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### Agenda

*Dr. Goldberg:*

- Early- stage melanoma decision making
- DecisionDx-Melanoma:
  - Answers two important clinical questions
  - Prospective validation data
- DECIDE study introduction

*Dr. Guenther:*

- Review of DECIDE study results as published in *Future Oncology*
- Q&A

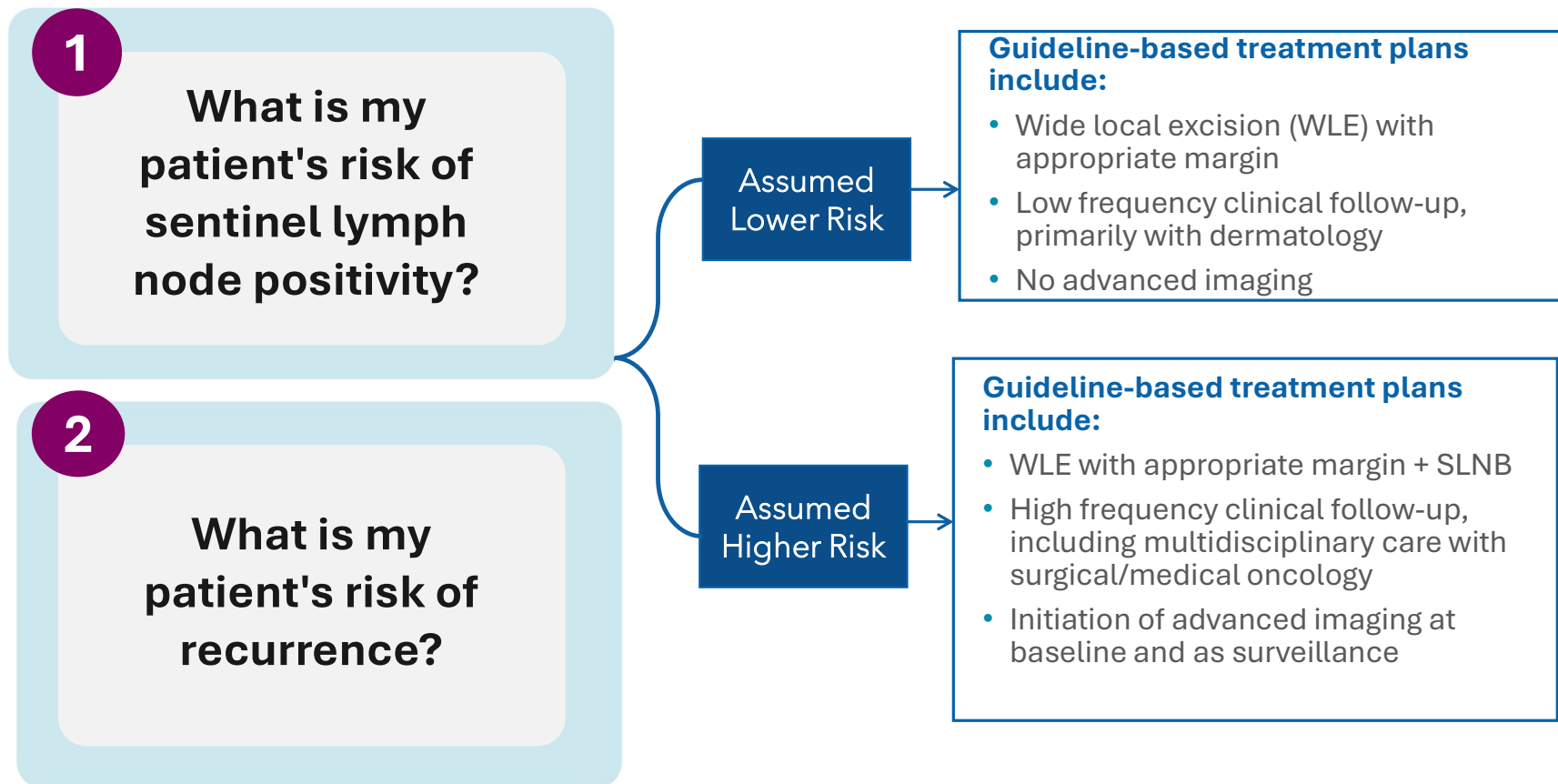
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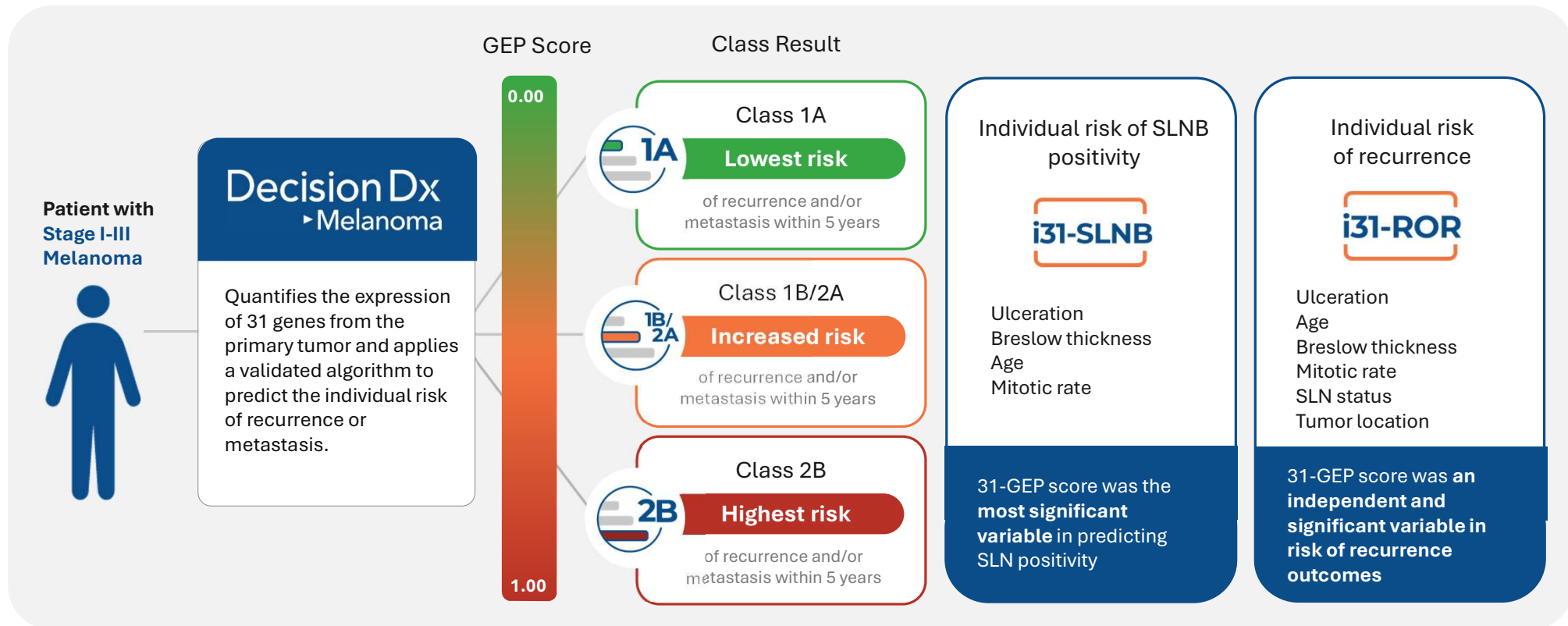
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## Traditionally, staging and clinicopathology factors answer two key treatment questions following diagnosis of cutaneous melanoma



# DecisionDx-Melanoma uses tumor biology to assess a patient's risk

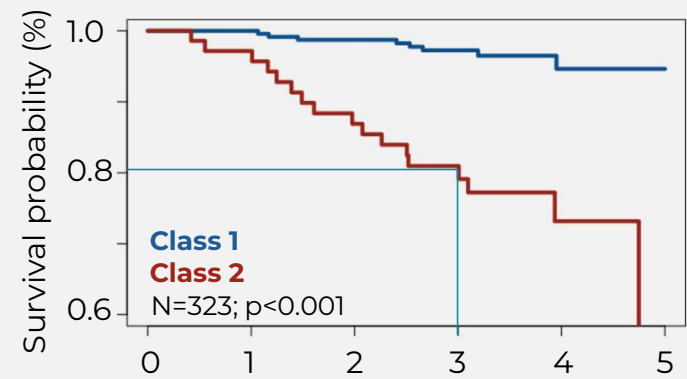
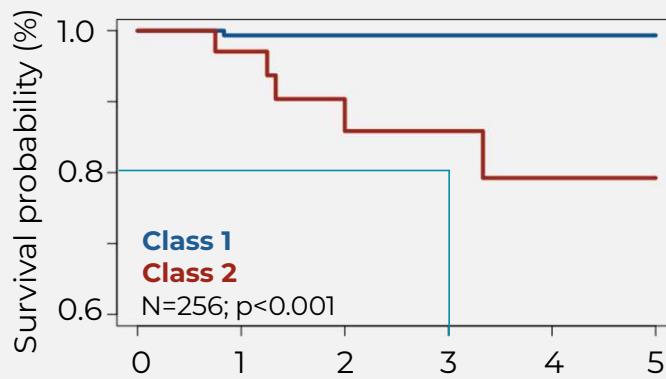
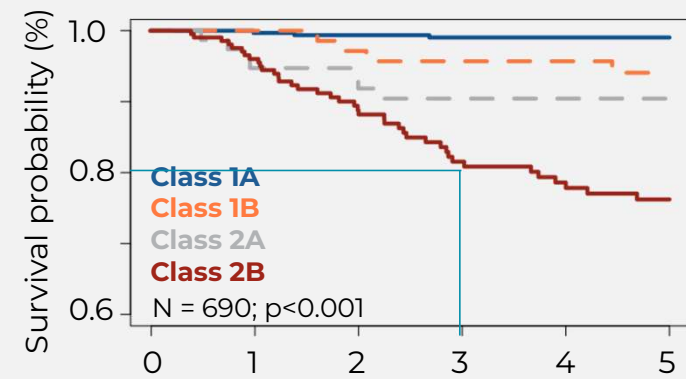


# DecisionDx-Melanoma demonstrates validated risk stratification

Gastman, 2019 - MSS

Greenhaw, 2018 - MSS

Hsueh, 2021 - OS



**Risk stratification across retrospective and prospective studies**

# Patients who receive DecisionDx-Melanoma testing show improved survival compared to those not tested

**32%**

Lower 3-year melanoma-specific mortality rate in patients clinically tested vs untested

Melanoma-specific survival	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	P-value
Untested, 2016-2019	Reference	--
<b>31-GEP tested, 2016-2019</b>	<b>0.68 (0.57-0.81)</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>

## Key takeaways from this data

In a large, real-world cohort of clinically tested stage I-III CM patients, **the 31-GEP effectively stratified mortality risk within AJCC sub-stage groups**

The 31-GEP demonstrated **significant prognostic value for MSS beyond traditional CP factors**

The 31-GEP is the **only GEP test in melanoma associated with improved survival**

## Current guidelines for SLNB patient selection

Stage	SLN+Risk	SLNB Eligible
T1a	<5%	<b>No</b>
T1a-HR*	5-10%	<b>Discuss and Consider</b>
T1b		
T2a		
T2b	>10%	<b>Discuss and Offer</b>
T3		
T4		

Guidelines<sup>†</sup> recommend that the SLNB procedure can be avoided for patients with an expected risk of <5%

**To safely forego the SLNB procedure, any test must demonstrate an ability to predict SLN positivity with a risk of <5%.**

# DecisionDx-Melanoma i31-SLNB result can accurately stratify risk

## Key clinical objectives evaluated in the DECIDE study:

1. Prospectively confirm the performance of the i31-SLNB result in predicting sentinel lymph node (SLN) positivity
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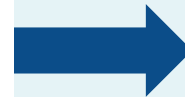
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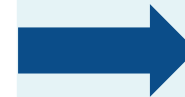
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- Age ≥ 18 years
- Considering SLNB
- Ordering 31-GEP to guide SLNB decision



#### Study visit 2:

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#### Study visit 3:

##### SLNB decision

- SLNB
- No SLNB



#### Track clinical outcomes

- SLN positivity rates
- RFS, DMFS, and MSS outcomes in <5% risk patients

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## > Review of publication data from DECIDE: a prospective, multicenter clinical utility study

Beard T, Guenther JM, Leong SP, et al. The integrated 31-gene expression profile test identifies low-risk patients with cutaneous melanoma who can forego the SLNB procedure: results from a prospective, multicenter trial. *Future Oncol*. Published online March 13, 2026.

doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/14796694.2026.2640227>



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*In a prospective, multicenter study, the test accurately predicts both SLN positivity and identifies low-risk patients who can forgo an SLNB*

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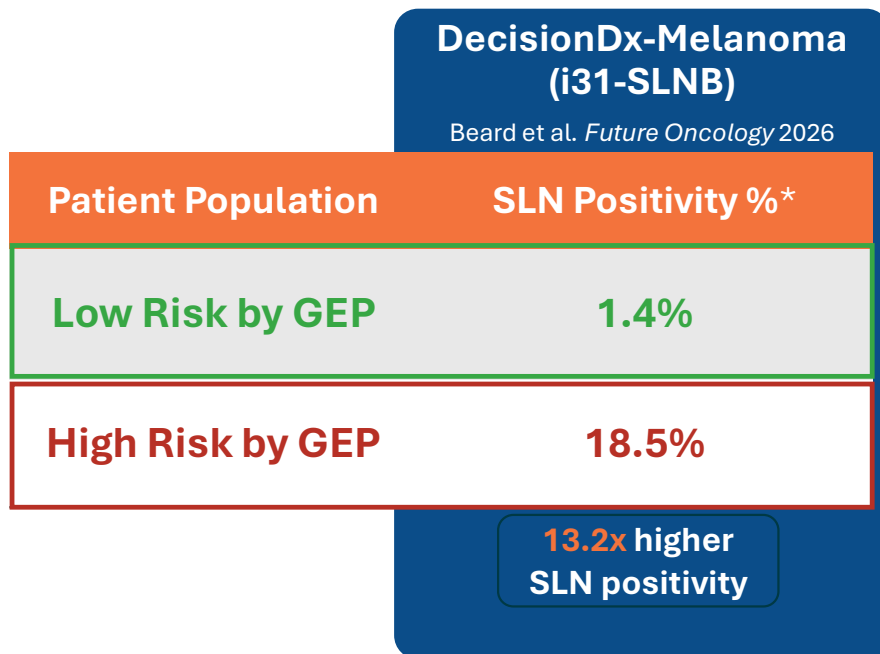
## Patient demographics: n=912

All Patients (n=912)	
Age, years, median (range)	65 (20-90)
Breslow thickness, mm, median (range)	0.8 (0.1-12)
<b>Transected base, n (%)</b>	
Absent <sup>a</sup>	526 (57.7%)
Yes	386 (42.3%)
<b>SLN status assessed, n (%)</b>	
Negative	386 (89.8%)
Positive	44 (10.2%)
<b>SLN not performed, n (%)</b>	
<b>T stage, n (%)</b>	
T1a <sup>b</sup>	335 (36.7%)
T1b	330 (36.2%)
T2a	162 (17.8%)
T2b	24 (2.6%)
T3a	23 (2.5%)
T3b	16 (1.8%)
T4a	7 (0.8%)
T4b	15 (1.6%)

All Patients (n=912)	
<b>Ulceration present</b>	
Absent	814 (89.3%)
Present	82 (9.0%)
Unknown	16 (1.8%)
<b>Mitotic rate (/mm<sup>2</sup>), median (range)</b>	
1 (0-26)	
<b>i31-SLN predicted risk, n (%)</b>	
<5%	474 (52.0%)
5-10%	294 (32.2%)
>10%	144 (15.8%)

# DECIDE Study Results: Predicting SLNB Positivity

A subset analysis of **Stage IB (T1b-T2a)**



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- **Low risk patients** well below the **5% NCCN low-risk threshold**
- **High risk patients** that are **~13x more likely to have a positive node**

# Comparing two prospective SLNB trials (DECIDE vs MERLIN\_001)

A subset analysis of **Stage IB (T1b-T2a)**

	DecisionDx-Melanoma (i31-SLNB) <small>Beard et al. SSO Annual Conference 2026.</small>	CP-GEP <small>Heiken et al., JAMA Surg. 2025</small>
Patient Population	SLN Positivity %*	SLN Positivity %
Low Risk by GEP	1.4%	6.5%
High Risk by GEP	18.5%	18.3%

**13.2x higher  
SLN positivity**

2.8x higher  
SLN positivity

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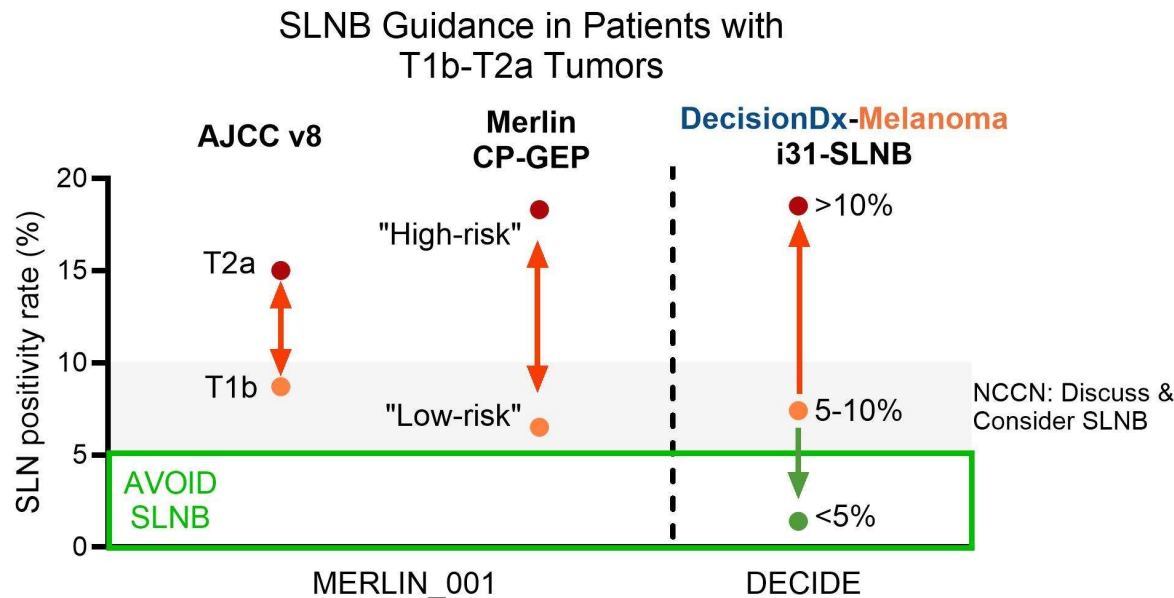
## DECIDE study showed up to 13-fold difference in predicting SLNB positivity rates between lowest and highest categories

SLN positivity rates by i31-SLNB result				
	<5%	5-10%	>10%	Fold Difference <5% vs. >10%
T1-T4 % SLN+	2.6%	7.0%	21.4%	8x higher
T1b-T2a % SLN+	1.4%	7.4%	18.5%	13x higher

**Patients with >10% predicted risk had 8-13x higher SLN positivity**

**Patients with <5% predicted risk had very low SLN positivity**

## DecisionDx-Melanoma can identify patients with T1b-T2a tumors who can avoid a SLNB

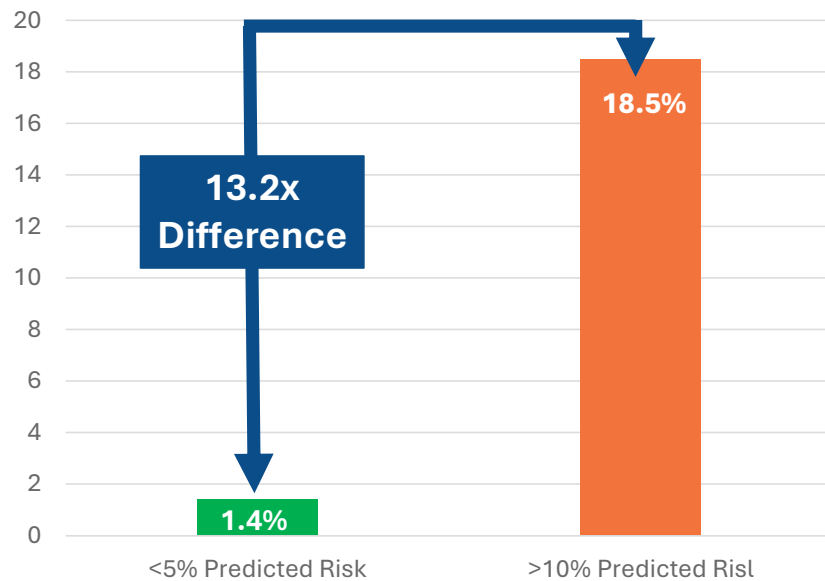


The i31-SLNB result provided superior risk stratification because...

- It can more precisely identify truly **high-risk** patients
  - Patients with an i31-SLNB score >10% have a markedly higher likelihood of SLN positivity.
- It can identify a truly **low-risk (<5%)** population
  - Identifying patients below a <5% SLN-positivity threshold allows clinicians to **confidently consider forgoing SLNB**, rather than placing low risk patients in the “discuss and consider” category

## DecisionDx-Melanoma can accurately predict SLN positivity in T1b-T2a patients

SLN positivity in T1b-T2a melanoma by i31-SLNB risk group



**~13x** higher SLN positivity

in T1b-T2a patients with a >10% predicted risk compared to patients with a <5% predicted risk.

# DecisionDx-Melanoma i31-SLNB can accurately identify low-risk patients who can forgo SLNB than AJCC staging alone

Risk stratification method	False-negative Rate	TN:FN ratio
NCCN SLNB Guidance	5%	19:1
<i>Previously reported combined studies (Prieto et al.)</i>		
CP-GEP T1-T2*	6.2%	15:1
<b>i31-SLNB/31-GEP T1-T2 *</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>34:1</b>
<i>Beard et al. Future Oncol. 2026</i>		
<b>i31-SLNB T1-T4</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	<b>37:1</b>
<b>i31-SLNB T1-T2a</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>55:1</b>

Beard et al. is consistent with prior studies demonstrating that the **DecisionDx-Melanoma i31-SLNB result can accurately identify patients at low risk of SLN positivity compared to the use of AJCC staging and other GEP tests.**

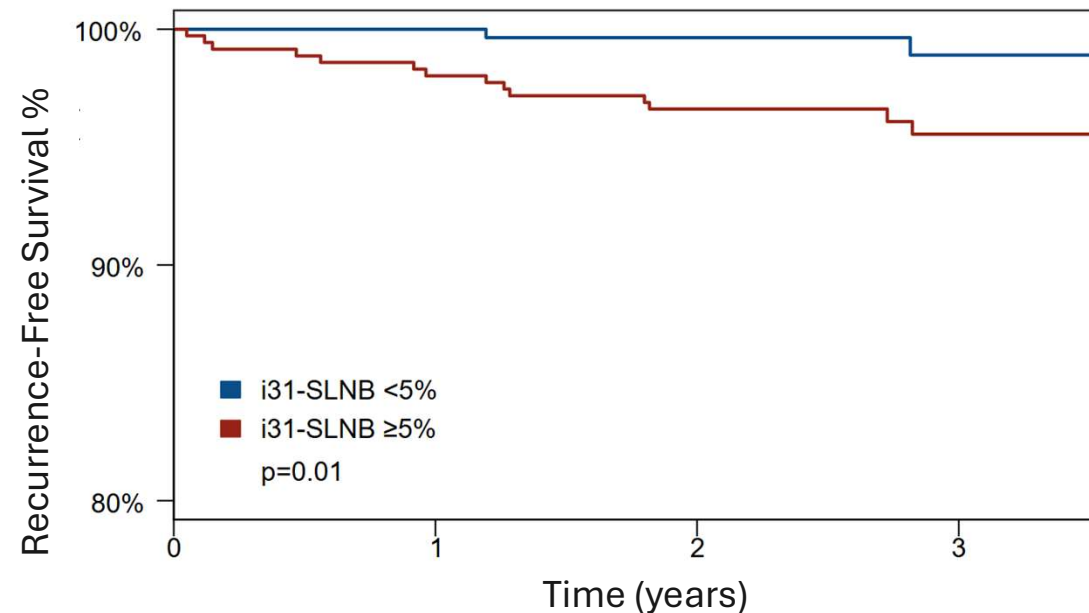
## Patients with a low risk DecisionDx-Melanoma result can forego an SLNB

- Patients with a **low-risk i31-SLNB (<5%)** have a low risk of recurrence
  - n=139\*

**3-year Recurrence Free Survival (RFS) = 97.8%**

- Patients with a **high-risk i31-SLNB (≥5%)** have a higher risk of recurrence
  - n=177

**3-year Recurrence Free Survival (RFS) = 91.1%**



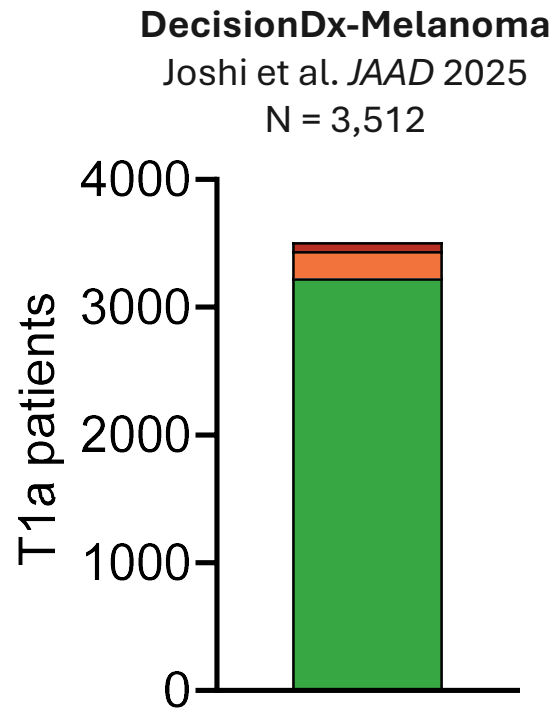
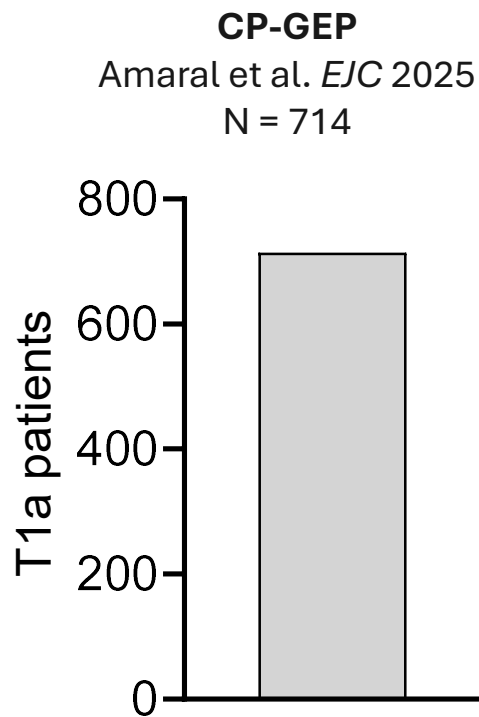
# ➤ Identifying High-Risk Patients in Traditionally Low-Risk Cohorts

## DecisionDx-Melanoma vs CP-GEP: Performance in T1a tumors

Comparing the two largest studies including T1a tumors, DecisionDx-Melanoma identified high-risk patients among T1a tumors and CP-GEP did not.

CP-GEP identified **no patients** with T1a tumors as "**high-risk**"

"Low-risk"	714 (100%)
"High-risk"	0 (0%)



DecisionDx- Melanoma identified **8% of patients as increased or highest risk.**

In T1a high-risk tumors, an **intermediate or high-risk** score is associated with **5.7x higher risk of death\***



\*when compared to Class 1A

## CASE STUDY

# 45-year-old male presented with invasive melanoma



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### FINDINGS

- Breslow depth: 0.4 mm
- Ulceration: Present
- Regression: Present
- Mitotic rate: <1mm<sup>2</sup>
- Stage IB (T1b)

### MANAGEMENT PLAN

Before GEP testing, the clinician would have followed NCCN guidelines for Stage IB (T1b): Refer for SLNB consult; surgery (i.e. WLE). SLNB result to guide decisions about possible adjuvant therapy.

### RATIONALE FOR ORDERING GEP

- Given the patient's thin, ulcerated melanoma (Stage IB, T1b), clinicopathologic factors alone provide limited ability to estimate metastatic risk. The patient fell into the 5-10% SLN+ Risk "discuss and consider" category for SLNB per NCCN guidelines.
- DecisionDx-Melanoma was ordered to provide additional biologic risk stratification, refining risk of metastasis and SLNB positivity beyond clinicopathologic features alone.

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**FINAL REPORT**

Patient:	Specimen ID:
Sex:	Collected:
DOB:	Received:
Client:	Reported:
Provider:	Tumor Site:
Breslow Thickness:	Binned Tumor Location:
Age (years):	Nodal Status:
Ulceration:	Mitotic Rate (/mm <sup>2</sup> ):

**Class 2B**  
GEP score = 0.91

<b>i31-ROR</b>	<b>i31-SLNB</b>
<b>MSS: 96.1%</b>	<b>19.0%</b>
<b>DMFS: 91.1%</b>	
<b>RFS: 88.8%</b>	

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**i31-ROR** Risk Estimates for **SLNB Positive Patients** (5-year AJCC Stage III)

**MSS: 93.0%** **DMFS: 82.1%** **RFS: 78.8%**

### IMPACT TO PATIENT CARE

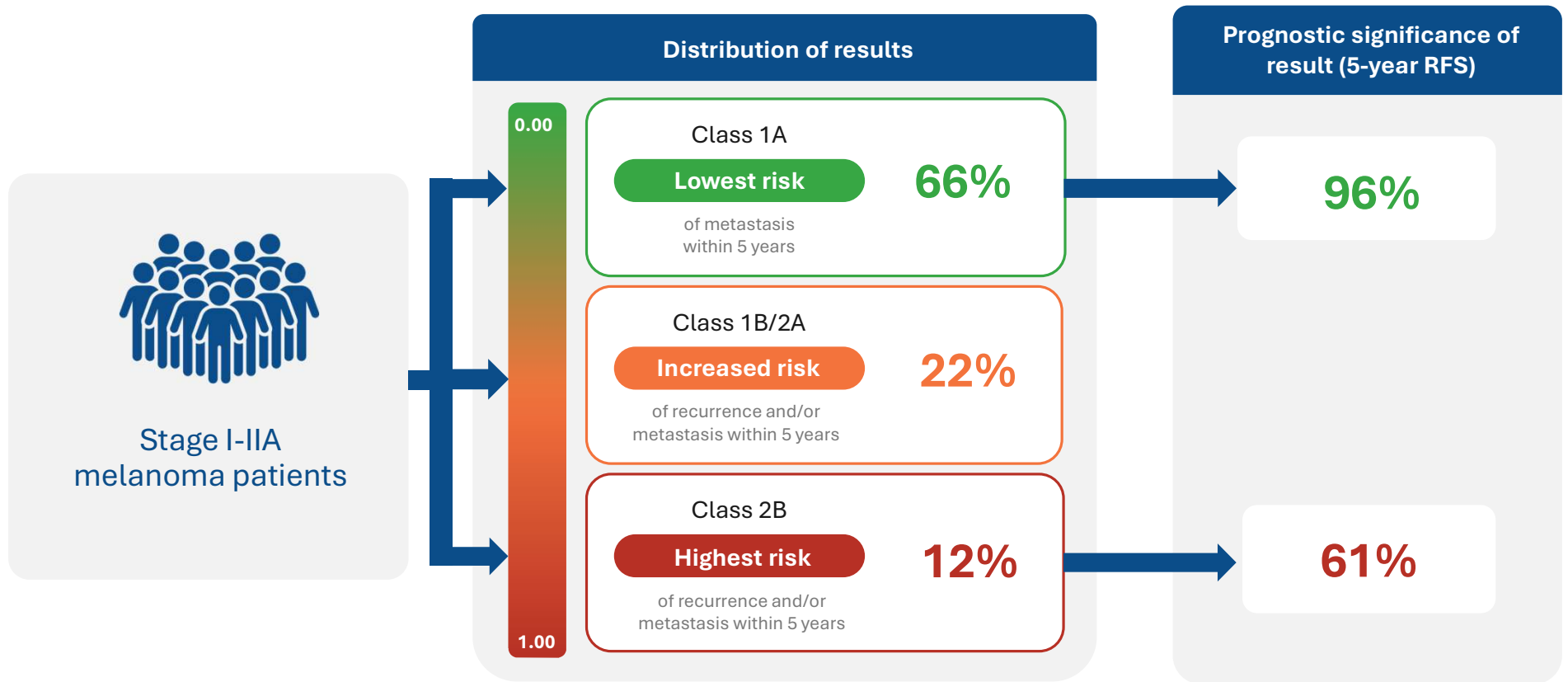
#### After DecisionDx-Melanoma results

- DecisionDx-Melanoma returned Class 2B (GEP score 0.91), indicating the highest 5-year biologic risk for recurrence and metastasis despite the thin tumor. The i31-SLNB result predicted a 19.0% likelihood of SLNB positivity.
- These results supported a more aggressive clinical approach, reinforcing the decision to pursue SLNB and closer surveillance.

### OUTCOME

- SLNB initially demonstrated 1/6 nodes with melanophages, later interpreted as negative on outside pathology review. The patient was lost to follow-up but later re-presented with left axillary adenopathy. After two cycles of immunotherapy, ALND revealed 1/16 nodes positive for melanoma, confirming nodal metastatic disease.
- This case highlights how DecisionDx-Melanoma provides additional biologic insight in thin melanomas traditionally considered lower risk, helping inform more individualized surveillance and guide SLNB referral decisions.

# DecisionDx-Melanoma provides significant risk-stratification to inform management decisions



## Prospective data confirm that DecisionDx-Melanoma i31-SLNB result improves SLNB decision-making and supports favorable patient outcomes

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### Accurate risk stratification

Low-risk test results are associated with very low SLNB positive outcomes.

2

### Confidence in clinical decision-making

The i31-SLNB gives physicians greater confidence in identifying which patients can avoid SLNB.

3

### Favorable patient outcomes

Patients with a <5% i31-SLNB result have high recurrence-free survival (97.8%) at 3 years

## Q&A

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> Thank You



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# DecisionDx-Melanoma

Provides comprehensive, personalized, genomic tumor information to guide management for patients with cutaneous melanoma

## Clinical Validity, Utility and Demonstrated Patient Outcomes

Demonstrated clinical validity, utility and impact, backed by 58 peer-reviewed publications, including two publications (Bailey et al. 2023 and Dhillon et al. 2023) demonstrating an association with testing and improved patient outcomes

## SLNB Guidance and Patient Outcomes<sup>1,2</sup>

DecisionDx-Melanoma successfully identified patients with T1 tumors with a low risk of SLN positivity who can safely forgo SLNB while maintaining high survival rates in a prospective multicenter study and can reduce SLNB-associated complications and healthcare costs.

1. Marks, The i31-GEP identifies patients with T1 cutaneous melanoma who can safely avoid sentinel lymph node biopsy: Results from a prospective, multicenter study. Video abstract presented at: 2024 American Society for Dermatologic Surgery (ASDS) Annual Meeting; 2. Guenther JM, et al. Patients who forego sentinel lymph node biopsy after 31-GEP testing are not harmed: A prospective, multicenter analysis. Poster presented at: 20th European Association of Dermato-Oncology (EADO) Congress; 3. Dillon et al. 2022; 4. Data as of December 31, 2025; 5. U.S. TAM = Total addressable market based on estimated patient population assuming average reimbursement rate among all payors.

SLN(B)=sentinel lymph node (biopsy)

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**50%**

demonstrated change in management for 1 of 2 patients tested<sup>3</sup>

**~231,900**

patients with a clinical DecisionDx-Melanoma order from ~16,700 clinicians<sup>4</sup>

**~\$540M**

Estimated U.S. TAM<sup>5</sup>