

# Variant Classification: ACMG recommendations

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# OVERVIEW

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- Introduction
- ACMG-AMP Classification System
- Evaluation of inter-laboratory concordance in variant classification

Link for download the ACMG Standards and Guidelines

[https://www.acmg.net/docs/Standards\\_Guidelines\\_for\\_the\\_Interpretation\\_of\\_Sequence\\_Variants.pdf](https://www.acmg.net/docs/Standards_Guidelines_for_the_Interpretation_of_Sequence_Variants.pdf)

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# Why Classification systems?



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## Sequence variant classification and reporting: recommendations for improving the interpretation of cancer susceptibility genetic test results

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## Proposed Classification System for Sequence Variants Identified by Genetic Testing

Class	Description	Probability of being Pathogenic
5	Definitely Pathogenic	>0.99
4	Likely Pathogenic	0.95–0.99
3	Uncertain	0.05–0.949
2	Likely Not Pathogenic or of Little Clinical Significance	0.001–0.049
1	Not Pathogenic or of No Clinical Significance	<0.001

5 classes linked to validated quantitative measures of causality/ pathogenicity

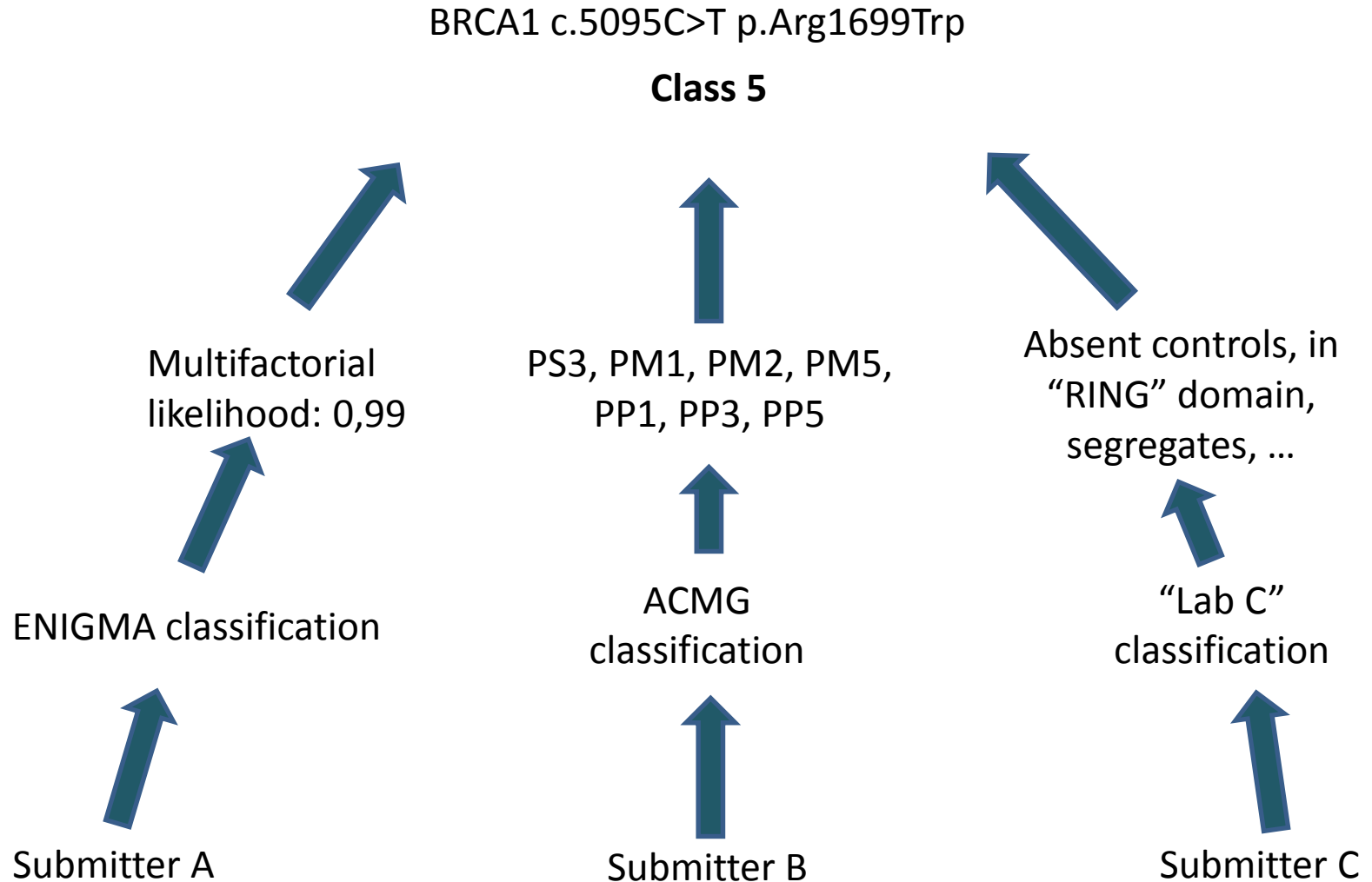
Class	Clinical Testing	Surveillance Recommendations if At-Risk Relative is Positive	Research Testing of Family Members
5	Test at-risk relatives for variant	Full high-risk surveillance guidelines	Not indicated
4	Test at-risk relatives for variant*	Full high-risk surveillance guidelines	May be helpful to further classify variant
3	Do not use for predictive testing in at-risk relatives*	Based on family history (and other risk factors)	May be helpful to further classify variant
2	Do not use for predictive testing in at-risk relatives*	Treat as “no mutation detected” for this disorder	May be helpful to further classify variant
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All 5 classes are linked to clinical recommendations

















Goal of IARC: To give actionable clinical recommendations to genetic data


Accurate and consistent variant classification is prerequisite for Dx & Precision Medicine

# Why Classification systems?



# Example of pathogenic variant BRCA1 p.Cys61Gly (ClinVar)

Clinical significance (Last evaluated)	Review status (Assertion method)	Collection method	Condition(s) (Mode of inheritance)	Origin	Citations	Submitter - Study name
Pathogenic (Aug 10, 2015) 	reviewed by expert panel • ENIGMA BRCA1/2 Classification Criteria (2015)	curation	Breast-ovarian cancer, familial 1 [MedGen   OMIM]	germline	• PubMed (1) [See all records that cite this PMID] • Other citation 	Evidence-based Network for the Interpretation of Germline Mutant Alleles (ENIGMA) Study description
Pathogenic (Nov 3, 2014) 	criteria provided, single submitter • ACMG Guidelines, 2015 • ACMG Guidelines, 2015	clinical testing	Breast-ovarian cancer, familial 1 [MedGen   OMIM]	germline		Michigan Medical Genetics Laboratories, University of Michigan
Pathogenic (Feb 11, 2016) 	criteria provided, single submitter • LMM Criteria	clinical testing	Hereditary breast and ovarian cancer syndrome (Autosomal dominant inheritance) [MedGen   Orphanet]	germline	• PubMed (8) [See all records that cite these PMIDs]	Laboratory for Molecular Medicine, Partners HealthCare Personalized Medicine
Pathogenic (Dec 30, 2014) 	criteria provided, single submitter • ACMG Guidelines, 2015 • ACMG Guidelines, 2015	clinical testing	Hereditary cancer-predisposing syndrome [MedGen]	germline		Color Genomics, Inc.,
Pathogenic (Feb 18, 2015) 	criteria provided, single submitter • Quest pathogenicity assessment criteria	clinical testing	Breast-ovarian cancer, familial 1 (Autosomal dominant inheritance) [MedGen   OMIM]	germline	• PubMed (11) [See all records that cite these PMIDs]	Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute San Juan Capistrano
Likely pathogenic (Jul 1, 2016) 	criteria provided, single submitter • ACMG Guidelines, 2015 • ACMG Guidelines, 2015	clinical testing	Familial cancer of breast [MedGen   Orphanet   OMIM]	germline		GeneKor MSA
Pathogenic (Oct 2, 2015) 	criteria provided, single submitter • CIMBA Mutation Classification guidelines May 2016	clinical testing	Breast-ovarian cancer, familial 1 [MedGen   OMIM]	germline		Consortium of Investigators Modifiers of BRCA1/2 (CIMB) University of Cambridge
Pathogenic (Feb 22, 2016) 	criteria provided, single submitter • Carraro et al. (PLoS One, 2013)	research	Breast cancer [MedGen]	germline	• PubMed (2) [See all records that cite these PMIDs]	Laboratory of Genomics and Molecular Biology, A. C. Camargo Cancer Center Study description
Pathogenic (Feb 22, 2016) 	criteria provided, single submitter • Ambry Autosomal Dominant and X-Linked criteria (10/2015)	clinical testing	Hereditary cancer-predisposing syndrome [MedGen]	germline		Ambry Genetics
Pathogenic (Jan 20, 2017) 	criteria provided, single submitter • GeneDx Variant Classification (06012015)	clinical testing	not provided [MedGen]	germline		GeneDx
Pathogenic (Apr 4, 2013) 	criteria provided, single submitter • ACMG guidelines, 2007	clinical testing	Hereditary breast and ovarian cancer syndrome [MedGen   Orphanet]	germline		Genetics Diagnostic Laboratory, Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario Study description
Pathogenic (May 13, 2015) 	criteria provided, single submitter • EGL Classification Definitions	clinical testing	Breast-ovarian cancer, familial 1 [MedGen   OMIM]	germline	• Other citation 	Emory Genetics Laboratory, Emory University
Pathogenic (Jan 18, 2017) 	criteria provided, single submitter • Invitae Variant Classification (09022015)	clinical testing	Hereditary breast and ovarian cancer syndrome [MedGen   Orphanet]	germline	• PubMed (2) [See all records that cite these PMIDs]	Invitae
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 ACMG-AMP Classification System

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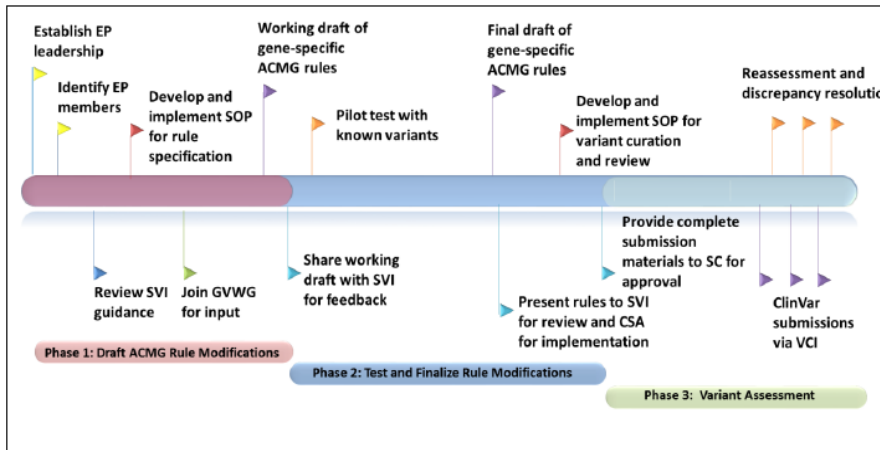
14 submissions / 10 different classification systems

# EXPERT GROUP CLASSIFICATION

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Figure 2: Expert Panel milestones



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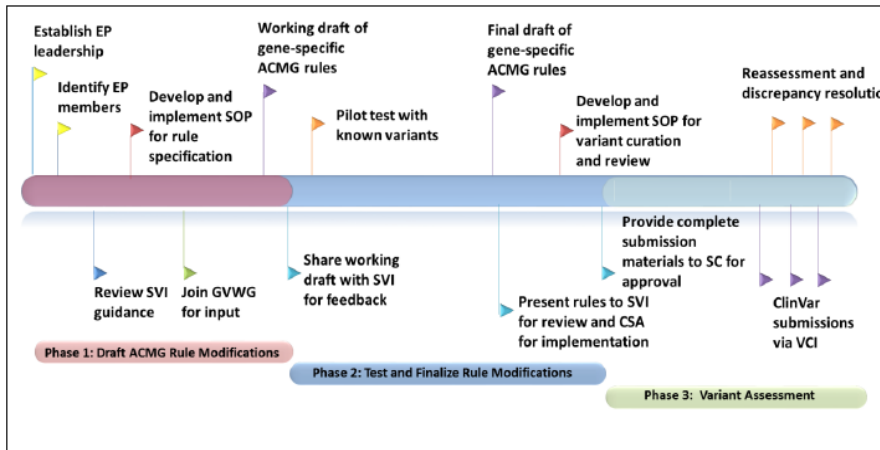
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InSiGHT classification rules (4 MMR genes)  
ENIGMA classification rules (BRCA1/BRCA2)  
CFTR2 classification rules  
CDH1, JPS, STK11, ....

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## ACMG recommendations for standards for interpretation of sequence variations

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**Key Words:** *clinical genetic testi*

1. Sequence variation is previously reported and is a recognized cause of the disorder. Review of the literature, central mutation databases, e.g., Human Gene Mutation Database (HGMD), or the locus-specific database, to assess the current degree of certainty that the sequence variation is causative of the disorder should be undertaken prior to reporting. Concordance studies between phenotype and genotype within a family may provide acceptable criteria in the absence of more definitive functional studies.
2. Sequence variation is previously unreported and is of the type which is expected to cause the disorder. Examples include variation that is predicted to shift the mRNA reading frame; result in the introduction of a stop codon...

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Qualitative evaluation of different data types (28 defined criteria with assigned code)

Each code is assigned a weight (stand-alone, very strong, strong, moderate, or supporting) and direction (benign or pathogenic)

Variants then can be assigned in one of 5 classes (IARC 5-tier system)

If not enough lines of evidence are invoked to classify a variant as P, LP, LB, or B, or there are valid but contradictory lines of evidence, a variant is interpreted as a VUS

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	Benign		Pathogenic			
	Strong	Supporting	Supporting	Moderate	Strong	Very strong
<b>Population data</b>	MAF is too high for disorder BA1/BS1 OR observation in controls inconsistent with disease penetrance BS2			Absent in population databases PM2	Prevalence in affecteds statistically increased over controls PS4	
<b>Computational and predictive data</b>		Multiple lines of computational evidence suggest no impact on gene /gene product BP4  Missense in gene where only truncating cause disease BP1  Silent variant with non predicted splice impact BP7  In-frame indels in repeat w/out known function BP3	Multiple lines of computational evidence support a deleterious effect on the gene /gene product PP3	Novel missense change at an amino acid residue where a different pathogenic missense change has been seen before PM5  Protein length changing variant PM4	Same amino acid change as an established pathogenic variant PS1	Predicted null variant in a gene where LOF is a known mechanism of disease PVS1
<b>Functional data</b>	Well-established functional studies show no deleterious effect BS3		Missense in gene with low rate of benign missense variants and path. missenses common PP2	Mutational hot spot or well-studied functional domain without benign variation PM1	Well-established functional studies show a deleterious effect PS3	
<b>Segregation data</b>	Nonsegregation with disease BS4		Cosegregation with disease in multiple affected family members PP1	Increased segregation data →		
<b>De novo data</b>				De novo (without paternity & maternity confirmed) PM6	De novo (paternity and maternity confirmed) PS2	
<b>Allelic data</b>		Observed in <i>trans</i> with a dominant variant BP2  Observed in <i>cis</i> with a pathogenic variant BP2		For recessive disorders, detected in <i>trans</i> with a pathogenic variant PM3		
<b>Other database</b>		Reputable source w/out shared data = benign BP6	Reputable source = pathogenic PP5			
<b>Other data</b>		Found in case with an alternate cause BP5	Patient's phenotype or FH highly specific for gene PP4			

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**Table 5** Rules for combining criteria to classify sequence variants

Pathogenic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 1 Very strong (PVS1) <i>AND</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) <math>\geq 1</math> Strong (PS1–PS4) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(b) <math>\geq 2</math> Moderate (PM1–PM6) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(c) 1 Moderate (PM1–PM6) and 1 supporting (PP1–PP5) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(d) <math>\geq 2</math> Supporting (PP1–PP5)</li> </ul> </li> <li>(ii) <math>\geq 2</math> Strong (PS1–PS4) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(iii) 1 Strong (PS1–PS4) <i>AND</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) <math>\geq 3</math> Moderate (PM1–PM6) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(b) 2 Moderate (PM1–PM6) <i>AND</i> <math>\geq 2</math> Supporting (PP1–PP5) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(c) 1 Moderate (PM1–PM6) <i>AND</i> <math>\geq 4</math> supporting (PP1–PP5)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Likely pathogenic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 1 Very strong (PVS1) <i>AND</i> 1 moderate (PM1–PM6) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(ii) 1 Strong (PS1–PS4) <i>AND</i> 1–2 moderate (PM1–PM6) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(iii) 1 Strong (PS1–PS4) <i>AND</i> <math>\geq 2</math> supporting (PP1–PP5) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(iv) <math>\geq 3</math> Moderate (PM1–PM6) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(v) 2 Moderate (PM1–PM6) <i>AND</i> <math>\geq 2</math> supporting (PP1–PP5) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(vi) 1 Moderate (PM1–PM6) <i>AND</i> <math>\geq 4</math> supporting (PP1–PP5)</li> </ul>
Benign	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 1 Stand-alone (BA1) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(ii) <math>\geq 2</math> Strong (BS1–BS4)</li> </ul>
Likely benign	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 1 Strong (BS1–BS4) and 1 supporting (BP1–BP7) <i>OR</i></li> <li>(ii) <math>\geq 2</math> Supporting (BP1–BP7)</li> </ul>
Uncertain significance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Other criteria shown above are not met <i>OR</i></li> <li>(ii) the criteria for benign and pathogenic are contradictory</li> </ul>

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## General Considerations:

- for variants in all Mendelian genes (single gene, gene panel, exome, genome or transcriptome)
- not for somatic, Px, multigenic/complex disorders and not for low/ moderate penetrance variants
- be careful with candidate genes („genes of uncertain significance“; „GUS“; Sept.2017: OMIM 3.803 genes)
- the terms „mutation“ and „polymorphism“ should not be used
- instead use „variant“ (pathogenic (5); likely pathogenic (4); uncertain significance (3); likely benign (2); benign (1))
- variants should be reported using the HGVS nomenclature (<http://www.hgvs.org/mutnomen>)
- to provide flexibility: some criteria listed as one weight can be moved to another weight using professional judgment, depending on the evidence collected (multiple observations of a variant in trans with path. variant – PM3 to PS)

„Pathogenicity should be determined by the entire body of evidence in aggregate, including all cases studied, arriving at a single conclusion“

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## What are the requirements?

- Detailed population frequency data (ExAC, 1000G, now gnomAD)
- Clinical databases / LSDB's
- Thorough literature search (find AND correctly interpret the literature)
- Access to your internal DB (hopefully these data are soon published!)
- Bioinformatic prediction integrated (protein, splice sites)

**Population DB's**  
(ExAC, gnomAD,  
1000G, ESP, dbSNP...)

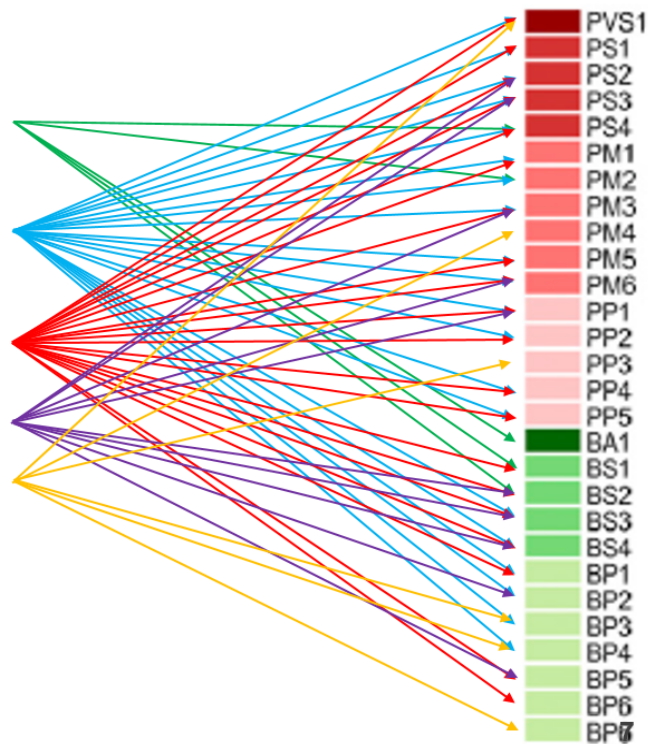
**LSDB's**  
(LOVD, ClinVar,  
HGMD, UMD, ...)

**Literature**  
(PubMed, integrated  
search)

**Internal Data**

**Prediction Tools**  
(see ACMG/AMP)

**Phenotype Data**  
(OMIM, Orphanet,  
HPO tools, ...)



27 ACMG/AMP criteria  
from strong pathogenic  
to supporting benign  
(Richards et al.; Genet Med. 2015)

## Information

## Selected SNP

SNP (TP53:NM\_000546:c.704A&gt;G:p.Asn235Ser; het; AD)

Benign

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PatientID	Coverage	Quality	Subpanel
103274	423	222.0	Cancer_MammaErweitert

Associated Disease	Source
lung canceradenocarcinoma, included;;adenocarcinoma of lung, inclu...	OMIMGENE
li-fraumeni syndrome 1; lfs1;;sarcoma family syndrome of li and fraumeni;;sb...	OMIMGENE
esophageal canceresophageal squamous cell carcinoma, susceptibility to, i...	OMIMGENE
squamous cell carcinoma, head and neck; hnscc	OMIMGENE
adrenocortical carcinoma, hereditary; adccadrenocortical carcinoma, pediatri...	OMIMGENE
papilloma of choroid plexus; cpp;;choroid plexus papillomachoroid plexus ca...	OMIMGENE
basal cell carcinoma, susceptibility to, 7; bcc7	OMIMGENE
b-cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia	Orphanet
small cell lung cancer	Orphanet
precursor b-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia	Orphanet
gliosarcoma	Orphanet
giant cell glioblastoma	Orphanet

☐ Search Associated Diseases

ClinDB	Grading/Phenotype	Name	Info
ClinVar	Likely benign;Uncertain significance	NM_000546.5(TP53):c.704A>G (p.Asn235Ser)	Submitter: 6
Emory	VOUS	NM_000546(TP53):c.704A>G	-
HGMD	Rhabdomyosarcoma	-	CM951230, Pubmed: 7706467

PopDB	rsID	Ref/Alt	AF/AC	AC Hom	Subpopulations
dbSNP (134/144)	rs144340710	T/C			
ExAC	rs144340710	T/C	C=0.0002/29	0	NFE=0.00034465, AFR=0, EAS=0, SAS=0, AMR=0, FIN=0.00091269, OTH=0
ESP	rs144340710	T/C	C=0.0002/2		eurAMR=0.0001, afrAMR=0.0002

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Protein Domain	phastCons	phyloP	predProg	Prediction	Value
p53, DNA-binding domain	0.992	1.82	AGVGD	-	C0
			SIFT	Tolerated	0.08
			MAPP	good	0.0481
			Polyphen	benign	0.144

nearestSSType	distNearestSS	maxEntScore	ssfScore
3'	32	0%	0%

## Patient Remarks

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## Allele Frequency is greater than expected for disorder

TP53 p.(Asn235Ser)

- ExAC / ESP MAF = 0,0002 (= **0,02%**)
- Prevalenz Li-Fraumeni: 1:20.000 (= 0,5:10.000) or 0,00005 (= **0,005%**)
- highly penetrant and early onset

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	G	FS	P2RX5	-	NM_002561:c.333del.p.Asn112Thrfs*36	chr17:3594277-3594277	G	-	hom	-	-	rs3215407	0.5735	0.5439	0.6676	0.6761
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	G	FS	ABCA10	-	NM_080282:c.1331_1334del.p.Ser444Phefs*	chr17:67190537-67190540	ACAG	-	het	-	-	rs113082690	0.0885	0.0731	0.0743	0.0804
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	G	FS	CARD8	-	NM_014859:c.290_291dup.p.Val88Lysfs*26	chr19:48735017-48735018	-	TT	het	-	-	rs140826611	0.0421	0.0427	0.0525	0.0507
	G	FS	SIGLEC12	-	NM_053003:c.196dup.p.Ala66Glyfs*50	chr19:52004791-52004792	-	TT	het	-	-	rs66949844	0.5929	0.5503	0.6407	0.6458
	G	FS	SIGLEC12	-	NM_053003:c.196dup.p.Ala66Glyfs*50	chr19:52004791-52004792	-	C	hom	-	-	rs66949844	0.5929	0.5503	0.6407	0.6458
	G	FS	ZNF480	-	NM_144684:c.9_10del.p.Cys3*	chr19:52803670-52803671	TG	-	het	-	-	rs3217319	0.599	0.6134	0.6883	0.6923
	G	FS	ZNF480	-	NM_144684:c.9_10del.p.Cys3*	chr19:52803670-52803671	TG	-	hom	-	-	rs3217319	0.599	0.6134	0.6883	0.6923
	G	FS	SBK3	-	NM_001199824:c.954_955insG.p.Gly318_Phi	chr19:56052337-56052338	-	C	hom	-	-	rs397738405	1	1	1	1
	G	FS	FMO2	-	NM_001460:c.337del.p.Val113*	chr17:11165803-171165803	G	-	het	-	-	rs28369860	0.1028	0.1161	0.0606	0.0561
	G	FS	FCN3	AR	NM_003665:c.349del.p.Leu117Serfs*65	chr17:2769671-2769671	G	-	het	-	-	rs532781899	0.0188	0.0211	0.0166	0.0162
	G	FS	GJB4	AD, AR	NM_153212:c.155_156del.p.Val52Alafs*55	chr1:35227008-35227011	TGTC	-	het	-	-	rs146812843	0.0343	0.0336	0.0328	0.0328
	G	FS	CYP4B1	-	NM_001099772:c.884_885del.p.Asp295Glyfs*	chr1:47280747-47280748	AT	-	het	-	-	rs3215983	0.1354	0.1143	0.1475	0.1489
	G	FS	DEFB126	-	NM_030931:c.163_166del.p.Gln55Glyfs*28	chr20:126156-126159	CAAA	-	het	-	-	rs11467497	0.1918	0.1523	0.1462	0.1462
	G	FS	DEFB126	-	NM_030931:c.317_318del.p.Pro106Argfs*127	chr20:126311-126312	CC	-	het	-	-	rs11467417	0.5662	0.5534	0.5518	0.5518
	G	FS	DEFB126	-	NM_030931:c.317_318del.p.Pro106Argfs*127	chr20:126311-126312	CC	-	hom	-	-	rs11467417	0.5662	0.5534	0.5518	0.5518
	G	FS	ADAM33	-	NM_025220:c.2412_2419del.p.Gln804Hisfs*1	chr20:3649633-3649640	TCTGG...	-	het	-	-	rs146576636	0.0705	0.0388	0.0418	0.0418
	G	FS	SCARF2	AR	NM_153334:c.2304dup.p.Glu789Argfs*9	chr22:20779973-20779974	-	G	hom	-	-	rs5844418	1	0.982	1	1
	G	FS	SCARF2	AR	NM_153334:c.2253dup.p.Pro752Alafs*26	chr22:20780024-20780025	-	C	hom	-	-	rs5844420	1	0.9031	1	1
	G	FS	TTG21B	AD, AR	NM_024753:c.21+26_21+33dup	chr2:166810161-166810162	-	CCCG...	het	-	-	rs569432248	0.5084	0.3121	0.6829	0.3397
	G	FS	PRKRA	AR	NM_003690:c.22_23del.p.Ala8Argfs*22	chr2:17315735-17315736	GC	-	T	het	-	rs141354030	0.2382	0.0704	0.0481	0.0455
	G	FS	PRKD3	-	NM_005813:c.2673dup	chr2:37480319-37480320	-	GC	hom	-	-	rs140587747	0.0543	0.0704	0.0481	0.0455
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	G	FS	KCNMB3	-	NM_171830:c.753del.p.Val252Tyrfs*4	chr3:178960767-178960767	T	-	het	-	-	rs143962239	0.0891	0.1158	0.0676	0.0619
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	G	FS	CLDN16	AR	NM_005800:c.166del.p.Ala56Lysfs*16	chr3:190106072-190106072	G	-	het	-	-	rs368234054	0.117	0.0945	0.194	0.194
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	G	FS	HLA-B	Mu	NM_005514:c.206_207insC.p.Glu69Aspfs*30	chr6:31324601-31324602	-	G	het	-	-	rs9281379	0.4424	0.1758	0.122	0.0875
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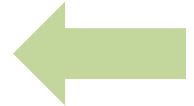
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Strong	PS1	<p>Same amino acid change as a previously established pathogenic variant regardless of nucleotide change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Example: Val→Leu caused by either G&gt;C or G&gt;T in the same codon</li> <li>Caveat: Beware of changes that impact splicing rather than at the amino acid/protein level</li> </ul>
	PS2	<p>De novo (both maternity and paternity confirmed) in a patient with the disease and no family history</p> <p>Note: Confirmation of paternity only is insufficient. Egg donation, surrogate motherhood, errors in embryo transfer, and so on, can contribute to non maternity.</p>
	PS3	<p>Well-established in vitro or in vivo functional studies supportive of a damaging effect on the gene or gene product</p> <p>Note: Functional studies that have been validated and shown to be reproducible and robust in a clinical diagnostic laboratory setting are considered the most well established.</p>
	PS4	<p>The prevalence of the variant in affected individuals is significantly increased compared with the prevalence in controls</p> <p>Note 1: Relative risk or OR, as obtained from case-control studies, is <math>&gt;5.0</math>, and the confidence interval around the estimate of relative risk or OR does not include 1.0.</p> <p>See the article for detailed guidance.</p> <p>Note 2: In instances of very rare variants where case-control studies may not reach statistical significance, the prior observation of the variant in multiple unrelated patients with the same phenotype, and its absence in controls, may be used as moderate level of evidence.</p>



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Only for a few genes „well established functional studies“ have been defined

## InSiGHT (MMR genes)

Assays assessing MMR protein repair capacity as a complete process					
Functional assays using cell-free systems	In vitro MMR complementation assays	An <i>in vitro</i> test of the repair of mismatched DNA by protein extracts. Baculovirus infected insect cell extracts are used to complement MMR-deficient cell extract; MMR genes transfected into MMR-deficient cell line; or IVTT of PCR fragments complement MMR-deficient cell extracts. DNA repair substrates: mismatch within restriction site or LacZ domain.	False negative results possible for variants that are pathogenic due to poor expression or protein stability. Variants defective in nuclear import may yield false-positive results. Subtle defects will not be detected if amount of protein is saturating.	Wild type; known defective (untransfected MMR deficient cell line or pathogenic control). Transfection efficiency for assays involving transient expression in cell lines.	49,79,112,117-134 135-137 Transfection efficiency not measured 66 Level of MMR activity not quantified
Functional assays using mammalian cell-based systems	Cellular-based MMR functional assay using a human/mouse expression system	Monitor the repair capacity as a whole through expression of mutant human MMR gene constructs in human/mouse cell lines. MMR status measured using: cellular response to methylating agents (MMR-deficient cells have acquired tolerance to these agents), spontaneous mutation rate at the endogenous <i>HPRT</i> gene, repair of an exogenously added mismatch-containing GFP plasmid, or measuring microsatellite instability.	Best to use cell lines that lack endogenous expression of the MMR protein. Level of protein expression is critical: poor expression can produce false-negative results; variant MMR gene expression is unregulated and may be toxic to cells. "Knock-in" of the variant allele through oligonucleotide gene targeting avoids unregulated expression.	Wild type; known defective.	85,133,138-141

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Moderate	PM1	Located in a mutational hot spot and/or critical and well-established functional domain (e.g., active site of an enzyme) without benign variation.
	PM2	Absent from controls (or at extremely low frequency if recessive) (Table 6) in Exome Sequencing Project, 1000 Genomes Project, or Exome Aggregation Consortium <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Caveat: Population data for insertions/deletions may be poorly called by next-generation sequencing.</i></li> </ul>
	PM3	For recessive disorders, detected in trans with a pathogenic variant <i>Note: This requires testing of parents (or offspring) to determine phase.</i>
	PM4	Protein length changes as a result of in-frame deletions/insertions in a nonrepeat region or stop-loss variants
	PM5	Novel missense change at an amino acid residue where a different missense change determined to be pathogenic has been seen before <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Example: Arg156His is pathogenic; now you observe Arg156Cys</i></li> <li><i>Caveat: Beware of changes that impact splicing rather than at the amino acid/protein level.</i></li> </ul>
	PM6	Assumed de novo, but without confirmation of paternity and maternity
Supporting	PP1	Co segregation with disease in multiple affected family members in a gene definitively known to cause the disease <i>Note: May be used as stronger evidence with increasing segregation data</i>
	PP2	Missense variant in a gene that has a low rate of benign missense variation and in which missense variants are a common mechanism of disease
	PP3	Multiple lines of computational evidence support a deleterious effect on the gene or gene product (conservation, evolutionary, splicing impact, etc.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Caveat: Because many in-silico algorithms use the same or very similar input for their predictions, each algorithm should not be counted as an independent criterion. PP3 can be used only once in any evaluation of a variant.</i></li> </ul>
	PP4	Patient's phenotype or family history is highly specific for a disease with a single genetic etiology
	PP5	Reputable source recently reports variant as pathogenic, but the evidence is not available to the laboratory to perform an independent evaluation



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## Criteria for classifying benign variants (Tabelle 2)

Evidence of benign impact		Category
Stand alone	BA1	Allele frequency is >5% in Exome Sequencing Project, 1000 Genomes Project, or Exome Aggregation Consortium
Strong	BS1	Allele frequency is greater than expected for disorder (see Table 6)
	BS2	Observed in a healthy adult individual for a recessive (homozygous), dominant (heterozygous), or X-linked (hemizygous) disorder, with full penetrance expected at an early age
	BS3	Well-established in vitro or in vivo functional studies show no damaging effect on protein function or splicing
	BS4	Lack of segregation in affected members of a family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Caveat: The presence of phenocopies for common phenotypes (i.e., cancer, epilepsy) can mimic lack of segregation among affected individuals. Also, families may have more than one pathogenic variant contributing to an autosomal dominant disorder, further confounding an apparent lack of segregation.</li> </ul>
Supporting	BP1	Missense variant in a gene for which primarily truncating variants are known to cause disease
	BP2	Observed in trans with a pathogenic variant for a fully penetrant dominant gene/disorder or observed in cis with a pathogenic variant in any inheritance pattern
	BP3	In-frame deletions/insertions in a repetitive region without a known function
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	BP5	Variant found in a case with an alternate molecular basis for disease
	BP6	Reputable source recently reports variant as benign, but the evidence is not available to the laboratory to perform an independent evaluation
	BP7	A synonymous (silent) variant for which splicing prediction algorithms predict no impact to the splice consensus sequence nor the creation of a new splice site AND the nucleotide is not highly conserved



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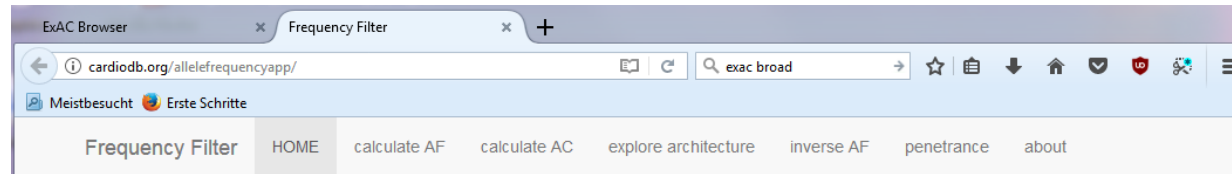
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This web page contains a suite of tools to support the use of allele frequency information for the assessment of rare genetic variants in Mendelian disease.

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The methods and mathematical derivations behind the calculators on these pages are described fully in our manuscript available [here](#). The source code for the manuscript is available on [GitHub](#), as is the source code for [these calculators](#).

We provide four calculators:

- calculate AF** - works step by step through a framework of variant assessment. For a disease of interest the user inputs parameters that describe the genetic architecture of the condition, and the calculator computes the maximum expected allele frequency of a disease-causing variant in the general population (*maximum credible population AF*). In a second step, the calculator determines the maximum tolerated allele count in a specific reference population (such as ExAC), based on the size of the population and at a user-specified confidence level.
- calculate AC** - performs the second part of the above work-flow, allowing the user to simply input a *maximum credible population AF* without redefining the genetic architecture in detail, intended as a time saving measure for returning users.
- explore architecture** - starts by computing a *maximum credible population AF* for a given genetic architecture, as above. However, it also allows you to fix the maximum population AF in order to find a genetic architecture that is compatible with the observed data. For example, under your initial assumptions about a condition you may find that a variant is reported to be too common, but that it would be compatible with disease under a model of substantially reduced penetrance.
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**Table 2** Maximum credible population frequencies and maximum tolerated ExAC allele counts for variants causative of exemplar inherited cardiac conditions, assuming a penetrance of 0.5 throughout

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Noonan	0.10	1/1,000	0.5	$1.0 \times 10^{-4}$	10
CPVT	0.10	1/10,000	0.5	$1.0 \times 10^{-5}$	3
Classic Ehlers-Danlos	0.40	1/20,000	0.5	$2.0 \times 10^{-5}$	5

CPVT, catecholaminergic polymorphic ventricular tachycardia; ExAC, Exome Aggregation Consortium database. Prevalence estimates (taken as the highest value reported) were obtained from Marfan,<sup>40</sup> Noonan,<sup>18</sup> CPVT,<sup>19</sup> and classical Ehlers-Danlos.<sup>20</sup>

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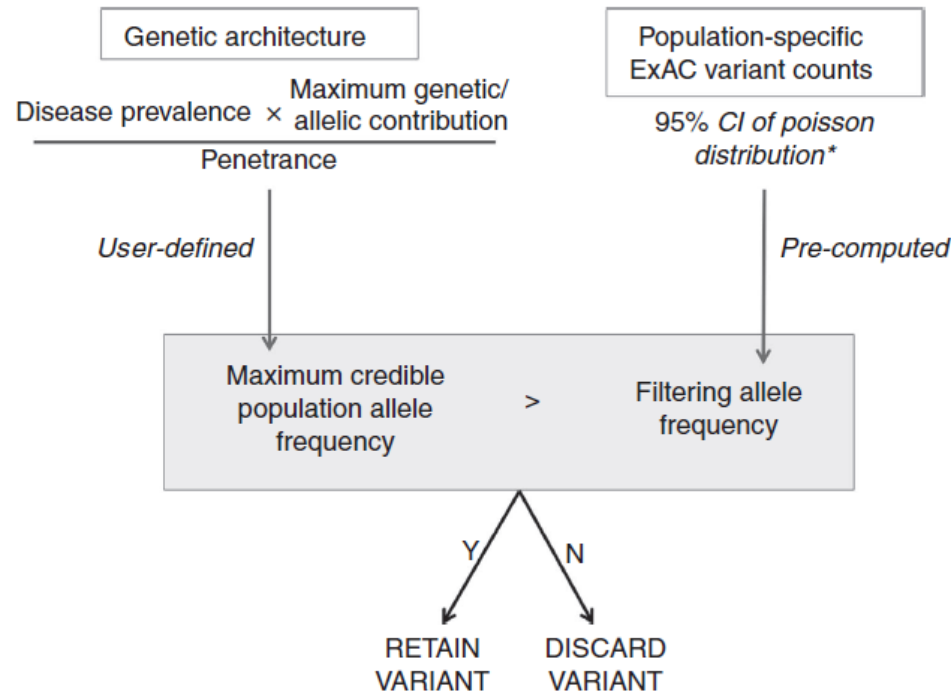
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## Box 1. Recommendations and Additional Resources for Increasing Consistency in the Usage of ACMG-AMP Rules

- Develop disease-specific allele-frequency thresholds to enable lowering of the stand-alone benign criteria from a MAF of  $\geq 5\%$  to values specific to each disorder.
- Establish a resource of all genes to define whether LOF is a known mechanism of disease.
- Make recommendations for which computational algorithms are best in practice.
- Better define “well-established” functional data and/or distribute a resource that lists functional assays that meet the well-established threshold. Also define when to use reduced strength of the rule.
- Develop quantitative thresholds of evidence for and against segregation of different strengths.
- Promote the development of software tools that automate computable aspects of the ACMG-AMP guidelines to improve accurate use.

Amendola et al.; The American Journal of Human Genetics 98, 1067–1076, June 2, 2016

**Table 1**

### Flexibility allotted for in ‘lines of evidence’

Lines of evidence <sup>a</sup>	Type of data	Flexibility
BS1/PM2	Allele frequency in general population	Determining what frequency is consistent with ‘greater than expected for disorder’ or ‘at extremely low prevalence for recessive disorders’
BS2/PP4	Observed in unaffected/affected	Determining the extent of medical work-up necessary to conclude disease status
BS3/PS3	Functional studies	Determining what constitutes ‘well-established’ functional studies
BS4/PP1	Segregation studies	Determining the extent of medical work-up necessary to conclude disease status Determining number of non-segregations-or segregations needed to meet criteria
BP2/BP5	Other pathogenic variant identified	May need to account for phenotype or disease severity
BP6/PP5	Reputable source classification	Determining what constitutes a ‘reputable source’
PM1	Gene-specific information	Determining what constitutes ‘a critical or well-established’ functional domain

Hoskins et al.; Current Opinion in Genetics & Development, volume 42. 33-39. 2017

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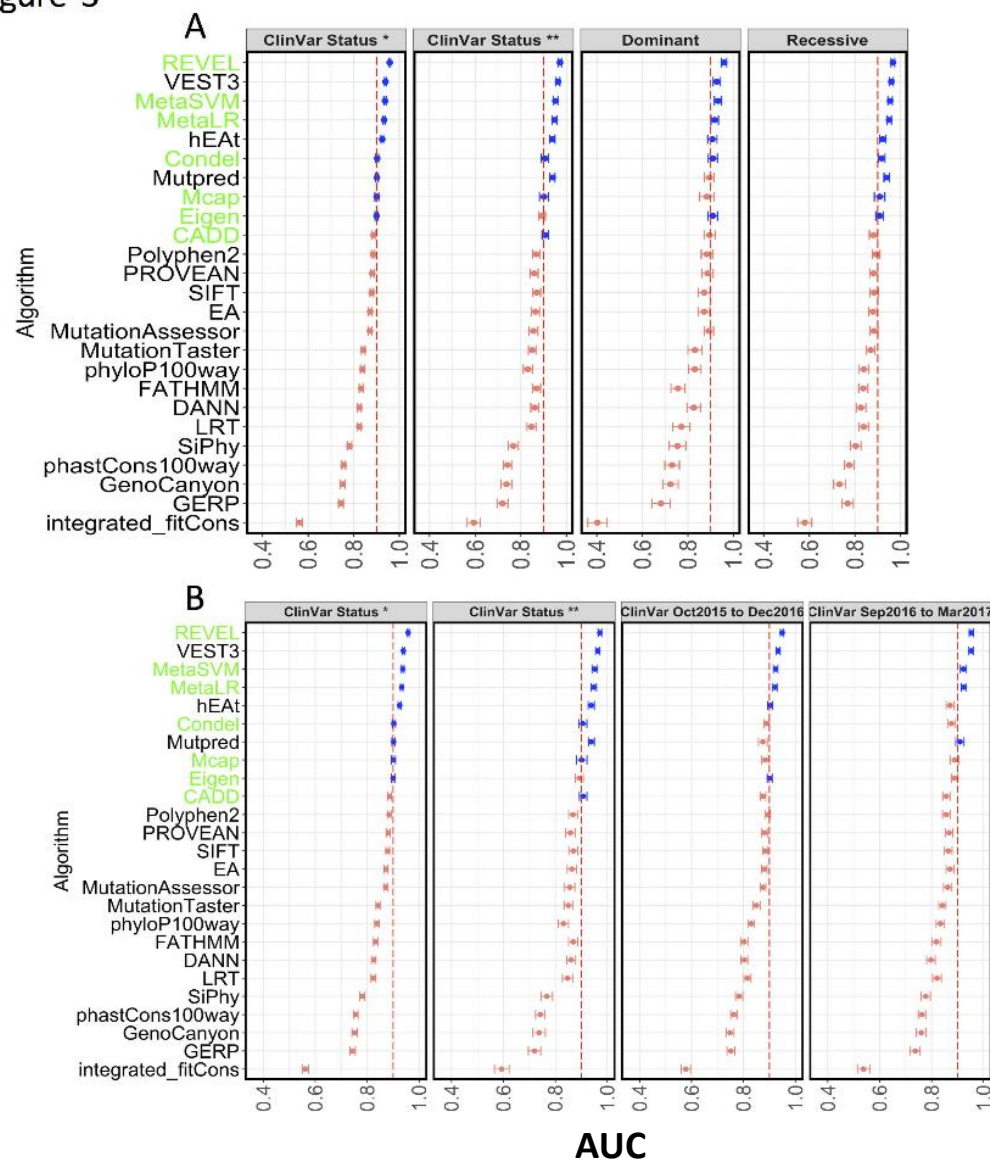
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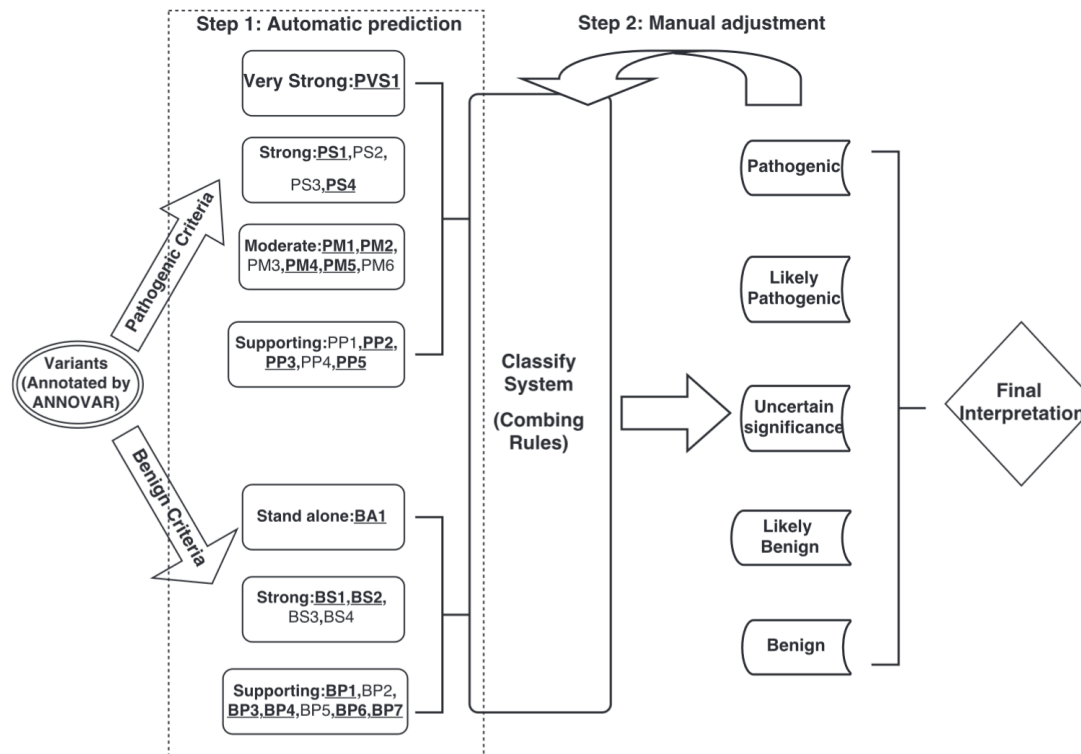
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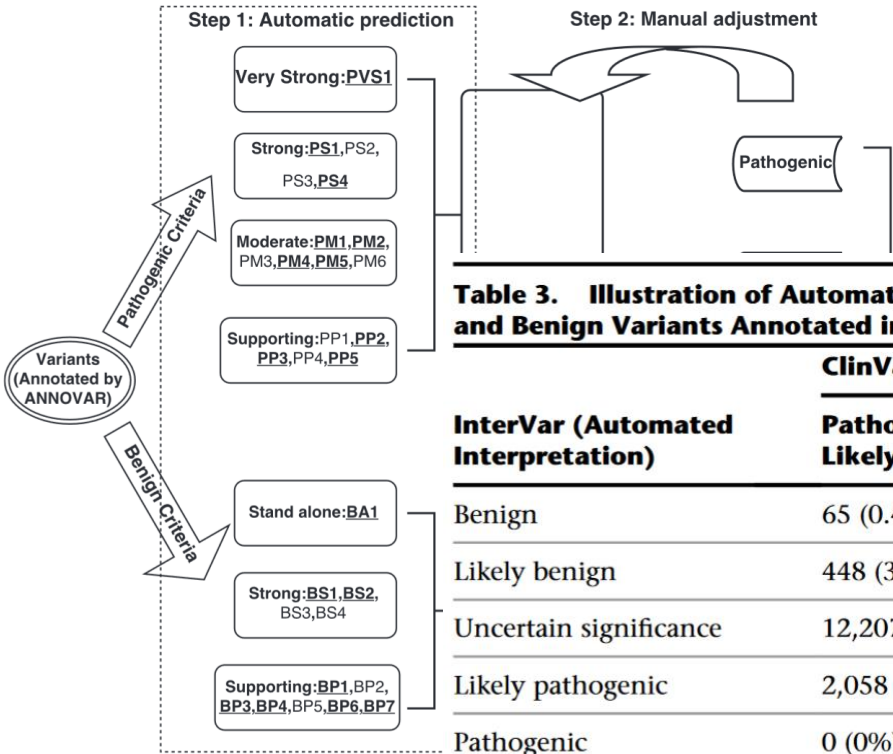


Table 3. Illustration of Automated Interpretation of Pathogenic and Benign Variants Annotated in ClinVar

InterVar (Automated Interpretation)	ClinVar	
	Pathogenic or Likely Pathogenic	Benign or Likely Benign
Benign	65 (0.4%)	1,505 (24.8%)
Likely benign	448 (3.0%)	3,393 (55.9%)
Uncertain significance	12,207 (82.6%)	1,173 (19.3%)
Likely pathogenic	2,058 (13.9%)	0 (0%)
Pathogenic	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Sum of five tiers	14,778	6,071
Benign and likely benign	513 (3.5%)	4,898 (80.6%)
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# EVALUATION OF INTER-LABORATORY CONCORDANCE

Study	Description	Observed Concordance	Reasons for Inconsistency	Remarks
Amendola et al. Am J Hum Genet 2016	Comparison of concordance of 9 CSER-labs classifying 99 variants	<b>34% before</b> and <b>71% after</b> consensus discussion / only 5% of differences are clinically relevant	Correct use of several ACMG rules was not clear / challenging variants	training is necessary for consistent classification / underscores importance of not only having a standardized approach to variant assessment but also sharing variant interpretations for identifying and resolving discordance
Harrison et al. Genet Med 2017	ClinVar Laboratory comparison and consistency assessment	<b>83% initially concordant</b> <b>87% of discordant variants could be resolved</b>	ACMG rules not applied to ClinVar variants (53%) Internal data not published (33%) Differences in use/weighting of data (14%)	Participating laboratories increased their overall concordance from 88.3 to 91.7%, sharing variant interpretations in ClinVar is critical to moving toward more consistent variant interpretations
Pepin et al. Genet Med 2016	Comparison and evaluation of consistent variant classifications (outside labs vs in house) in a distinct disease field (COLx)	<b>29% complete</b> , <b>29% „moderate“</b> <b>58% not actionable</b>	Lack of reference of the biology (48%) Lack of access to unpublished data (33%)	In diseases with a „special biology“ expert knowledge is important for accurate classification / unpublished data are a major source of inconsistent classification
Balmana et al. J Clin Oncol 2016	ClinVar study comparing variant classifications of 603 variants in non-BRCA cancer genes	<b>74% concordance</b> <b>11% clinically relevant</b>	many observed differences were because of variants in low-penetrance genes (RR<2)	Conflicting interpretation of genetic findings is frequent and may have implications for medical management decision
Yang et al. Genet Med 2017	ClinVar search of discordant actionable classifications, evaluation of reasons for inconsistencies	<b>96% major consensus</b> <b>94% complete consensus</b>	Non-clinical lab subm. Clinical areas differ Old data points Literature citations	Recent variant classifications from clinical testing laboratories have high overall concordance.

# Are there really large inconsistencies in ClinVar ?

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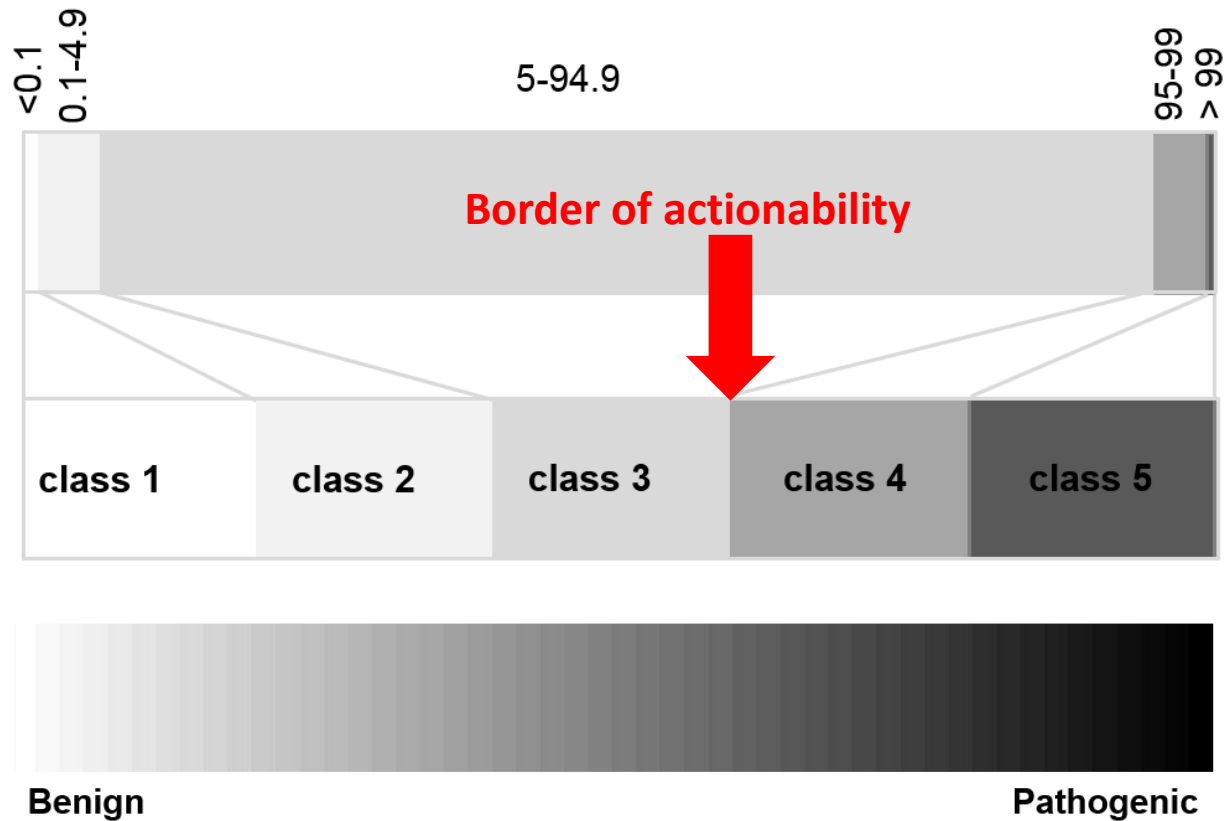
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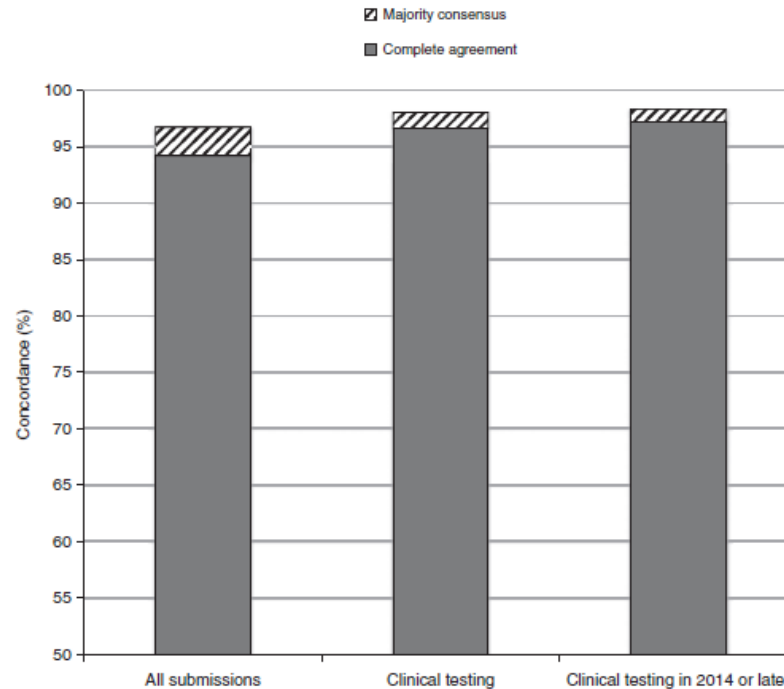
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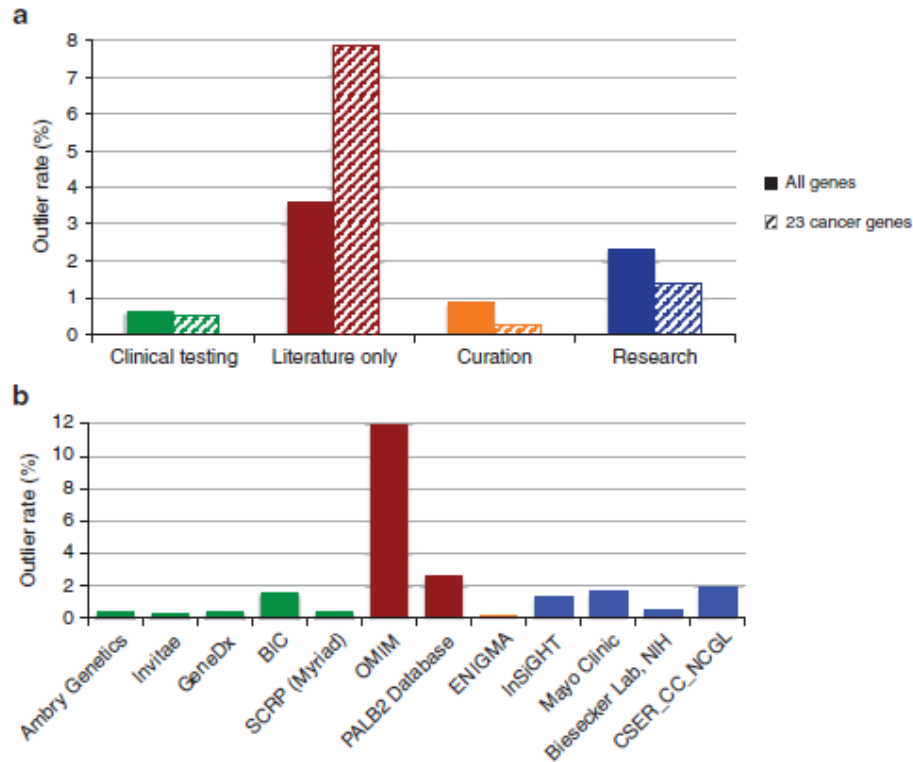


**Figure 5 Concordance for ClinVar and subsets.** Variant classification concordance measured as a fraction of variants for all of ClinVar and for subsets of ClinVar filtered by submission type and classification date. Concordance is calculated on an actionability basis (see text).

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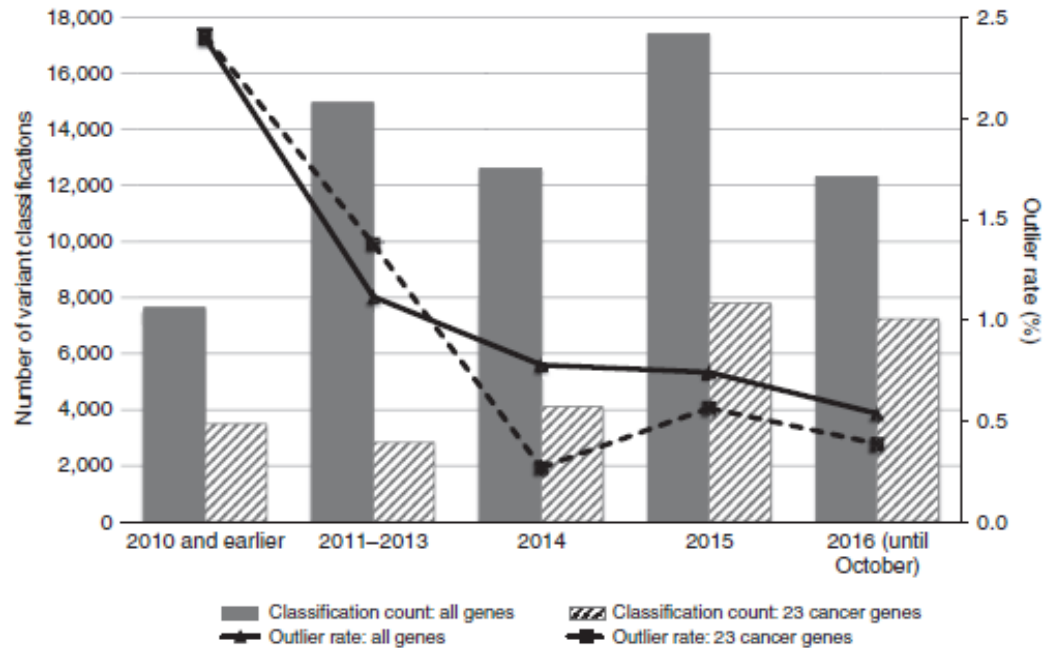
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Eventually we will get used to it .....

