

# How regulatory science can fasten innovation in digital pathology and ML/AI

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# Promises of AI...

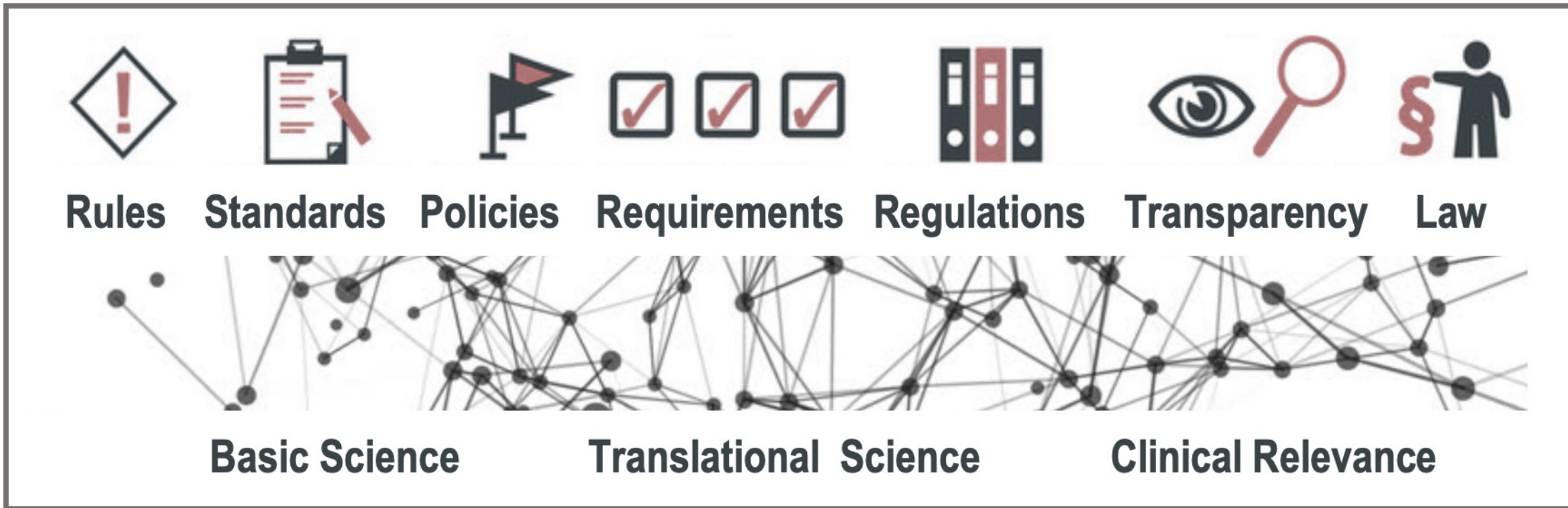
AI has the potential to unlock the full potential of digital pathology.

Research studies propose added value; however, clinical integration is lagging.

Faster innovation is contrasting with risks of bias, privacy issues, operational challenges, ethical responsibilities, and explainability.



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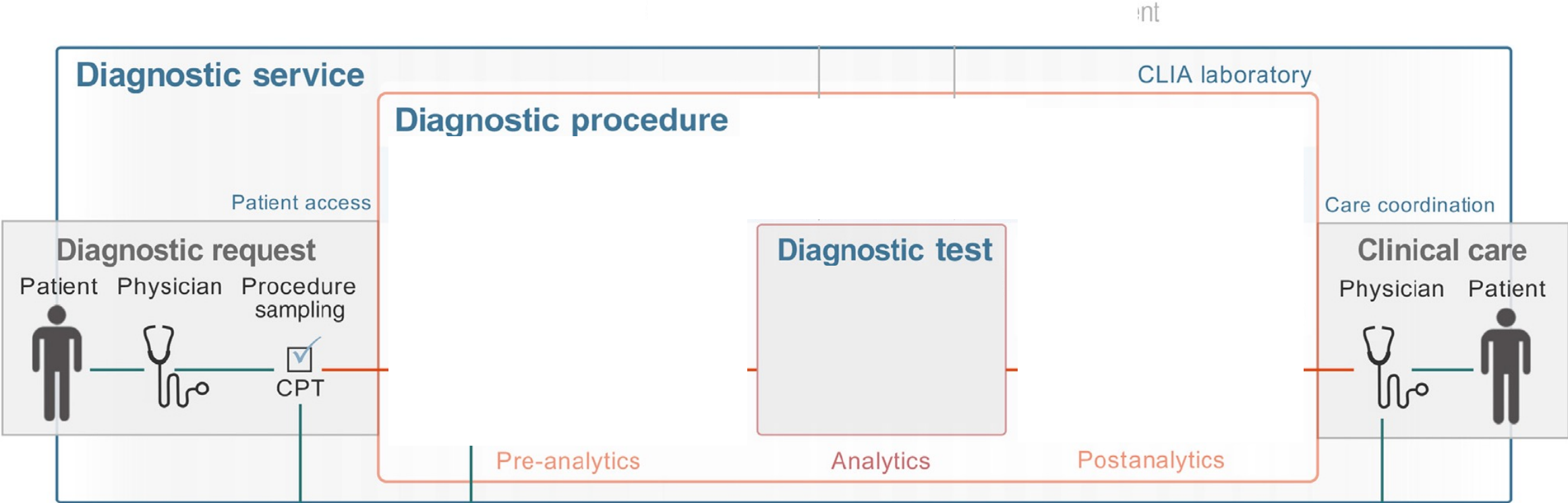




# The Setting



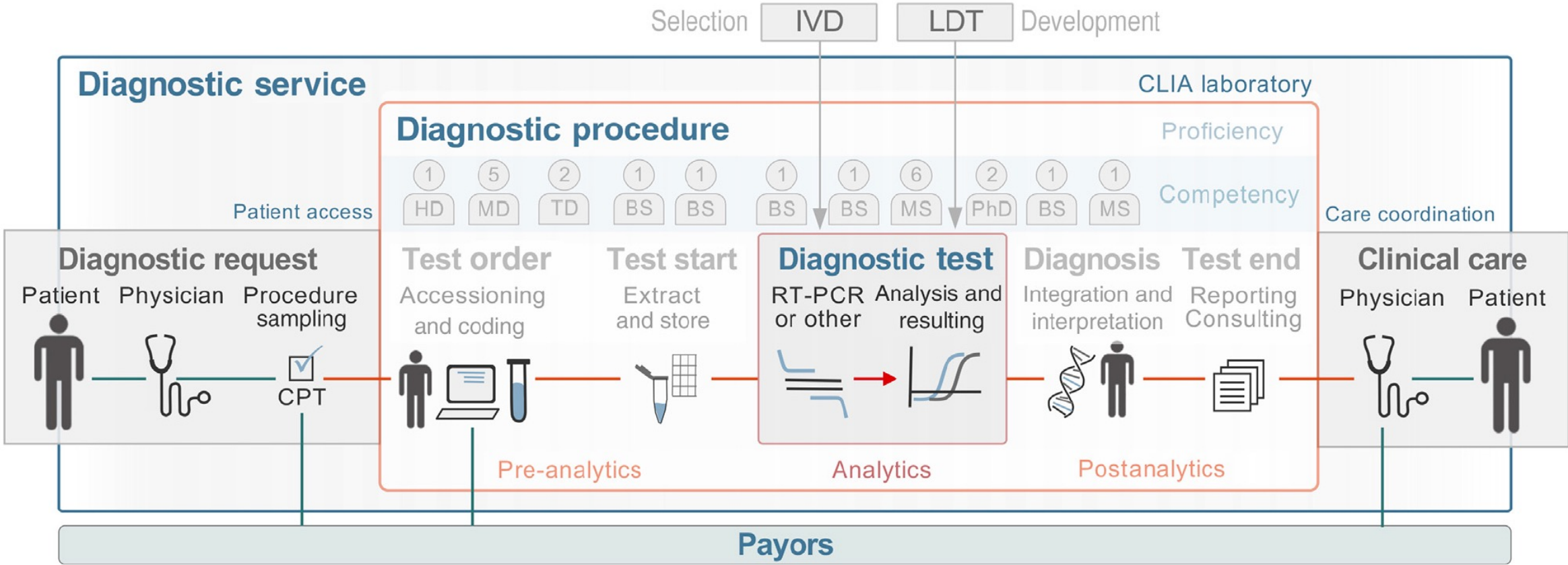
# Context Laboratory Diagnostics



Marble et al., 2021 J Mol Diagnostics



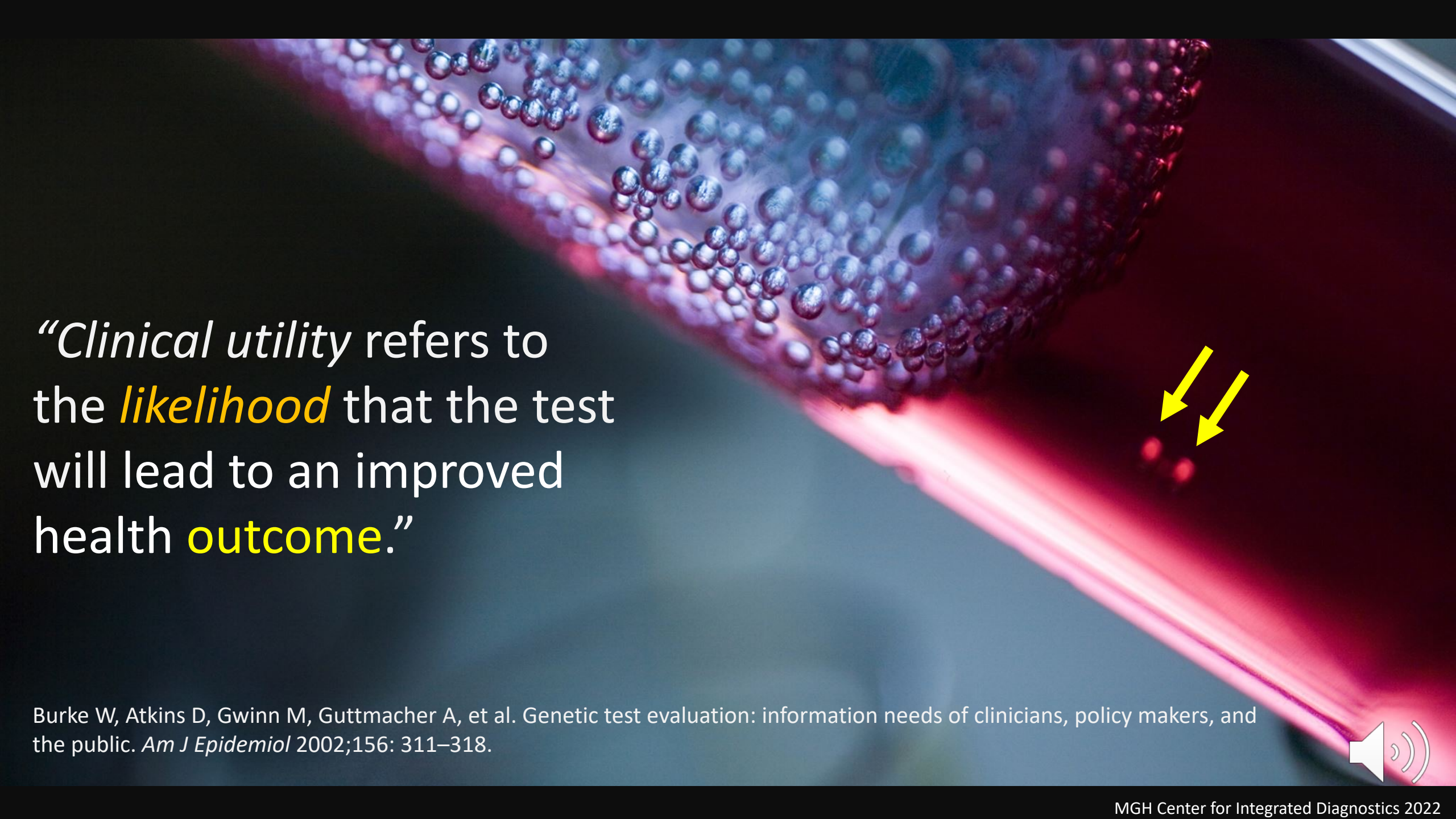
# Context Laboratory Diagnostics



- SOP diagnostic test (unmodified or LDT)
- SOP's diagnostic procedure (unmodified or LDT)
- SOP's diagnostic service (governed by numerous entities)

Diagnostic quality





“Clinical utility refers to the *likelihood* that the test will lead to an improved health *outcome*.”

Burke W, Atkins D, Gwinn M, Guttmacher A, et al. Genetic test evaluation: information needs of clinicians, policy makers, and the public. *Am J Epidemiol* 2002;156: 311–318.



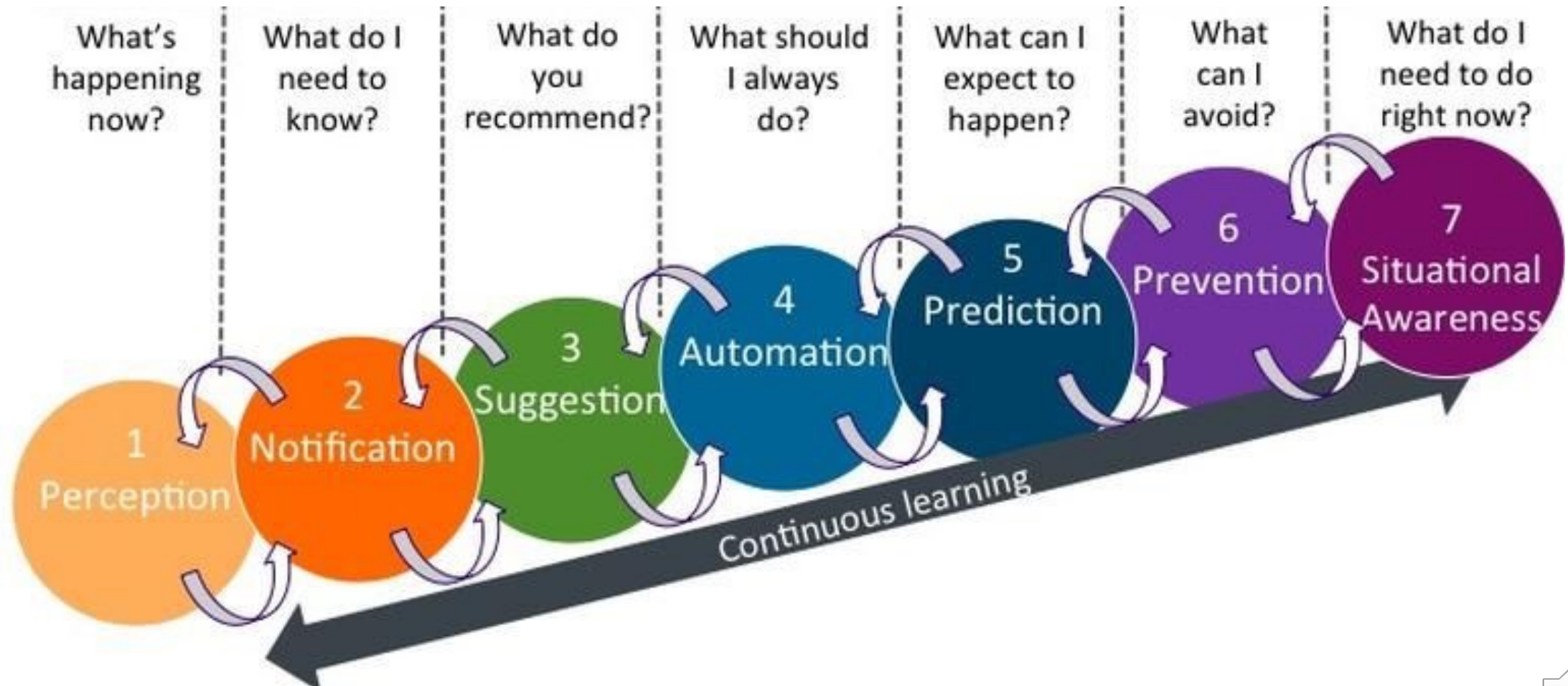


# Synthesize





# “Outcomes” of AI



# MACHINE LEARNING IN LABORATORY MEDICINE

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1 Applications

4 MODEL

Classifier, grid search, data scaling, dim reduction, search best

2 LIBRARIES

Python (scipy numpy matplotlib pandas sklearn etc...)



Define a problem. Framework:  
What is the problem? I need to => TEP  
Why does the problem need to be solved? Motivation – function vs. non-fct.  
How would I solve the problem? map out idea, flush our domain knowledge

RESULTS 5

Performance, test, transferability, decision-support tool

DATA 3

Source, combine, data types, label, missing, visualize, analyze, cleansing/formatting, encoding,

6 Data Model

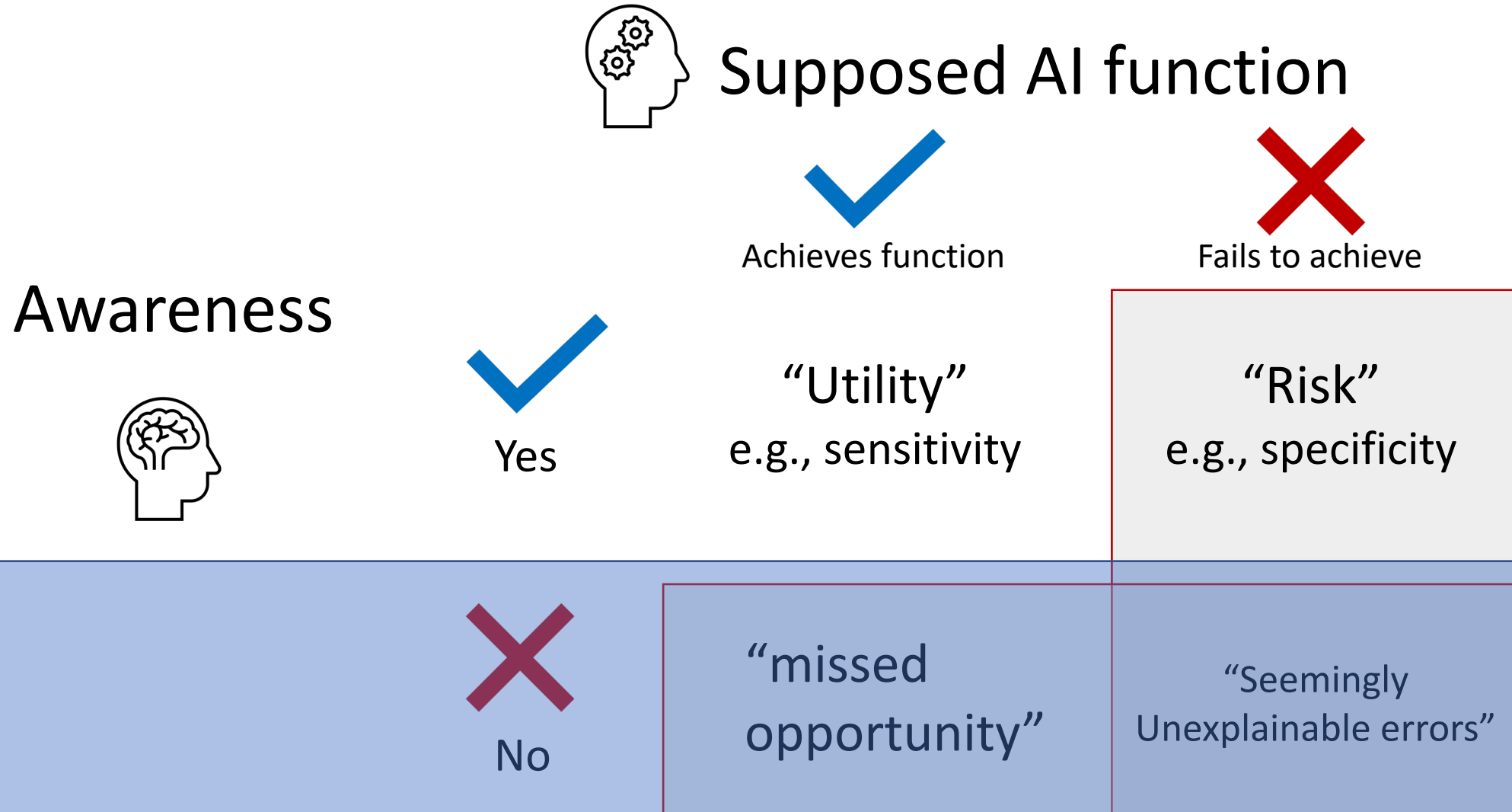




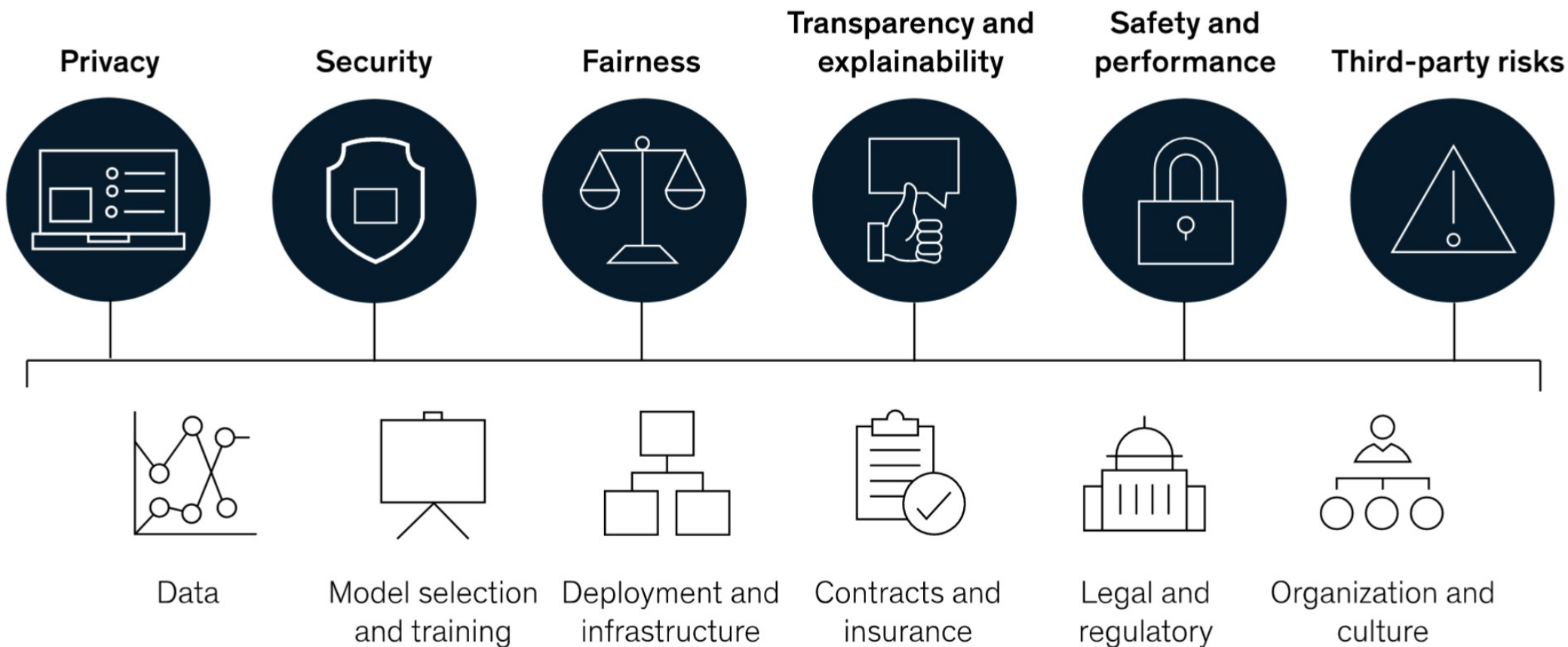
# Major Challenges



# Risk Awareness Model



A systematic approach to identifying AI risks examines each category of risk in each business context.



# Regulation



## LAWS Establish requirements or prohibitions

*Regulations* Clarify how the law will be implemented

Instruments to further clarify laws and regulations

<b><i>Guidances</i></b>	<b><i>Policies</i></b>	<b><i>Standards</i></b>	<b><i>Procedures</i></b>
<i>General recommendation, nonmandatory</i>	<i>Specific in scope, mandatory<sup>a</sup></i>	<i>Acceptable levels and controls</i>	<i>Detailed steps and components</i>

Huang et al., 2021 JCO OP



# regulatory science Terminology

- “intended use”  
(what)
- “indication of use”  
(who and why),
- “context of use”  
(where)
- “instructions of use”  
(how)
  
- can help to communicate  
precisely

## H. Indications for use:

### 1. Indications for use:

Paige Prostate is a software only device **intended to assist** pathologists identify foci that are suspicious for cancer during the review of scanned whole slide images from prostate needle biopsies prepared from hematoxylin & eosin (H&E) fixed paraffin embedded (FFPE) tissue. After initial diagnostic review by a pathologist, if Paige Prostate detects tissue morphology suspicious for cancer, it provides coordinates (X,Y) on a single location on the image with the highest likelihood of cancer for further review by the pathologist.

Paige Prostate is **intended to be used** with slide images digitized with Paige Pro Scanner and visualized with Paige FullFocus WSI viewing software.

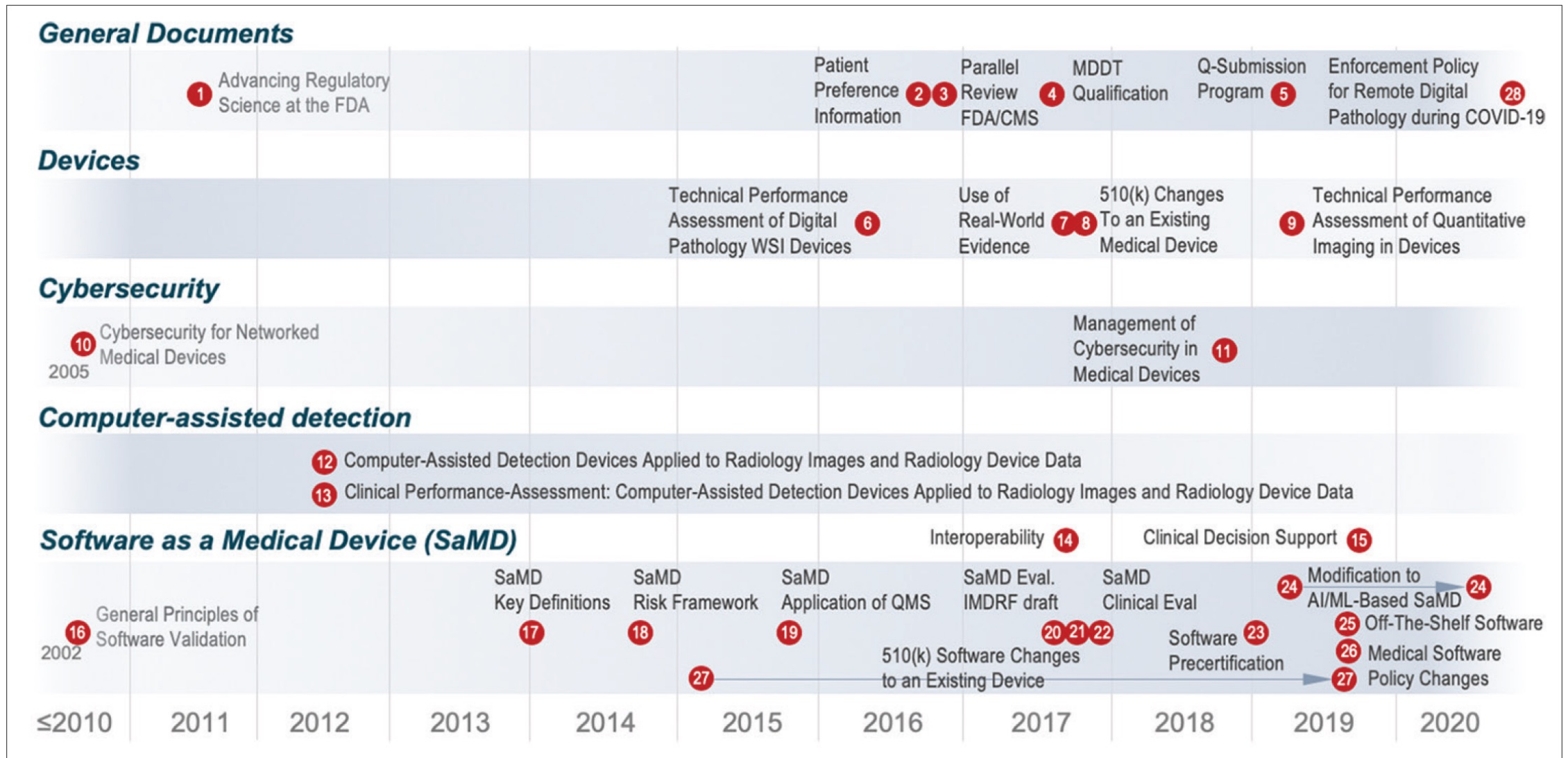
Paige Prostate is an adjunctive computer-assisted methodology and its use should not be used as the primary diagnosis. Pathologists should only use Paige Prostate with their complete standard of care evaluation of the slide image.

### 2. Special conditions for use statement(s):

For prescription use only







**Figure 1:** Overview of selected FDA guidance documents. Four of the authors (HM, RH, EA, and JKL) performed a meta-review of selected FDA guidance *Marble et al., 2020 J Pathol Informatics*





ICS > 35 > 35.020

# ISO/IEC 23053

## Framework for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Systems Using Machine Learning (ML)

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Status : Under development

Publication date : 2022-05

Edition : 1

Technical Committee : [ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 42](#) Artificial intelligence

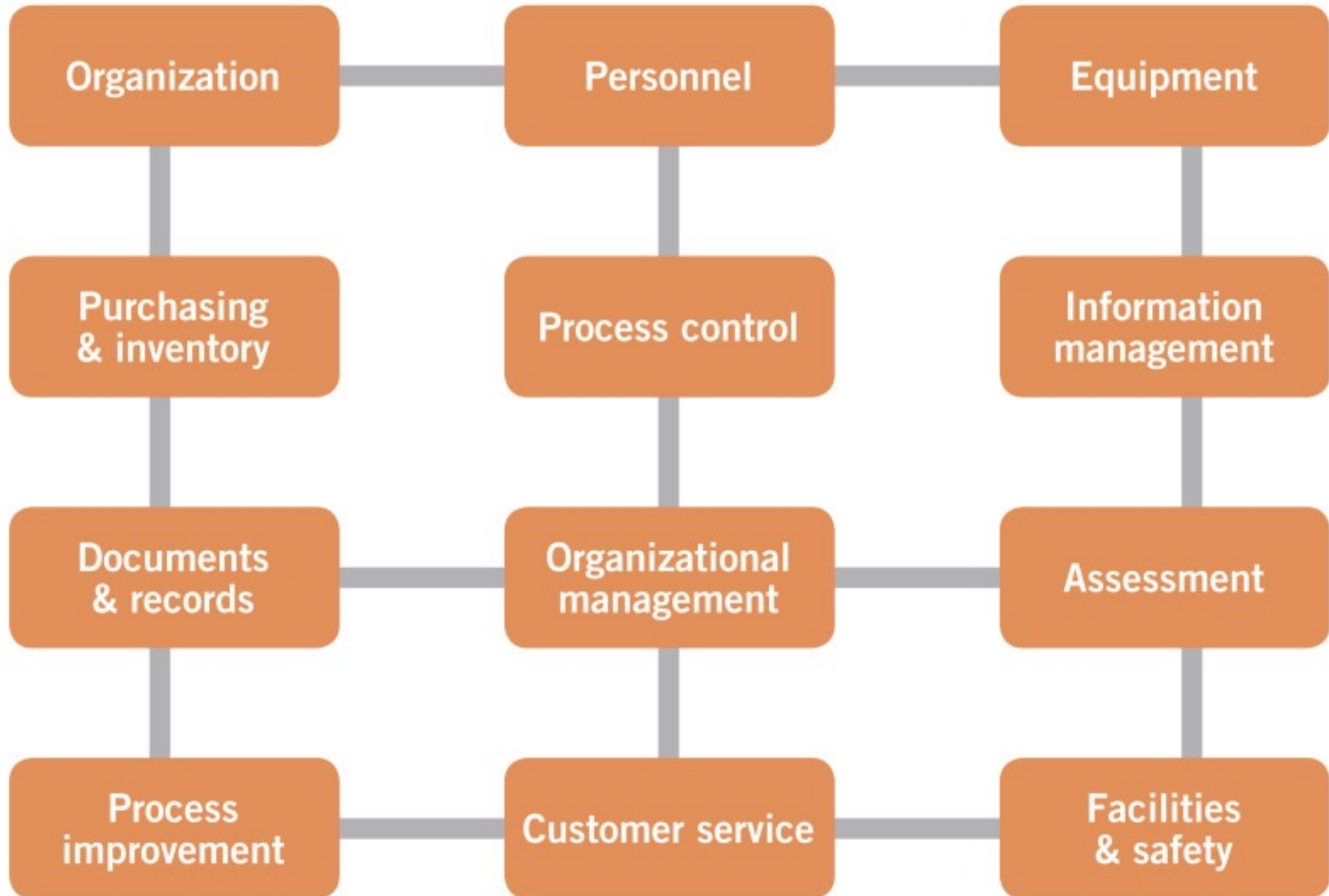
ICS : [35.020](#) Information technology (IT) in general

### WORKING GROUPS

- [ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 42/AG 3](#)
  - [ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 42/AHG 1](#)
  - [ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 42/AHG 2](#)
  - [ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 42/AHG 4](#)
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  - [ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 42/WG 5](#)
- AI standardization roadmapping
  - Dissemination and outreach
  - Liaison with SC 38
  - Liaison with SC 27
  - AI standardization landscape and roadmap
  - Joint Working Group ISO/IEC JTC1/SC 42 - ISO/IEC JTC1/SC 40: Governance implications of AI
  - Joint Working Group ISO/IEC JTC1/SC 42 - ISO/IEC JTC1/SC 7 : Testing of AI-based systems
  - Foundational standards
  - Data
  - Trustworthiness
  - Use cases and applications
  - Computational approaches and computational characteristics of AI systems

### STANDARD AN?POR PROJECT

- [ISO/IEC DTS 4213.2](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI 5259-1](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI 5259-2](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI 5259-3](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI 5259-4](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI 5259-5](#)
  - [ISO/IEC CD 5338](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI 5339](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI 5392](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI TR 5469](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI TS 5471](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI TS 6254](#)
  - [ISO/IEC CD 8183](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI TS 8200](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI TS 12791](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI 12792](#)
  - [ISO/IEC FDIS 22989](#)
  - [ISO/IEC FDIS 23053](#)
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  - [ISO/IEC CD 24029-2](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI TR 24030](#)
  - [ISO/IEC DTR 24368](#)
  - [ISO/IEC DIS 24668](#)
  - [ISO/IEC CD 25059](#)
  - [ISO/IEC AWI TS 29119-11](#)
  - [ISO/IEC FDIS 38507](#)
  - [ISO/IEC CD 42001](#)
- Information technology — Artificial Intelligence — Assessment of machine learning classification performance
  - Artificial intelligence — Data quality for analytics and machine learning (ML) — Part 1: Overview, terminology and scope
  - Artificial intelligence — Data quality for analytics and machine learning (ML) — Part 2: Data quality management
  - Artificial intelligence — Data quality for analytics and machine learning (ML) — Part 3: Data quality measurement
  - Artificial intelligence — Data quality for analytics and machine learning (ML) — Part 4: Data quality process
  - Artificial intelligence — Data quality for analytics and machine learning (ML) — Part 5: Data quality governance
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — AI system life cycle processes
  - Information Technology — Artificial Intelligence — Guidelines for AI applications
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Reference architecture of knowledge engineering
  - Artificial intelligence — Functional safety and AI systems
  - Artificial intelligence — Quality evaluation guidelines for AI systems
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Objectives and approaches for explainability of ML
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Data life cycle framework
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Controllability of automated artificial intelligence systems
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Treatment of unwanted bias in classification and regression
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Transparency taxonomy of AI systems
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Artificial intelligence concepts and terminology
  - Framework for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Systems Using Machine Learning (ML)
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Risk management
  - Artificial intelligence (AI) — Assessment of the robustness of neural networks — Part 2: Methodology
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence (AI) — Use cases
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Overview of ethical and societal concerns
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Process management framework for big data analytics
  - Software engineering — Systems and software Quality Requirements and Evaluation (SQuaRE) — Quality
  - Information technology — Artificial intelligence — Testing for AI systems — Part 1
  - Information technology — Governance of IT — Governance implications of the use of artificial intelligence
  - Information Technology — Artificial intelligence — Management system



- Access control
- Two-factor authentication
- Encryption



- Network/application firewalls
- Two-factor authentication
- Intrusion detection

- Encryption
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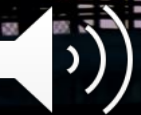
- Performance monitoring
- Disaster recovery
- Security incident handling

- Quality assurance
- Processing monitoring



A silhouette of a construction site at sunset. A crane is lifting a large, dark rectangular panel. The sky is a gradient of orange and pink. Scaffolding and structural beams are visible on both sides of the frame. A worker is visible on a lower level of the structure.

**Regulation  
is made**



**Regulatory science** is the scientific discipline that **evaluates and challenges** current regulation, benefit vs. risk assessments, and submission/approval strategies.

It is the application of the scientific method to enable evidence-based improvements of regulation...

By developing new tools, standards and approaches...  
we can affect and improve safety and efficacy assessments





## Collaborative Communities: Addressing Health Care Challenges Together

### Collaborative Communities with CDRH Participation

The FDA currently participates as a member of these collaborative communities, which have been established and are managed and controlled by external stakeholders.

- [Collaborative Community on Ophthalmic Imaging](#)
- [National Evaluation System for health Technology Coordinating Center \(NESTcc\) Collaborative Community](#)
- [Standardizing Laboratory Practices in Pharmacogenomics Initiative \(STRIPLE\) Collaborative Community](#)
- [International Liquid Biopsy Standardization Alliance \(ILSA\)](#)
- [Xavier Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) World Consortium](#)
- [Case for Quality Collaborative Community](#)
- [Heart Valve Collaboratory \(HVC\)](#)
- [Wound Care Collaborative Community](#)
- [Pathology Innovation Collaborative Community \(PICC\)](#)
- [RESCUE \(REducing SuiCide Rates Amongst IndividUals with DiabEtes\) Collaborative Community](#)

<https://www.fda.gov/about-fda/cdrh-strategic-priorities-and-updates/collaborative-communities-addressing-health-care-challenges-together>





**Pathology  
Innovation  
Collaborative  
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The Alliance for Digital Pathology



[www.pathologyinnovationcc.org](http://www.pathologyinnovationcc.org)





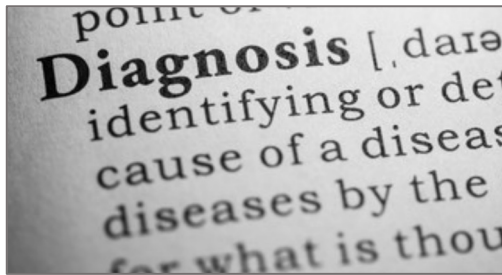


# Pathology Innovation Collaborative Community Plcc

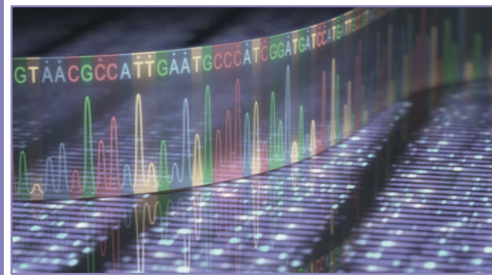
- Regulatory science initiative
- Facilitate Innovation
- Advance safety and effectiveness evaluations
- Harmonize approaches to speed delivery to patients
- Collaboration in the **pre-competitive space**
- Open to all stakeholders

# What's next in Laboratory Medicine

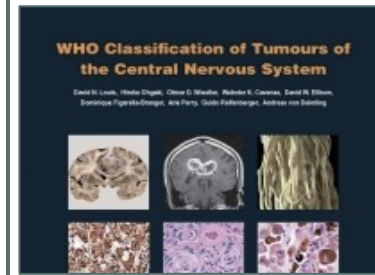
## Diagnosis



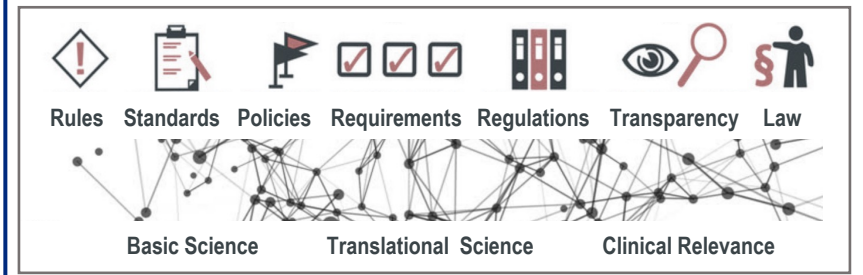
## Technologies



## Data Science



## Regulatory Sciences



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Thank you

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