

## **Put It on the Board, 8/16**

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August 2016—LabCorp will acquire Sequenom; New York ends state PT services; St. Jude lands CAP ISO 15189 accreditation; Epigenomics' DNA test included in CRC guideline; OSU to deploy Inspirata digital pathology solution; Mindray's clinical chemistry analyzer cleared; Successful Keytruda trial stopped early; Top court clarifies autopsy's place in Texas law; EUA for Siemens Zika assay



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## **myChoice HRD increases eligible patients, 8/16**

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August 2016—Myriad Genetics announced that its myChoice HRD test successfully identified an increased number of patients with ovarian cancer who may benefit from treatment with niraparib, an investigational oral PARP inhibitor being developed by Tesaro. The announcement follows results of the NOVA study, which evaluated the safety and efficacy of niraparib as a maintenance therapy in more than 500 patients with recurrent ovarian cancer.



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## **Blood collection device, 8/16**

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August 2016—Streck's Cell-Free DNA BCT, for the collection and preservation of whole blood samples, is available as a 2.0 mL draw tube. The formaldehyde-free preservative reagent contained in Cell-Free DNA BCT inhibits nuclease-mediated degradation of cf-DNA and stabilizes nucleated blood cells, which prevents the release of cellular genomic DNA. Samples are stable for up to 14 days at temperatures between 6°-37°C, allowing convenient sample collection, transport, and storage.



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## **Liquid biopsy PD-L1 test, 8/16**

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August 2016—Biocept launched its CLIA-validated PD-L1 protein expression test, which uses Biocept's proprietary, patented Target Selector platform with circulating tumor cells from a patient's blood sample and can be used to detect and monitor PD-L1 protein expression throughout the course of a patient's cancer therapy.



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## **FISH slide hybridizer, 8/16**

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August 2016—Boekel Scientific introduced its RapidFISH slide hybridizer designed to simplify fluorescence in situ hybridization procedures for formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissue samples, cell suspensions, and other tissue preparation procedures. The RapidFISH has a self-clamping slide tray design that maintains the required humidity and has an easy-to-use control system for temperature, time, and controlled temperature steps.



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## **Ergonomically designed microscope, 8/16**

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August 2016—The Olympus BX46 microscope's specially designed ergonomic features aim to provide enhanced operator comfort during long hours of use.



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## **Gross room lab tray, 8/16**

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August 2016—Safety-Spec, a pathologist-owned company, has announced that the Gross Room Lab Tray is available for order on its website, Safety-Spec.com. Designed by a pathologist and laboratory scientist, the tray provides improved specimen organization in the gross room queue, resulting in increased efficiency and patient safety by reducing the potential for misidentification of specimens from a patient (intra-accession mislabeling) as well as misidentification between patients (inter-accession mislabeling).



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## **[Studies cite utility of molecular cancer classification test, 8/16](#)**

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August 2016—A study published in Oncotarget (Brachtel EF, et al. Epub ahead of print March 28, 2016) demonstrates the high accuracy and success rate of Biotheranostics' CancerType ID molecular cancer classifier in the diagnosis of cancer for specimens with limited tissue. Results from the study support additional clinical utility for CancerType ID in small biopsy and cytology cases.



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## **[D-dimer test kit, 8/16](#)**

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August 2016—LGC Maine Standards announced its Validate D-Dimer calibration verification/linearity test kit has received 510(k) clearance for use on Instrumentation Laboratory’s ACL TOP hemostasis test systems. The kit evaluates D-dimer in a human-plasma base matrix, is prepared using the CLSI recommended “equal delta” method for linearity testing, and is liquid, ready to use.



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## [SeraCare and NIST partner, 8/16](#)

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August 2016—SeraCare Life Sciences and the U.S. Department of Commerce National Institute of Standards and Technology have signed a three-year cooperative research and development agreement (CRADA) to advance the development of circulating tumor DNA diagnostic assay reference standard materials.



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