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RESEARCH AREA

In our department, we carry out genetic testing of germline predisposing genes for hereditary tumors. As part of routine diagnostics, we look for heritable mutations related to the clinical phenotype. We test the genetic background of cancer syndromes possessing a high degree of heredity: most often, we carry out tests in cases of familial breast and ovarian cancer, hereditary colon tumors or neuroendocrine tumor syndromes. In addition to routine diagnostics, our research activities include the functional testing of variants with unknown effects, primarily with cDNA-level tests. We also examine the correlations of known heredity with other genetic and non-genetic factors, including those affecting tumor formation, aggressiveness, and therapy response.

TECHNIQUES AVAILABLE IN THE LAB

- DNA and RNA isolation techniques
- PCR techniques: Touch-down PCR, Long-Range PCR, Real-time PCR, RT-PCR
- Sanger sequencing technique
- NGS (next-generation sequencing): with several library preparation methods for various targets: panel enrichment (capture or PCR-based), exome sequencing, genome sequencing.
- MLPA (Multiplex Ligation-based Probe Amplification)
- cDNA studies
- Promoter methylation test
- Cell culture, techniques performed on cell lines

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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