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COMPREHENSIVE GENOMIC CHARACTERIZATION OF SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA OF THE HEAD AND NECK

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# Epidemiology: Head and Neck Cance a common disease

- 5th most common cancer worldwide
  - 500,000 cases / year
  - 200,000 deaths
- Most common cancer in central Asia
- 6<sup>th</sup> most common cancer in US
  - 45,000+ cases annually
- Risk factors
  - Smoking (80% attributable risk)
  - Human papilloma virus



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# **HNSCC - Data Freeze**

- 279 samples = complete cases (exon sequencing, tumor snp chips, RNA sequencing, methylation, miRNA sequencing)
- 84/279 have low pass tumor and normal
- 9/279 have a second matched normal
- 37/279 have "matched normal RNA and miRNA"
- 253/279 blood aliquot (+18 with tumor adjacent normal SNP)
- 9/279 no matched snp chip
- 71/279 tumor adjacent normal SNP
- 50/279 "normal methylation"
- 212 RPPA data

# **Demographics**

- Median age 61
  - Versus 57 from SEER
- 10% minority
  - Mostly African American
- Smoking
  - Never = 20%
  - Light(<15 pack yr)28%</p>
  - Heavy = 52%
- 73% male

- 11% HPV positive by sequencing analysis
- Tumor site
  - Oral cavity 62%
  - Larynx 26%
  - Oropharynx 11%
  - Hypopharynx 1%



# **Demographics**

- Stage I 5%
- Stage II 20%
- Stage III 16%
- Stage IVa 57%
- Stage IVb 2%
- Stage IVc <1%
- Alive 44%
- Deceased 66%

- Stage I-II = no lymph<sup>7</sup>
  nodes, smaller tumors
- Stage III = larger tumors or single small lymph node
- Stage IV a & b = bone involvement, large tumors, and / or multiple nodes
- Stage IVc distant metastases The Cancer Genome Atlas

## **HPV Status?**

	$\sim$	Clinical p16			
		Negative	Positive	NA	
Clinical ISH	Negative	31	0	0	A REAL AND
	Positive	0	4	1	and the second se
	NA	1	2	214	
			DNA sequencing		
		Positive	NA		
Clinical ISH	Negative	0	31		
	Positive	5	0		
	NA	29	190		
		Positive	NA	<u> </u>	Tumor site
Clinical p16	Negative	0	32		Turnor site
	Positive	6	0		
	NA	26	189		
	$\subset$	RNA sequencing		/	Smoking
			Some evidence	Negative	status
		Definite(>=1000)	(1-1000)	(count = 0)	status
Clinical_ISH	Negative	0	8	23	
	Positive	5	0	0	
	NA	26	53	138	
Clinical_p16	Negative	0	9	23	
	Positive	6	0	0	
	NA	25	52	138	
LowPass	Positive	6	4	0	
	NA	25	57	161	
DNA sequence	Positive	26	6	0	
	NA	5	55	161	

# **Conclusion for cohort**

- Current data freeze is the largest genomic dataset ever assembled for each of the individual components by a factor of at least 2 (with >200 samples in the pipeline)
- Integrated
- Clinical data
- Limitations
  - Surgical cohort
    - Few oropharynx / HPV samples
    - Few small tumors
  - Relatively small "clinical" cohort given the heterogeneity of sites, stages, and risk factors
  - HPV assessment

# The big picture- NSCLCs are among the most genomically deranged of all cancers



# Significantly mutated genes



# Lung Squamous Cell Carcinoma



## **Observation**

- HPV negative HNSCC looks a lot like lung squamous cell carcinoma
  - Mutations
  - Copy Number
  - Expression patterns
  - Pathways
- HPV positive HNSCC looks a lot like other HPV positive tumors (data not shown)



# HPV+(n=34) vs. HPV- (n=254)

Significant difference in terms of mutation rate							
Common sig genes (4) HPV+ q < 0.25 (25)	# Non Silent mutations		Mutation Rate				
HPV- q < 0.1(48)	HPV+	HPV-	HPV+	HPV-			
PIK3CA	12	49	0.353	0.193			
MLL2	9	45	0.265	0.177			
NSD1	6	28	0.176	0.11			
MUC16	16	67	0.471	0.264			
Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test	P value = 0.2 (Not significant due to small sample size)						
t. test	Not available due to small sample size						





# Pattern of SCNAs in HNSC are Similar to that in LUSC

HNSC



- $\leftrightarrow$ Common to both
- ↔Less frequent in HNSC
- → Distinctive to HNSC

# Comparison of Reoccurring Focal Amplifications between HNSC and LUSC

**HNSC** 







# HPV<sup>+</sup> Tumors Lack Reoccurring Focal Amps with RTKs

HPV<sup>-</sup>



HPV<sup>+</sup>



# Comparison of Reoccurring Focal Deletions between HPV<sup>+</sup> and HPV<sup>-</sup> HNSC



Black = Shared Tumor Suppressors



**Green = Fragile Sites** 





TRAF3



### **Observation**



- Copy number landscape is rich for HNSC
- Confident attribution of the gene even in narrow peeks is difficult, akin to functional prediction for somatic variants



# **RNASeq: Mutation validation**



UNCeqR - RNA mutation Confirmation

## **RNAseq: Structural variants and deeper coverag**





KRT14 – ACO22596





- Convincing evidence from early analysis does not strongly support recurrent in frame gene fusions
- Structural gene rearrangements are common
  - Functional events appear more likely to be inactivating events in tumor suppressor genes
  - Systematic annotation of these events are challenging



## Expression Profiling: Background

• Patterns should be (i) statistically significant, (ii) reproducible/valid, (iii) have genomic/clinical relevance





Walter, unpublished



TCGA HNSC, unpublished



# Expression subtypes reflect structural rearrangements





UNC, unpublished

Chromosome 7



TCGA HNSC, unpublished



# **Expression Profiling in HNSC**



CL MS ΒA RPA2 E2F2 FGFR3 NFE2L2 KEAP1 SOX2 PIK3CA AKR1C1 PDGFR/ PDGFRE TWIST1 TP63 TGFA EGFR

TCGA HNSC, unpublished



# Subtypes to evaluated marker genes



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# Subtypes to evaluated pathways:Cell Death/Apoptosis



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HNSC Public Clinical Data Sep-17-2012.xlsx



### Overall survival duration (mo)

Ι	с	2	4	5	3	1	all
Ι	п	56	41	- 29	27	106	259
	W	0.98	0.95	0.89	0.84	0.94	0.93





### DNA Methylation Subtyping

- Alveolar Ridge
- Base of Tongue
- Buccal Mucosa
- Floor of Mouth
- Hard Palate
- Hypopharynx
- Larynx
- Lip
- Oral Cavity
- Oral Tongue
- Oropharynx
- Tonsil
- Island
- Shore
- Shelf



### Do HNSCC present with Viral Transcripts?

Enterobacteria\_phage\_phIX174.\_complete\_genome Human\_papilomavirus\_type\_16, complete\_genome Human herpesvirus 8, complete genome Human\_herpesvirus\_1.\_complete\_gendme Human\_herpes/irus\_4\_type\_1,\_complete\_genome luman papilomavirus - 18. complete genome Human herpesvirus 5, complete genome Human\_papilomavirus\_type\_92, complete\_genome. Human\_herpesvirus\_4, complete\_genome. Human papilomavirus type 10, complete genome. Hepatitis E virus, complete genome Human\_herpesvirus\_6B.\_complete\_genome. Human herpesvirus 6A, complete genome, Human herpesvirus 2, complete genome Human papilomavirus type 26, complete genome Polyomav rus\_HPyV8.\_complete\_genome. Human\_papilomavirus\_type\_53,\_complete\_genome Human papilomavirus - 2. complete genome Human\_papilomavirus\_type\_32,\_complete\_genome Human\_papilomavirus\_type\_6b,\_complete\_genome

1000 10000 1e+05

Virus read counts

0

10

100

- Species:
  - HPV (16, 18, 92, 10, 26, 53, 32, 6b)
  - Herpes (One high level HSV-1)
  - Rare and low level HepB and Polyoma





Low Pass Whole Genome Head and Neck Sequencing: Detection of Viral Sequences

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