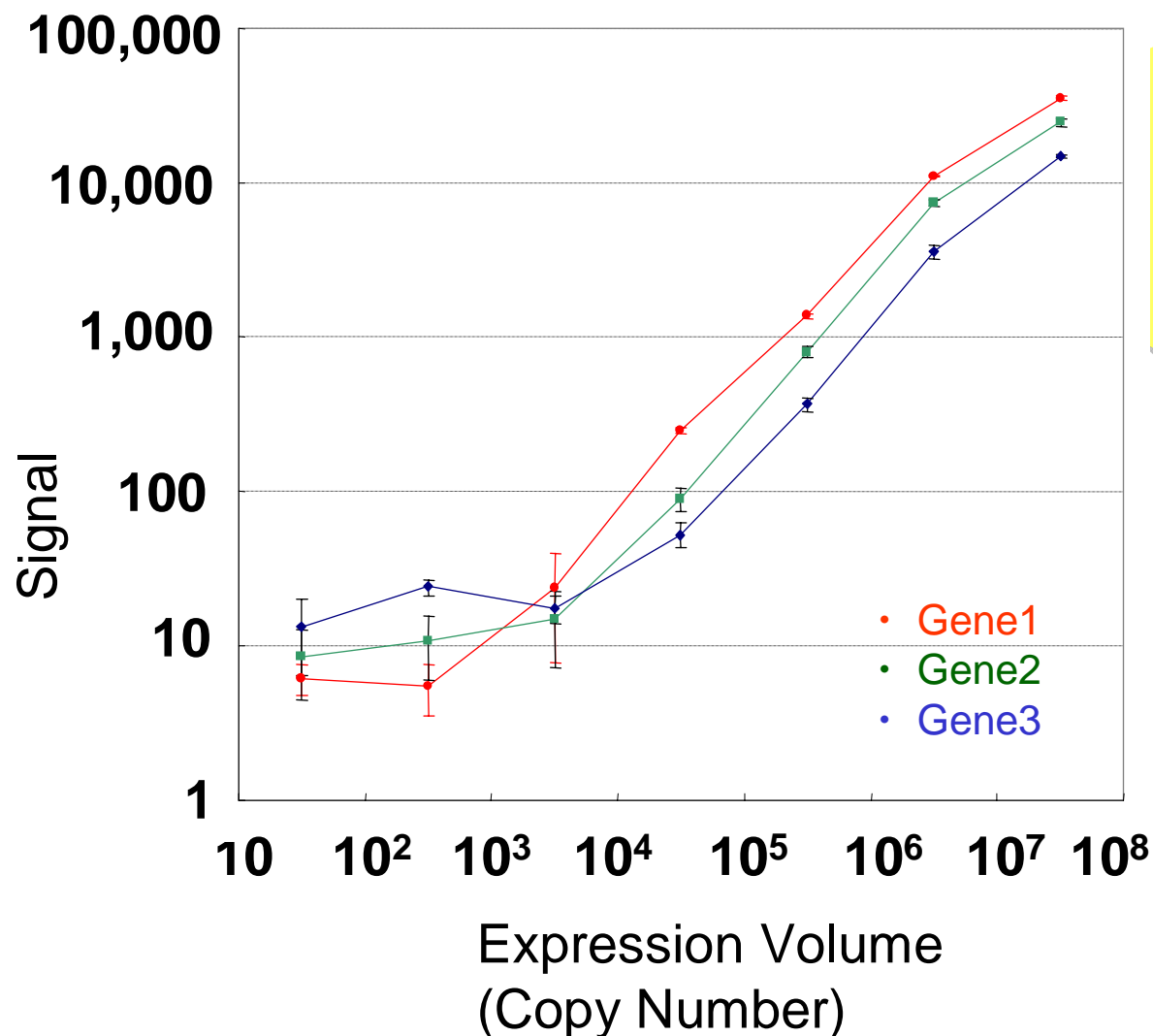
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Different probes in each compartment

Possible to a comprehensive analysis of gene

* : in case of U133 plus2.0

Performance of DNA chip (expression analysis)



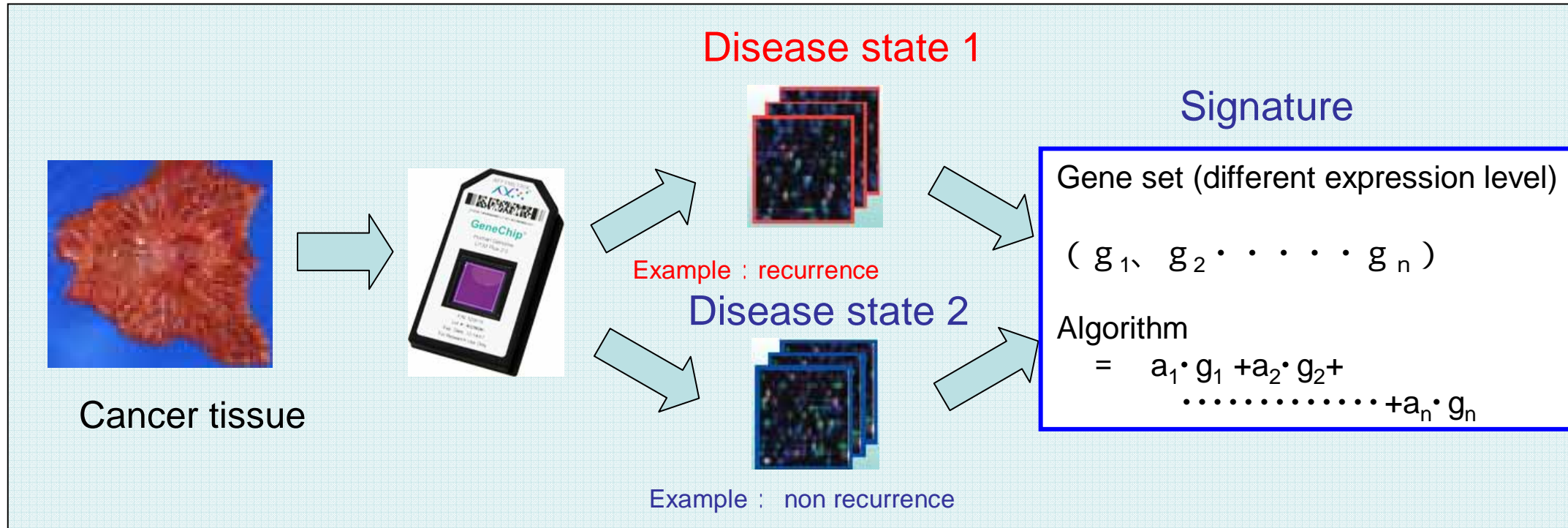
Dynamic range : $6.0 \times 10^3 \sim 1.2 \times 10^6$ copy/ μ L
Sensitivity : 600 copy/ μ L
Reproducibility : CV < 15%

Performance of QRT-PCR

Adequate performance for multi-parameter measurement PF

Issue of DNA chip for diagnosis

Conventional analysis method



Issue

Easily obtainable desired out come with several terms of thousands of parameters (Over-training)

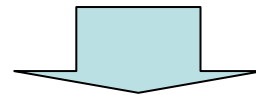
Different results in each test

- Essential requirements

To obtain stable clinical result by any laboratories

- Sufficient requirements

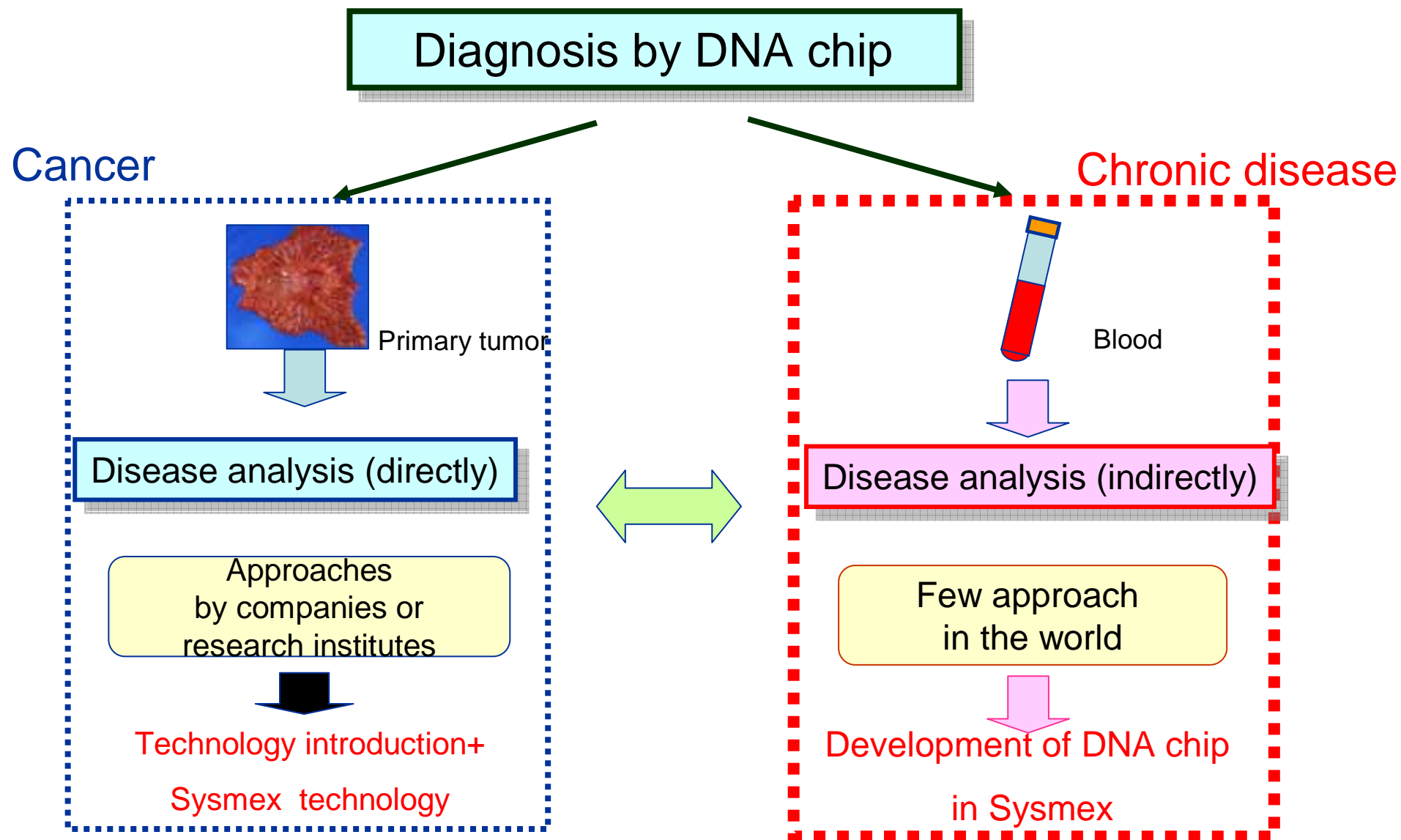
To obtain adequate and clinical performance



- ✓ Sample preparation method
- ✓ Quality assurance method
- ✓ Analysis method

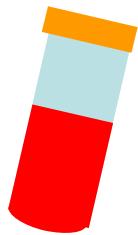
Development of original DNA chip technology

Technology acquisition strategy of clinical DNA chip

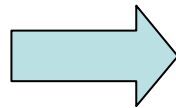


Chronic disease :

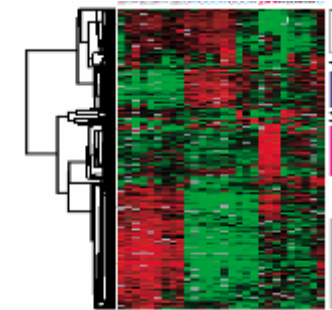
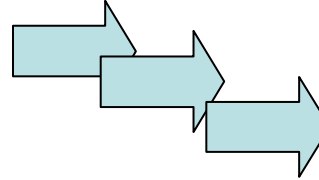
How to elucidate disease condition from blood?



Blood



U133 human genome expression



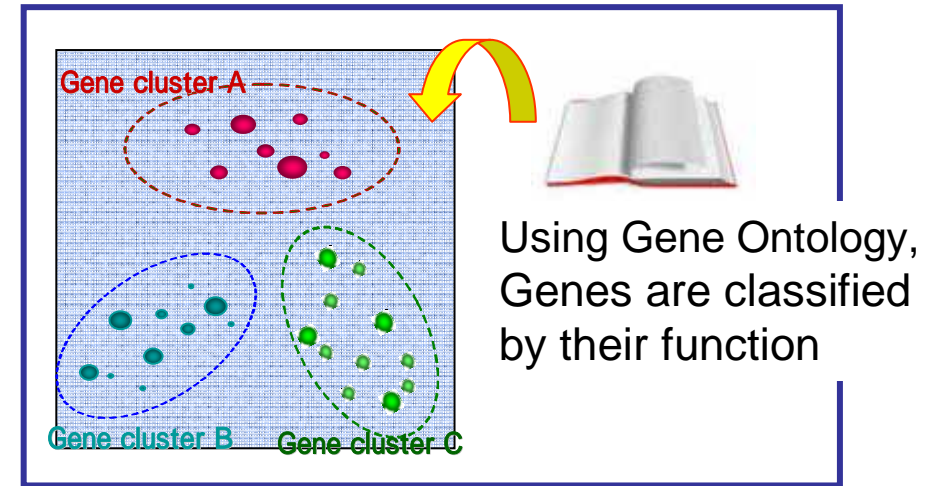
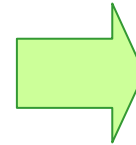
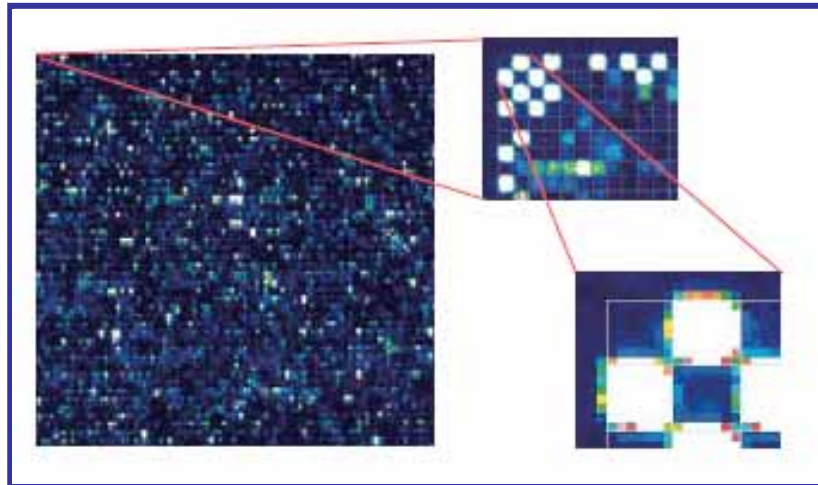
Establishment
of diagnostic method

Target :

- ✓ Systemic diseases
- ✓ No effective biochemical marker available

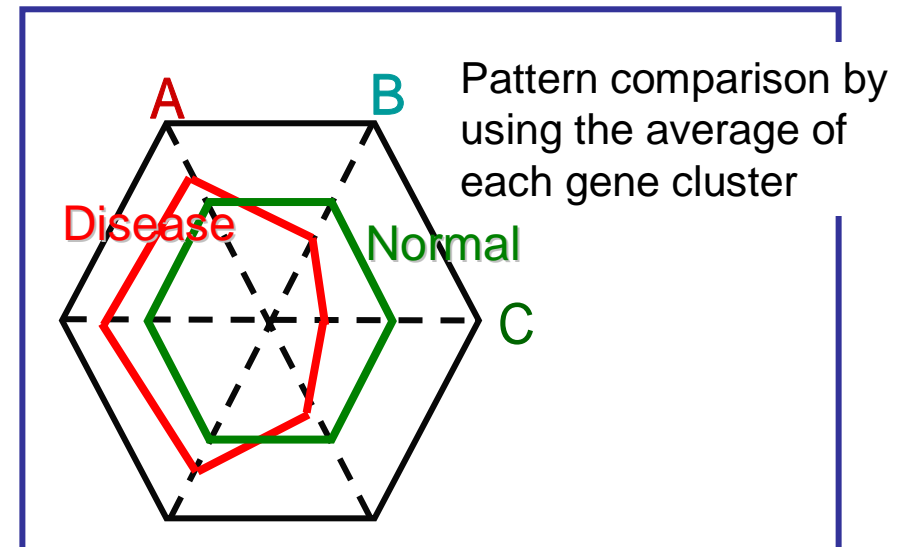
Central nervous system

Original analysis technology



Expected merit

- Stable analysis result (robust)
- Easy interpretation of relation between clinical findings and disease condition



Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

For a long time..



CFS is

✓ **a complicated disorder** caused by infection and/or stress (chemical, biological, psycho-social situation).

✓ **Central nerve system dysfunction** that is triggered by **abnormal immune system** (TGF- and IF etc.).

Normal (1,000 people)

Chronic Fatigue (94 people)

Treatment required (16 people)

CFS(2.3 people)

Current issue

1. There is no objective diagnostic method.
2. Difficult to diagnose by non-specialist.

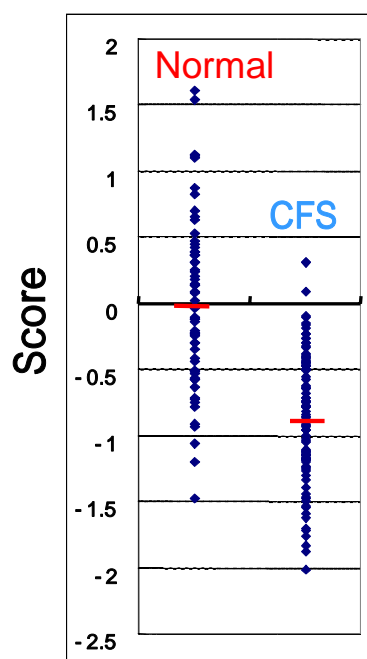


- * Difficulty in early detection leads to severe condition
- * Repeating doctor shopping

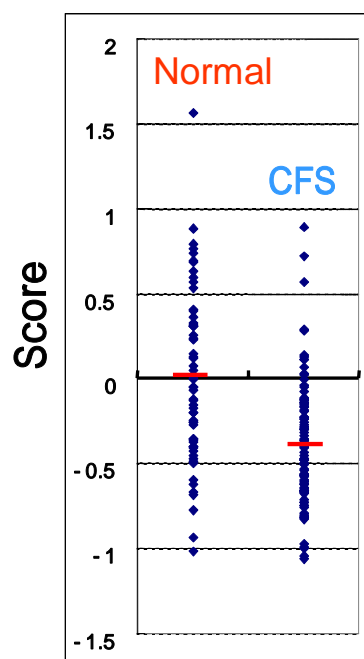
CFS analysis by DNA chip (1)

Extraction of 9 gene clusters (function)
for disease condition analysis

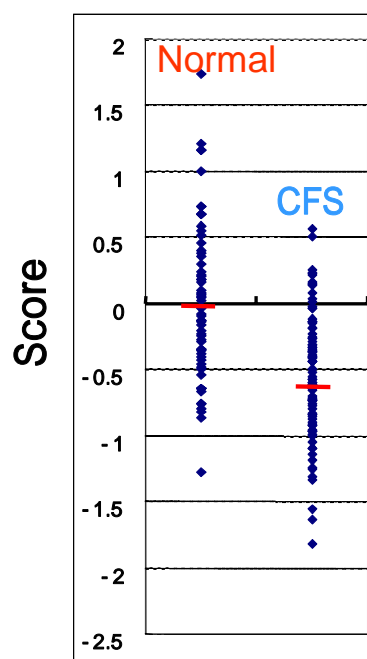
Energy production



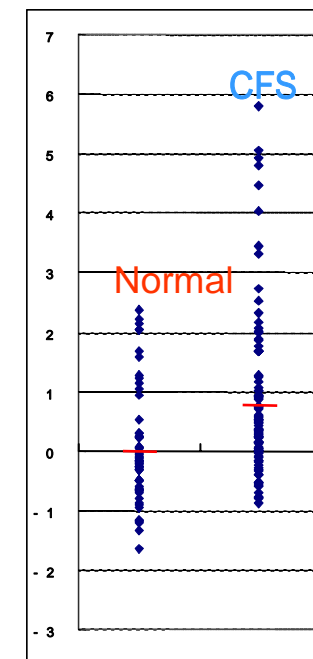
Anti-oxidation



T-cell function



Virus infection

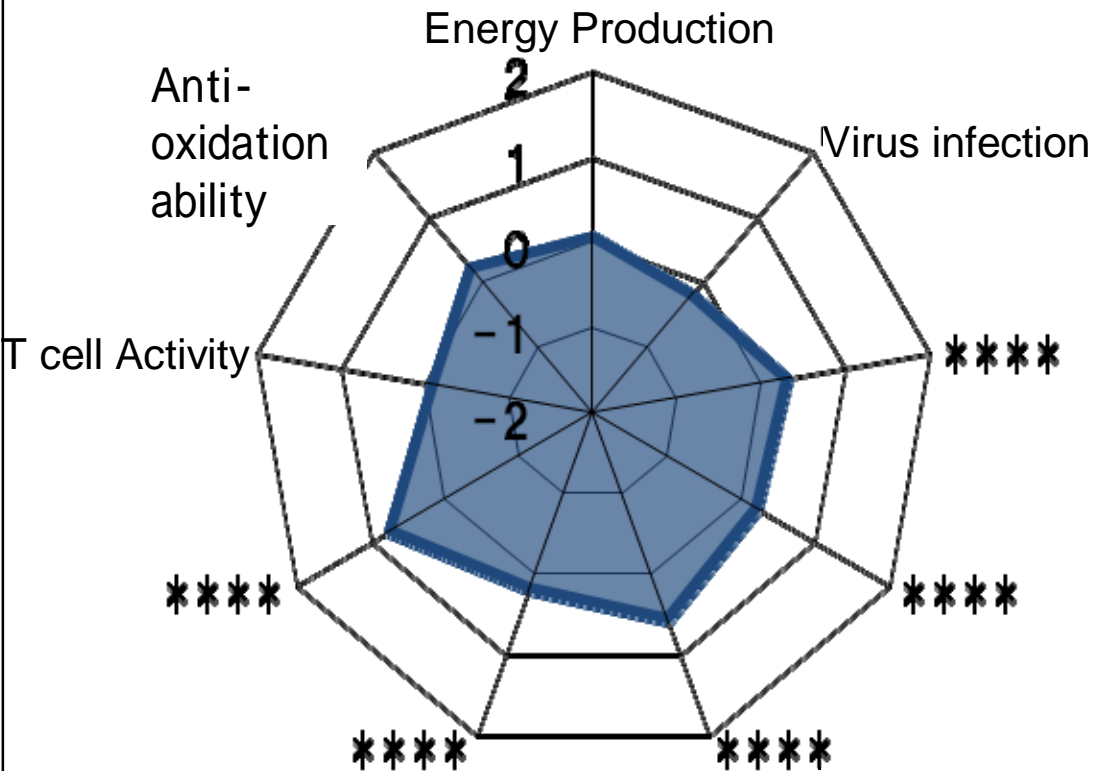


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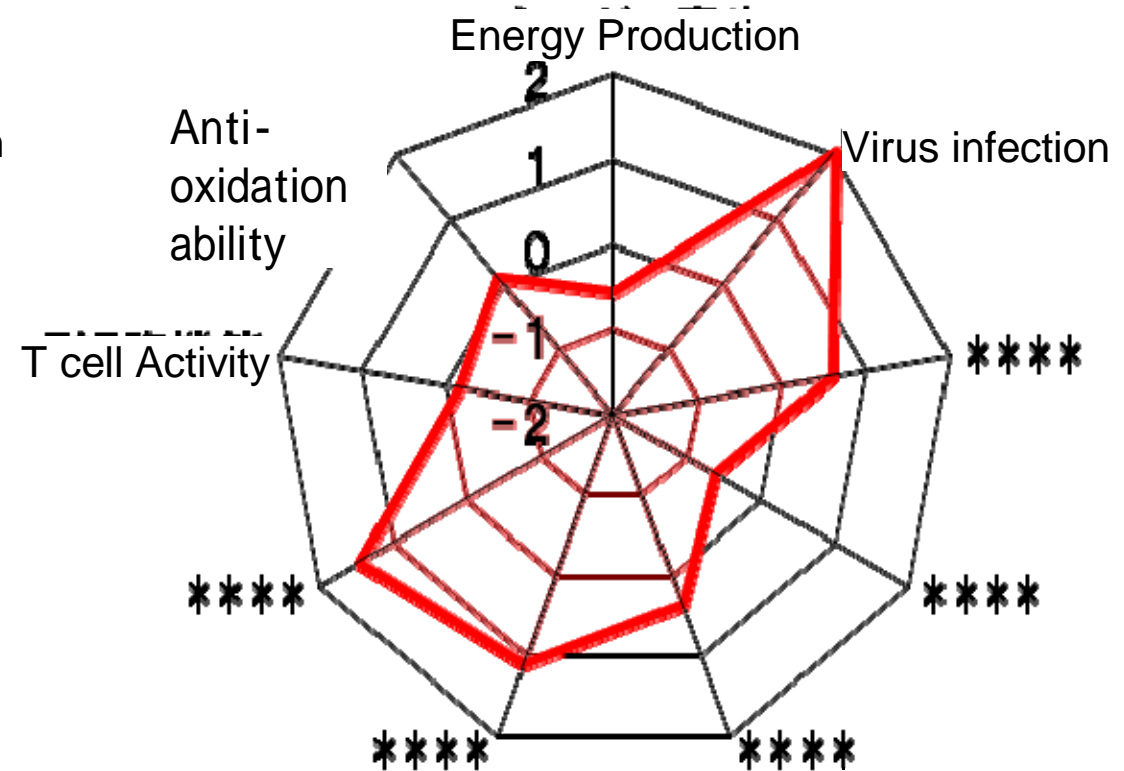
Score = The average of [(Signal-the average of healthy individual) / SD of healthy individual]

CFS analysis by DNA chip (2)

Normal



CFS



CFS analysis by DNA chip (3)

~ Comparison between normal and CFS by matching ages ~

	<i>DNA chip</i>	
	<i>+</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>CFS</i>	<i>94</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Normal</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>58</i>

Sensitivity 94.0%
Specificity 92.0%
Concordance 93.3%

~ Comparison between young normal and CFS ~

	<i>DNA chip</i>	
	<i>+</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>CFS</i>	<i>94</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Normal</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>187</i>

Sensitivity 94.0%
Specificity 93.5%
Concordance 93.7%

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We Believe the Possibilities.

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