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How Pharmacogenomics, Epigenetics and Data Analysis could improve anticancer treatment

Pharmacogenomics, Epigenetics or Data analysis and Bioinformatics could play a vital key role to fight a dreadful disease like cancer. The goal of our presentation is to give more insights into the relationship between pharmacogenetics and drug response, the role of epigenetics modification in carcinogenesis and cancer therapy, and how could data analysis support understanding and predict the relationship between pharmacogenes-drug response. It has been confirmed that the patient genotype could highly impact therapeutic effects and/or adverse events of anticancer drugs in particular. Pharmacogenomics/Pharmacogenetics aims to evaluate the relationship between drug efficacy/toxicity of a given drug and its pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. Proteins involved in all these mechanisms are encoded by what we call pharmacogenes. Thus, any mutation in those genes could lead to treatment failure and/or resistance of cancer cells to chemotherapeutics drugs. Consequently, we can optimize and improve anticancer drug efficacy and/or adverse effects by understanding the interaction between genome variation and drug response. Recently, next-generation sequencing technology led to the discovery of new genetic variants, like cytochrome P450 genes, ATP-binding cassette (ABC) transporters, and many others, related to anticancer therapy and cancer cell resistance, the major obstacle to successful anticancer treatment. On the other hand, as there is no doubt today that epigenetic modifications are involved in cancer pathogenesis, progress and prognosis, researchers are looking for how to treat cancer by fixing these epigenetic

alterations. In fact, this way could provide good results since epigenetic modifications, unlike genetic mutations, are reversible. Bioinformatics and data analysis, by integrating network pharmacology-based prediction and experimental validation, could also help to give some vital information that can lead to elucidating the genome-drug response relationship to find the right drug for the right patient. Some public databases, algorithms, protein-protein interaction, and gene ontology have been used in this sense.

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Biography

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Evaluation of concentration and toxicity of Bisphenol A in food grade plastic and its degradation by bacteria

Bisphenol A (BPA) is the man-made organic compound which is an important polymer used for the manufacturing of plasticizers, polycarbonates and epoxy resins. Plastic waste is increased in our environment due to its increasing demand day by day. Bisphenol A also known as an endocrine disruptor which mimics female sex hormone estrogen. Bisphenol A is acting as hormones so can induce cellular reactions and changes at very lower concentration. Thus determination of the concentration of BPA, its toxicity on soil environment and its degradation methods is of research interest. The developed method during this research project helps to determine the level of exposure and its toxicity and degradation methods. The 9 plastics items were analysed using UV/VIS spectrophotometer, all of them have significant amount of Bispehnol A present, the highest concentration of BPA was observed in Black polybags with 42.78 ppm followed by slice juice bottle (42.11 ppm) then baby bottle with 38.56 ppm. Here, we also investigated the toxicity of BPA on soil microflora by evaluating the CFU/ml. Adverse effect of BPA seen on microbial colonies number, the control plates CFU/ ml was observed TNTC (Too numerous to count) while as the BPA concentration of 250 ppm and 500 ppm applied to culture the significant reduction in growth is observed respectively, 9 x 106 CFU/ml in 250 ppm BPA treated plate and 1.2 x 106 CFU/ml in 500 ppm BPA treated plate. For the determination of Rhizobium activity, a clear zone of inhibition was observed around discs and wells poured with 500 ppm BPA. The significant impact of BPA was also seen on Phosphate solubilizing bacteria (PSB). The present study is being extrapolated to see the effect of bacterial treatment in degrading BPA in lab scale experiments and results were analysed through HPLC.

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Biography

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Legal topic of drugs digital support and digital therapeutics

The pharmaceutical industry is now heavily involved in medical software, significantly developing **Drug Digital Companion** (or Drug Digital Support), software that supports the patients navigating medications through their treatment journey, and **Digital Therapeutic**s-evidence-based therapeutic interventions guided by software to prevent, manage or treat a medical disorder or disease.

In the European context, the main legal questions to be dealt with are:

• The correct qualification of the software in compliance with the recent Medical Device Regulation (EU Reg. 2017/745)

• The rules to be applied for data protection in the light of the GDPR (Reg. 2016/679) and the lawful utilization of data generated through the software use (for example, Real World Data)

Furthermore, the next AI Regulation and the recent proposal of a Directive on AI liability will substantially impact this sector.

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Biography

Silvia Stefanelli is the founder of Stefanelli&Stefanelli Legal Firm, based in Bologna, Milan, Rome. She specializes in health legislation, digital health, medical devices, advertising, PA contracts, and data protection. She has qualified as a "Privacy Officer and Privacy Consultant" and, in 2017 obtained a "Course on European Data Protection Law" Certificate issued by the Academy of European Law in Brussels. She works on several innovative digital projects with SmithKline Foundation and Clusit Association and is a member of the Scientific Committee of the Telemedicine Observatory of Altems-Unicattolica.

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