CROWN BIOSCIENCE Data Science and **Bioinformatics Services** Unlocking Potential: Data-driven Insights for Informed Decision-making

Data Science and Bioinformatics Services

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In the realm of preclinical drug discovery, bioinformatics stands as a vital catalyst. Leveraging computational analysis and data-driven insights, it accelerates target identification, disease and drug mechanism of action (MoA) discovery, and biomarker discovery, reducing costs and late-stage risks. Crown Bioscience's in-house bioinformatics team excels in harnessing 'omics' big data, unlocking innovation-driven insights. By leveraging bioinformatics, we maximize data value, enabling informed decisions, including biomarker-driven clinical trial design, derisking drug development, and offering cost savings. Our commitment to innovation drives us to bring promising drugs to the clinical stage, advancing healthcare and improving outcomes.

Our Advantages:



In-house Expertise with Proven Publication History:

Our dedicated in-house bioinformatics team has a proven history of contributing to peer-reviewed publications, bringing specialized knowledge to your projects.



Vast 'OMICS' Data Expertise:

With deep expertise in handling and interpreting 'omics' big data, we harness its full potential to drive meaningful insights.



Customized Solutions:

Our services are tailored to meet your unique research needs, offering flexibility and adaptability.



Collaborative Partnership:

We work closely with you, enhancing the success of your research endeavors.



Rapid Response:

Known for our prompt communication and efficient project management, we deliver timely results.



Cost-effective Solutions:

We optimize study design and resource usage to provide costeffective solutions.



Our Bioinformatics Services at a Glance

Preclinical Biomarker Discovery:

Uncover insights for cell line, organoid, and mouse screening studies.

OMICS Data Analysis:

Harness extensive 'OMICS' datasets, including Genomics, Transcriptomics, and Proteomics.

Unique NGS Services:

Innovative NGS offerings, such as Mouse Immunooncology RNA-Seq and Patented Cell Line and Biosample Authentication with Deep Sequencing.

• Drug Combination Analysis:

Enhance in vitro and in vivo combination studies.

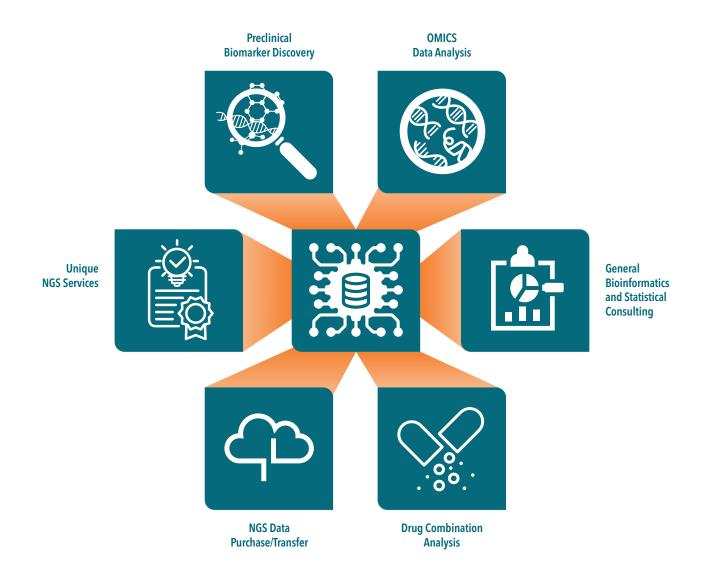
General Bioinformatics and Statistical Consulting:

Tailored support for your research and development needs, including expert statistical guidance.

• NGS Data Purchase/Transfer:

Secure and ethical data procurement is facilitated through Material Transfer Agreements (MTAs).

Crown Bioscience Bioinformatics Services



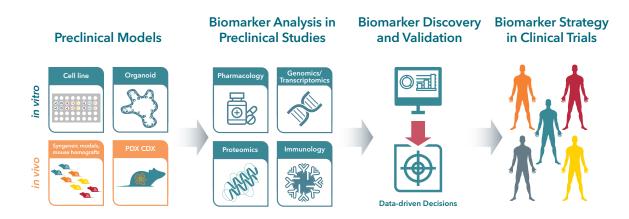
Preclinical Biomarker Discovery

Preclinical biomarker discovery strategies help to identify potential therapeutic targets, assess the safety and effectiveness of new compounds, identify subgroups of patients who are likely to respond to a particular therapy and inform the design of clinical trials. If introduced early in preclinical studies, they can play a key role in reducing the cost and time required for drug development.

Utilize our services to make informed decisions:

- Large-collection of in vivo and in vitro preclinical models and screening services
- Comprehensive multiomics biomarker analysis
- Complementary databases covering baseline profiling data and historical data of our in-house models
- Experimental design aids
- Powerful bioinformatics data processing capabilities to maximize the value of your data

Preclinical Biomarker Discovery with Crown Bioscience



Biomarker Discovery Via In Vitro Screening

Utilize time- and cost-efficient *in vitro* screening to explore/ validate your drug MoA, identify genetic features associated with drug response on a set of cell lines/organoids, develop single or composite biomarkers, and provide advice and guidance on future *in vivo* model selection.

Cell line and organoid collections: Over 500 validated and well characterized cell lines for drug response screening and the only CRO service provider of oncology adult stem cell-derived organoids.

OmniScreen™ Cell-Based Screening Service:

Biomarker discovery streamlined with OmniScreen

- Well-validated, large-scale cell panel screening platform
- Focused screening panels
- By cancer type
- Mutation of interest
- Availability of matched in vivo models
- Quarterly enrollment
- Cost effective: positive drug control and cell line revival costs are included

Biomarker Discovery Via In Vivo Screening

In vivo screening using mouse models can mimic phase II clinical trials to provide accurate measurement of drug efficacy and is powerful for biomarker discovery due to its unique study designs.

Animal model collection: the world's largest commercial collection of patient-derived xenografts (PDX) models, cell line-derived xenografts (CDX), syngeneic models, humanized models, immunocompetent chimeric mouse models, tumor homografts, and more

In vivo screening via mouse clinical trial: preclinical population studies that help stratify patients for clinical trials

In vivo screens for evaluating immunotherapies: MuScreen™

- Cost-effective and time-efficient screen to fast-track *in vivo* preclinical immunotherapy development
- Screen compounds across well-validated panels of syngeneic and tumor homograft models
- Benefit from Crown Bioscience covering the cost of the vehicle group for all models



Multiomics Biomarker Analysis

Comprehensive multiomics biomarker analysis allows researchers to gain a more complete understanding of the molecular changes that underlie a particular disease or during the response to certain treatment.

At Crown Bioscience, we continually invest in cutting-edge technologies, and validate and develop new assays, to provide our customers with a comprehensive range of multiomics laboratory services.



Genomics and Services Transcriptomics

- Standard Services: sample preparation, PCR, qPCR, Sanger Sequencing
- High throughput methods: WGS, WES, RNA-Seq, WGBS, LncRNA-Seq, single cell sequencing, microbiome sequencing, NanoString services, etc.
- Mouse I/O RNA-Seq panel, cell line authentication with deep sequencing



Proteomics

- Immunoassays: ELISA, MSD, Luminex®, Western Blot, 2D gel, and ELISpot
- Mass spectrometry-based proteomics: 4D-DIA quantitative Proteomics, 4D phosphoproteomics and post-translational modification analysis
- Sample preparation and protein separation



Spatial Biology and Digital Pathology

- Digital pathology, IHC, IF, in-situ hybridization/ RNAScope
- NanoString spatial multiomics services
- Tumor tissue microarray
- Rare cell analysis
- High content imaging



Immune Monitoring

- Mouse I/O RNA-Seq Panel
- Flow cytometry
- Cytokine and chemokine profiling
- ELISA and multiplex immunoassays



Bioanalysis

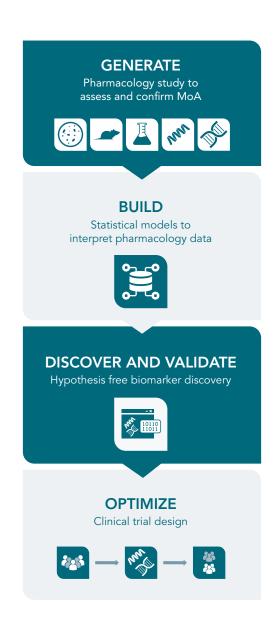
- DMPK
- ELISA, MSD, HPLC, LC-MS/MS based bioanalysis
- Biofluid test
- Flow cytometry
- Cytokine and chemokine profiling

Bioinformatics Data Analysis for Biomarker Discovery

Trust our extensive experience and powerful bioinformatics capabilities to maximize the value of your preclinical data, and de-risk your drug development through early identification of candidate biomarkers.

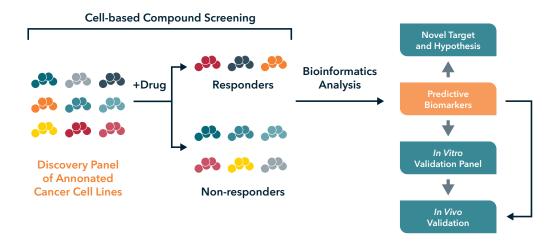
Use our biomarker discovery services to advance your preclinical and clinical therapeutic candidates with:

- In-depth biological insight into mechanisms of action and pharmacodynamics
- Enhanced trial design and patient stratification through datainformed trial decisions
- Improved clinical trial success using predictive or prognostic biomarkers



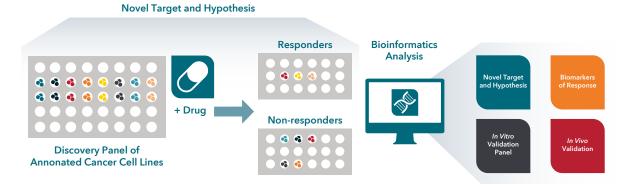


Biomarker discovery can be conducted using data from cell line and organoid screens.

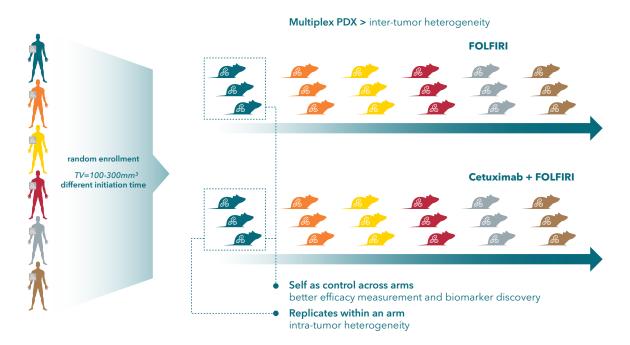


OmniScreen™ Cell based screening service.

Well-validated in vitro screening program for rapid and cost-effective screening of over 500 cell lines.



Mouse clinical trials. Design and advantages with inter-tumor heterogeneity.

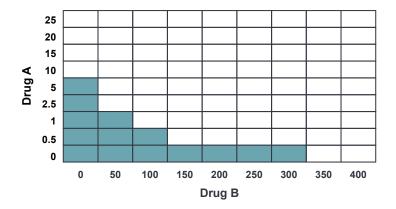




CrownSyn™ Drug Combination Analysis

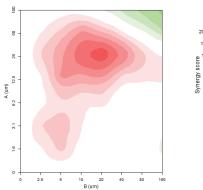
Evaluate and quantify two-drug combination effects of synergistic, antagonistic, and additive cell-based assays with Crown**Syn** algorithm-based reports.

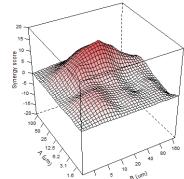
Use your dosing data from your existing assays or work with our experts to design a study, taking advantage of our well-validated cell lines and variety of assay options.



Analyze dosing data from two common types of drug combination experimental designs:

- Fixed Ratio: constant concentration ratio
- Matrix Ratio: variable concentration ratios





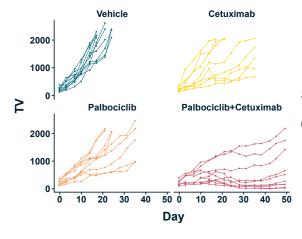
Quantitative Data Visualization

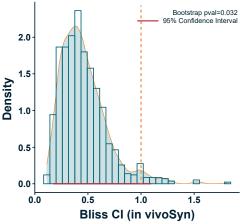
- Dose-response curve graphs
- Combination index graphs
- Inhibition heat maps
- 2D contour maps
- 3D response surface plots

Validated • Accurate • Reproducible • Robust • Reliable

To optimize your Crown**Syn** service, use our extensive cell-based assay options to produce your dosing data, learn more at www.crownbio.com/crownsyn

A standard 4-arm in vivo 2-drug combination study.







Proteomics Services and Data Analysis

Services Offered

- 4D-DIA quantitative proteomics
- 4D phosphoproteomics
- Post-translational modification (PTM) analysis

Applications

- Global proteomics profiling of cells or tissues, with/without treatment
- Proteomics biomarker discovery and validation
- Drug mechanism of action and toxicity studies
- Disease mechanism studies
- Target identification and validation
- Complementary analysis and correlation approaches for other omics analysis

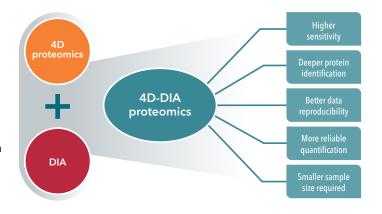
Key Advantages

- Cost-effective and fast turnaround time, with no compromise on quality
- Enhanced sensitivity: ion mobility can improve the sensitivity of MS by reducing the background signal and increasing the signal-to-noise ratio. This is particularly useful for identifying and quantifying low-abundance proteins.
- Superior data quality and reproducibility: DIA provides a more comprehensive analysis of all ions in the sample, rather than just a select few in data dependent acquisition (DDA).
- Improved PTM identification: ion mobility mass spectrometry can separate isobaric species and provide improved resolution of PTMs, to facilitate the identification and characterization of PTMs in proteins.
- · Suitable for large sample cohort studies
- Proteomics-based biomarker discovery capability: customized bioinformatic analysis available for large cohort studies

4D-DIA Quantitative Proteomics

Rapid, Unbiased and Deep Proteome Profiling

A new generation of 4D-DIA proteomics technology combines 4D proteomics, which added ion mobility as the fourth separation dimension to traditional LC-MS/MS (retention time, mass-to-charge ratio (m/z) and MS/MS fingerprint), with data independent acquisition (DIA) strategy, which avoids data imbalance caused by randomness by realizing "lossless acquisition" of all possible data.



Technical Strengths of 4D-DIA Quantitative Proteomics

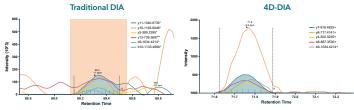
4D Alignment for Better Identification

Adding ion mobility separation to the traditional LC-MS/MS adds an extra dimension for calibration, so it can accurately discriminate the specific peptide signals from the mixed spectra of DIA, effectively reducing spectra complexity and improving the detection accuracy and reliability of DIA.

Mass Spectrometry Facility



4D-DIA technology effectively reduces the complexity of the spectrum

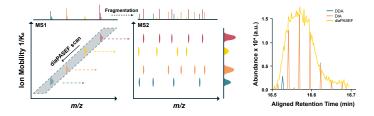


The chromatograms of EVGSHFDDFVTNLIEK peptide after calibration. There is a high interference signal in the traditional DIA method (left), while the signal background in the 4D-DIA (right) is very clean.



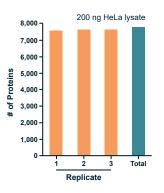
Nearly 100% Ion Utilization, Maximized Detection Sensitivity

The ion-mobility-related collisional cross-section (CCS) value correlates well with m/z. This feature allows the Quadrupole to scan gradually to collect nearly 100% of the ion signals, greatly enhancing the sensitivity and depth of detection.



Significant Improvement in Detection Depth

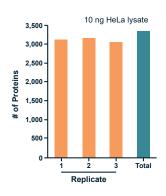
4D-DIA identifies and quantifies low-abundant proteins more accurately than traditional methods, thereby increasing the depth of proteomics detection.



>7,500 proteins can be identified from a single injection of 200 ng of HeLa lysate (120-minute run time), and 6,974 proteins can be quantified with 96% data completeness in triplicate runs. In comparison, conventional proteomics usually requires µg-level samples to detect about 5,000 proteins.

Better Quantitative Integrity

4D-DIA technology further pushes the limits of sensitivity with advanced instrument performance and upgraded acquisition methods.



>3,000 protein can be identified from a single injection of 10 ng HeLa lysate (120-minute run time), and 3,323 proteins can be identified by triplicated runs.

4D Phosphoproteomics

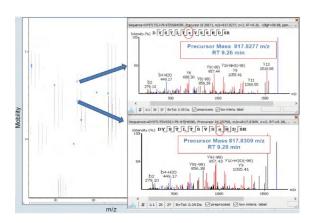
Rapid, Deep and Accurate Phosphoproteome Analysis

- Immobilized metal affinity chromatography (IMAC) strategy: using proprietary targeted antibodies to enrich phosphopeptides, to reduce sample complexity
- Additional ion mobility separation enables more reliable and deeper coverage for phosphorylation
- Strict dual quality control to remove low confident data: false discovery rate (FDR, 1%); false localization rate (FLR, 0.75)
- Upgraded bioinformatic analysis available: kinase prediction, signaling analysis, and data mining

Technical Strengths of 4D Phosphoproteomics

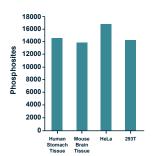
More Reliable Modification Identification Results

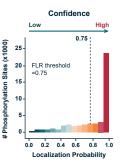
4D phosphoproteomics resolves the issue of isomerization in PTM through ion mobility separation, which ensures more reliable identification of PTMs.



Deeper Coverage of Phosphorylation Site Identification

>10,000 phosphorylation sites (localization probability > 0.75) were identified with high confidence in various cell tissues, 50% higher than the traditional method.







Genomics, Transcriptomics Services and NGS Data Analysis

Our Genomics and Transcriptomics Services

Genomics and transcriptomics have transformed drug discovery and development by illuminating disease mechanisms and potential drug targets. We invest in cutting-edge equipment and streamlined workflows to ensure precision and reproducibility. Our technology platforms include:

- **Next-Generation Sequencing (NGS):** utilizing MGISEQ-2000 and Illumina NovaSeq 6000 platforms for cost-efficient, high-quality sequencing across various applications.
- PacBio Long-read Sequencing: employing PacBio third-generation sequencing for de novo genome assembly, structural variation detection, and microbiome sequencing.
- **Bionano Optical Genome Mapping:** leveraging the Bionano Saphyr system for high-resolution structural variation detection and genome assembly.
- NanoString: with nCounter and GeoMx platforms, we enable high-throughput gene expression analysis and spatial biology.
- 10x Genomics: utilizing the 10x Genomics platform, including chromium single cell for high-throughput single-cell transcriptomics, and visium spatial for comprehensive spatial gene expression insights. (Indivumed Services, a Crown Bioscience Company)













We offer a diverse range of advanced genomics and NGS services, including:

- RNA-Seq
- Whole Exome Sequencing (WES)
- Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS)
- Whole Genome Bisulfite Sequencing (WGBS)
- Long Non-coding RNA Sequencing (IncRNA-Seq)
- **NanoString Services:** nCounter, spatial genomics and proteomics services.
- 10X Genomics Services: single cell sequencing and spatial transcriptomics.
- Microbiome Sequencing: this includes full-length 16S sequencing, metagenomics sequencing, and metatranscriptomics sequencing.
- PacBio Long Read Sequencing
- Bionano Structural Variation Detection



Genomics/Transcriptomics Bioinformatics Data Analysis

Our expertise merges programming, big data analysis, and biological knowledge to empower you in fully understanding and interpreting your genomics data. Whether as an add-on to sequencing services or a stand-alone option, our bioinformatics services help you maximize data value:

- Data Visualization
- Statistical and Comparative Analysis
- Biomarker Discovery
- Drug Mechanism of Action Understanding
- Complex Sample Analysis

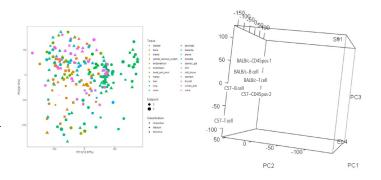
Examples of Analysis (not limited to):

- Data Distribution Analysis
- Dimensional Reduction (Clustering Analysis)
- Differential Expression Analysis
- Gene Ontology Enrichment Analysis
- Pathway Enrichment Analysis
- Pathway View
- Protein-Protein Interaction Network (STRING)
- Co-expression Network Analysis
- Deconvolution Analysis for Cell Fractions Identification
- Genomic and Transcriptomic Variants Analysis

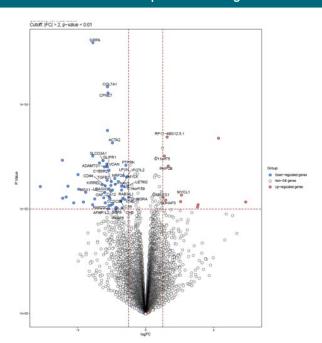
Data Distribution Analysis

0.15 BALBC - B cell BALBC - CD45pos-1 BALBC - T cell C57 - Bcell S91 Expression Sample

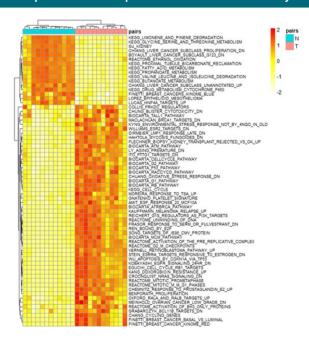
Dimensional Reduction (Clustering Analysis)



Volcano Plot: Differential Expression on Single Gene Level



Heatmap: Differential Expression on Gene Set/Pathway Level





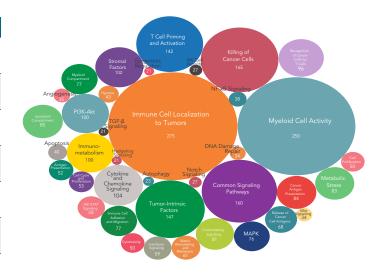
Mouse I/O RNA-Seq Panel

 Comprehensive profiling of genes associated with tumor immunity by measuring 1080 mouse transcripts from a single sample

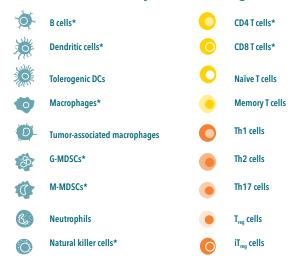
Mouse I/O RNA-Seq Panel Benefits		
Comprehensive	 Expression level of 1080 genes from a single sample Wide coverage in tumors, TME, and immune response 	
Flexible Sample Types	Extracted RNA Multiple tissues: tumor, blood, immune cells etc.	
High-Throughput	Suitable for large-scale immunotherapy screening, as well as examining multiple tissues in parallel	
High Sensitivity High Accuracy	 >3 times the sequencing depth of RNA-Seq Avoid biases on non-protein coding RNAs like mitochondrial RNAs 	
Easy Integration	As standalone service or streamline with preclinical <i>in vivo</i> studies Complementary with FACS, IHC and Western Blot	
Cost-Effective Fast Turnaround	Lower cost per sample 3-week turnaround time	

Assay Comparison					
	Mouse I/O RNA-Seq Panel	Microarray I/O profiling			
Technology	Targeted deep NGS	Target mRNA (cDNA) hybridize with DNA probes			
Target Molecules	mRNAs	mRNAs			
Throughput	High (1080 genes)	High (hundreds to thousands of genes, depending on vendor)			
Accuracy	High	Low-medium			
Sensitivity on detecting low expressing genes	High	Low-medium			
Mouse strain discrimination	Yes	No			
Turnaround time	2-3 weeks	3-10 weeks depending on vendor			
Cost	Low	Medium			

• Rapid transcriptomic insights into key immune cell populations and I/O pathways and process in the TME

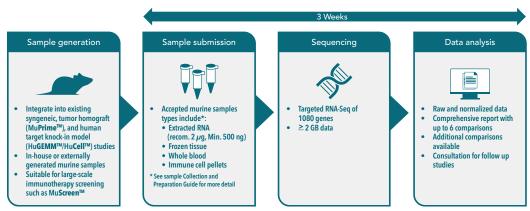


Panel Includes Key Immune Cell Signatures



^{*}Strain specific gene signatures available for C57BL/6 and BALB/c

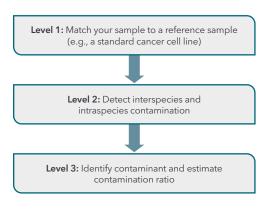
Streamline Your In Vivo Study Sample Analysis Workflow

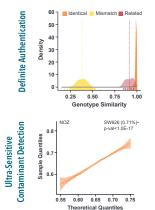


Outperforms Conventional PCR-based STR/SNP Assays

- Increased Accuracy
- Increased Sensitivity
- Higher Throughput
- Extensive Information
- Lower Cost Per Sample
- Rapid Turnaround

Achieve Three-Level Authentication





Suitable Sample Types:

Human and mouse samples (cell lines, tissues, organoids, and xenografts)

Use Cases				
Catalogue new samples with SNP fingerprints	As a standard QC during experiments			
Authenticate samples across multiple species	Simultaneously check for contamination and mycoplasma infection			

Cell Line Authentication (CLA) Assay Comparison	CLA with Deep Sequencing	CLA with PCR-based STR Assay
Technology	Barcode Deep Sequencing	Multiplex PCR & capillary electrophoresis
# of DNA sites detected	600+	Usually 9 to 24, depending on the vendors
Readout Type	Digital (clean, near-zero quantification error)	Analog (noisy, high quantification error)
Contamination-Detecting Sensitivity	High (1%)	Low to medium (5-20%)
Accuracy	High	Low to medium
Throughput	Yes	Low
Human Sample Authentication	Yes	Yes
Mouse Sample Authentication	Yes	Limited
Mycoplasma Detection	Yes	No
Viral Infection Detection	Yes	No
Quantification of Contamination Ratio	Yes	No
Interspecies Contamination Detection	Yes	Limited
Intraspecies Contamination Detection	Yes	Limited
Population Structure Inference for Human Samples	Yes	No
Gender Detection for Human Samples	Yes	No
Suitable for Large Biobanks	Yes	No
Tracing Genetic Drift And Constructing Phylogeny of Samples	Yes	No
Suitable for Detecting Contamination for Samples w/o Reference	Yes	No

Additional information:

- List of authenticatable human and mouse cell lines at https://qc.crownbio.com
- NAR Genomics and Bioinformatics, Volume 2, Issue 3, September 2020, Iqaa060, https://doi.org/10.1093/nargab/Iqaa060

Additional service information:

• https://www.crownbio.com/technologies/genomics/cell-line-model-authentication



General Bioinformatics Services and Statistical Consultant

Our in-house team of bioinformatics experts is at your disposal to facilitate a range of general bioinformatics services and consultancy. Leveraging a rich background in bioinformatics, we tailor our offerings to meet the distinct needs of your research, providing a service characterized by adaptability and flexibility. From data analysis to the integration of various bioinformatics tools and databases, our team crafts solutions that can drive your research forward, offering insight and expertise at every step of the process. Moreover, we hold a firm belief in the power of collaborative efforts, and warmly welcome opportunities for academic collaborations.

OMICS Data Purchase and Transfer

Crown Bioscience is pleased to offer access to our extensive repository of in-house data, encompassing detailed genomics, transcriptomics, and proteomics datasets crafted through meticulous research and analysis. These valuable resources, generated utilizing our sophisticated in-house models, are readily available for purchase to fuel your research and analysis needs. The acquisition of this data is facilitated through a structured fee system designed to provide a seamless transfer of knowledge and information.

We encourage interested parties to reach out to us for further details regarding the specifics of the transfer process, pricing, and to explore how our datasets can complement and enhance your research endeavors.

Our dedicated team is on standby to assist you in navigating the range of data available, ensuring you secure the data most pertinent to your requirements. Let Crown Bioscience become your partner in research excellence, providing you with the data foundation necessary for groundbreaking discoveries.

Cancer Model Databases

Quickly Find Preclinical Models to Fit Your Research Needs



Choosing the right preclinical models is vital for successful oncology drug discovery, avoiding failures and ensuring accurate predictions for human trials. By utilizing our free cancer model databases, researchers gain a significant advantage in their preclinical oncology studies with time and cost savings. Access to diverse and well-characterized tumor models, along with extensive profiling and pharmacologic data, empowers researchers like you to make confident and well-informed decisions during oncology drug discovery.

Our Complimentary Cancer Model Databases: A Comprehensive Collection of Tumor Models and Data

We are proud to present our free databases, specifically designed to empower researchers with a diverse and extensive range of tumor models for preclinical oncology studies. Our databases are supported by a wealth of profiling and pharmacologic data, providing you with a valuable resource to accelerate your research efforts.



Our databases go beyond merely providing models. They include a wealth of existing data essential for comprehensive research. This data encompasses genomics and proteomics profiling, growth characteristics, information on standard of care treatments, and patient treatment history, among other critical details. With access to such comprehensive information, researchers can make informed decisions and select models that best represent the patient populations they aim to study.

HuBase™ - The World's Largest Collection of PDX Data

Access a diverse collection of over 2,400 (and growing) well-characterized and ready-for-service PDX models from US, European, and Asian populations, with genomic and proteomic profiling PDX data.

OrganoidBase™ - A Unique Collection of Patient-Relevant Organoid Models

The only commercially available 3D in vitro models derived using IP-protected Hubrecht Organoid Technology (HUB) protocols.

MuBase® - Multiple Immuno-Oncology Murine Models

Search across murine immunity and human target expressing models including;

- Syngeneic models
- GEMM and carcinogen-induced primary mouse tumor models
- Murine tumor homografts (Mu**Prime™**)
- Humanized target Hu**GEMM™** models

XenoBase® - A Large Selection of Cell Lines for In Vitro and In Vivo Applications

Well-curated and detailed profiles for more than 1000 cancer cell lines and 200 validated *in vivo* cell line derived xenograft (CDX) models.



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